

## Preface

This is the 52nd edition of the *Nebraska Blue Book* since it was first published in 1899. The book has been published biennially in odd-numbered years since 1919.

The *Blue Book* details the structure of federal, state and local government in Nebraska and includes biographies of elected officials and judges. The book also contains constitutional, historical and statistical information about Nebraska, as well as information about the state's geography, economy, people and culture. The information was obtained through research and from information provided by various agencies and individuals. Information was accurate as of Jan. 1, 2015.

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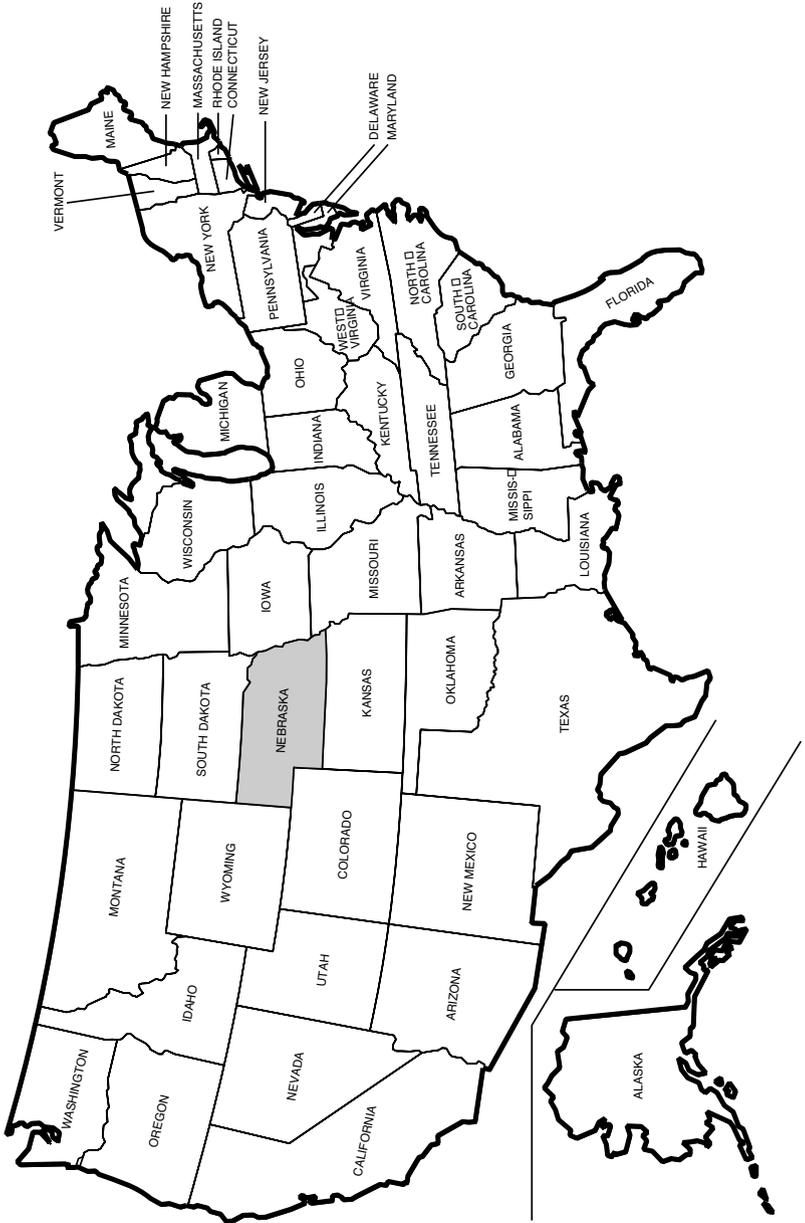
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<sup>2</sup> Agencies not subject to the governor's direct control.



**NEBRASKA:  
THE CORNHUSKER STATE**

Nebraska: The Cornhusker State





# NEBRASKA

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## The Cornhusker State

Early explorers once described Nebraska and the surrounding area as a “Great Desert.” Little did they realize that the state would later become a breadbasket for the nation and much of the world.

The pioneers who settled Nebraska in the late 1800s deserve much of the credit for transforming the state from a land considered unfit for cultivation to an agricultural oasis. Promised free land by the federal government under the 1862 Homestead Act, farmers stubbornly fought economic hardships, droughts and insects. In later years, scientific farming methods and irrigation dramatically increased farmers’ yields and brought prosperity to the state. Today, Nebraska ranks among the leading states in many agricultural production categories.<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup>See table of Nebraska agricultural rankings on Page 466.

## Nebraska At A Glance<sup>2</sup>

**Location:** North-central United States. Bordered by South Dakota on the north, Iowa and Missouri on the east, Kansas on the south, and Colorado and Wyoming on the west

**Elevation:** Highest point, 5,424 feet (1,654 meters), in Kimball County. Lowest point, 840 feet (256 meters), in Richardson County

**Area** (Land and Water): 77,358 square miles (200,358 square kilometers); 16th largest state

**Population:** 1,868,516 (2013 estimate); 37th largest state

**Attained Statehood:** March 1, 1867 (37th state)

**Origin of Name:** From Oto Indian word “Nebrathka,” meaning “flat water” (the tribe’s name for the Platte River, which crosses the state)

**Nickname:** Cornhusker State (from the method of harvesting or “husking” corn by hand)

**Motto:** “Equality Before the Law”

**Capital:** Lincoln

**Largest City:** Omaha

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### Notable facts about Nebraska include:

The American Institute of Architects declared Nebraska’s State Capitol to be one of the modern architectural wonders of the world.

- The U.S. Strategic Command, which manages the nation’s nuclear forces in order to deter military attacks on the United States, has its headquarters at Offutt Air Force Base near Bellevue.
- Nebraska has the western hemisphere’s largest area of sandhill grasslands, one of the most productive cattle-raising areas in the United States.
- Nebraska was the home or birthplace of William Jennings Bryan, George Norris, Willa Cather, Mari Sandoz, John Neihardt, John J. Pershing, Edward J. Flanagan, William “Buffalo Bill” Cody, Henry Fonda, Johnny Carson, Dick Cavett, Darryl F. Zanuck, Marlon Brando, Fred Astaire, Malcolm X and Gerald Ford.
- Many pioneer and cattle trails crossed Nebraska, with people using such landmarks as Scotts Bluff (now a national monument) and Chimney Rock, both in western Nebraska. Chimney Rock was the landmark mentioned most frequently in journal entries by travelers on the Oregon Trail.

<sup>2</sup>Sources: *Statistical Abstract of the United States*, Bureau of the Census, U.S. Department of Commerce; *The Nebraska Databook*, Nebraska Department of Economic Development; “*Nebraska: The Good Life, and More*,” The NEBRASKAland Foundation Inc., 1998; University of Nebraska State Museum; Nebraska State Historical Society; *Lincoln Journal Star*.

## NEBRASKA'S STATE SYMBOLS<sup>3</sup>

### State Seal and State Motto

The Nebraska Constitution provides for a state seal that is to be kept by the secretary of state and used by him or her officially as directed by law. Legislation creating the original state seal was passed in 1867.

The seal's design is as follows: On the right, a steamboat is ascending the Missouri River. The Rocky Mountains are on the left. In the background, a train of cars is heading toward the Rocky Mountains. The mechanic arts are represented by a smith with hammer and anvil. Agriculture is represented by a settler's cabin and sheaves of wheat. In the top of the circle is the state motto: "Equality Before the Law." The circle is surrounded with the words, "Great Seal of the State of Nebraska, March 1st, 1867."



### State Flag

Nebraska's state flag was designated by legislative action in 1925. It consists of a reproduction of the state seal, charged on the center in gold and silver on a field of national blue.

State law says no part of the state flag is to be used as a business advertisement or trademark, and insulting the flag is forbidden. State law also requires the flag to be displayed under or to the left of the U.S. flag on or near the State Capitol, the governor's mansion, all courthouses, city or village halls, schoolhouses and other public administrative buildings.

The original flag is displayed in the Office of the Secretary of State in the Capitol. A historical scrapbook about the flag, compiled by Mrs. B.C. Miller of Crete, is on microfilm at the Nebraska State Historical Society.



<sup>3</sup>Except where noted, sources for state symbol information are: Nebraska State Historical Society; Nebraska Game and Parks Commission; Conservation and Survey Division, University of Nebraska-Lincoln; Nebraska Secretary of State's Office; Nebraska Governor's Office.

## State Name

Nebraska has had two official state names: the “Tree Planters’ State” and the “Cornhusker State.”

Nebraska was designated the “Tree Planters’ State” by legislative action in 1895. Nebraska’s claim to tree-planting fame includes the founding of Arbor Day in 1872 by J. Sterling Morton of Nebraska City, the Timber Culture Act of U.S. Sen. Phineas W. Hitchcock in 1873 and the millions of trees planted by early settlers as windbreaks, woodlots and orchards.

The 1945 Legislature changed the official state name to the “Cornhusker State,” thus repealing the 1895 act. The name is derived from the nickname for the University of Nebraska athletic teams, the Cornhuskers. The term “cornhusker” comes from the method of harvesting or “husking” corn by hand, which was common before the invention of husking machinery.

## State Flower

The goldenrod (*Solidago serotina*) was declared the state flower by legislative action in 1895. Numerous species of goldenrod grow throughout the state. The goldenrod is an erect, coarse-looking perennial herb that is usually about two or three feet tall. The small flower heads, which are almost always yellow but sometimes have cream-colored or white rays, are grouped into either elongated or flattish clusters. The flowers appear from July through October.



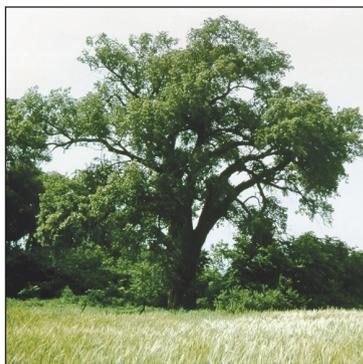
## State Bird

The western meadowlark (*Sturnella neglecta*) was designated the state bird by legislative action in 1929. The western meadowlark is abundant throughout the state and is noted for its joyous song. The birds are eight to 11 inches long and are brown and streaked above, with bright yellow underparts interrupted by a bold crescent of black across the upper breast and white outer tail feathers. The birds nest on the ground in grassy fields or meadows and feed largely on insects.



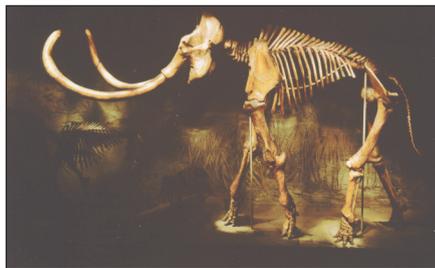
## State Tree

The American elm (*Ulmus Americana L.*) was named Nebraska's first state tree in 1937, but the 1972 Legislature named the cottonwood (*Populus deltoides*) as the state tree. The cottonwood often is associated with pioneer Nebraska. Several famous early landmarks were cottonwood trees, and their shoots often were collected by settlers who planted them on their claims. Today, the cottonwood grows throughout the state.



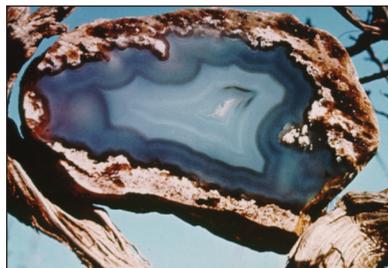
## State Fossil

The mammoth was named Nebraska's state fossil by legislative action in 1967. Various species of the mammoth crossed the Bering Strait land bridge and spread throughout most of North America. Mammoths were elephants, but some were larger than the modern elephant. Early prehistoric people hunted the mammoth and found the animal's ivory tusks useful in making tools and realistic etchings. Mammoth remains have been found in most Nebraska counties. One mammoth found in Lincoln County, *Archidiskodon imperator maibeni*, was one of the world's largest elephant fossils. It is displayed in the University of Nebraska State Museum in Lincoln.



## State Gemstone

Blue chalcedony, commonly called the blue agate, was named Nebraska's state gemstone by legislative action in 1967. A pale stone, blue chalcedony sometimes has a dark internal form with bands of blue and white and often has a colorless streak. Blue agates often are used to make jewelry. The blue agate can be found in northwestern Nebraska, where it formed in wind-blown silt and claystone deposited in the Chadron Formation of Oligocene Age.



## State Rock

The prairie agate was declared the Nebraska state rock by legislative action in 1967. Agate is a semiprecious stone, and Nebraska has an abundance of it, especially in the Oglala National Grassland. Agate is a variegated quartz noted for its layered varieties. In most specimens, the bands are coarse and differ in color and translucency, as well as in compactness and porosity. The prairie



agate, distinguished from most other agates because it seldom has these bands, is still colorful, has a rounded irregular shape and is popular for jewelry.

Prairie agate is not native to Nebraska. It formed in sedimentary rocks in Wyoming and South Dakota and subsequently eroded from these deposits and was carried into Nebraska by streams.

## State Grass

Little bluestem (*Schizachyrium scoparium*) was designated the official state grass by legislative action in 1969. Little bluestem, a vigorous native prairie grass, grows throughout the Great Plains and beyond. In central and western Nebraska, it grows in bunches and is sometimes called “bunch grass.” In some areas, it also is known as “beard grass.” The grass is an important native hay and forage grass.



## State Insect

The honeybee (*Apis mellifera*) was named the official Nebraska state insect by legislative action in 1975. Honey production is a \$3.1 million industry in Nebraska. In 2006, according to the National Agricultural Statistics Service, there were about 47,000 colonies of honeybees in the state producing more than 3 million pounds of honey.



## State Soil

The 1979 Legislature designated the official state soil to be soils of the Holdrege series, classified as *Typic Argiustolls*, which are slightly to moderately alkaline and fine-silty in texture. The mean average temperature of Holdrege series soil ranges from 50 to 56 degrees Fahrenheit. The mean average precipitation ranges from 18 to 24 inches per year. Holdrege soils are ideal for growing crops such as sorghum, wheat and corn. This soil is most commonly found in south-central Nebraska and north-central Kansas.



## State Mammal

The 1981 Legislature designated the white-tailed deer (*Odocoileus virginianus*) as the state mammal. The white-tailed deer is a herbivorous hoofed mammal found in farmlands, brushy areas and woods. If alarmed, this deer raises its tail, exhibiting a conspicuous flash of white that can communicate danger to other deer or help a fawn to follow its mother in flight. The feeding habits of white-tailed deer are flexible: they graze on green plants; eat acorns, nuts and corn in the fall; and browse on woody vegetation in the winter. White-tailed deer hunting is a popular recreational activity in Nebraska.



## State Fish

On Sept. 13, 1997, Gov. Ben Nelson declared the channel catfish (*Ictalurus punctatus*) to be the official state fish. The channel catfish is a popular sport fish that often is used for food. It has distinctive barbels or “whiskers” that are covered with taste buds. Its diet consists of aquatic insects, crayfish, fish, frogs and plant material. Channel catfish spawn during summer in cavities created by tree roots or rocks and often defend their nests.



## State American Folk Dance

On Sept. 19, 1997, Gov. Ben Nelson declared the square dance to be the official state American folk dance. Square dancing developed as the nation progressed toward the west. It became a popular diversion from the hardships settlers faced. Square dancing is called, cued or prompted to dancers. Related forms include round dancing, clogging, contra dancing and line dancing.<sup>4</sup>



## State Ballad

On Oct. 9, 1997, Gov. Ben Nelson declared “A Place Like Nebraska” to be the official state ballad. Sol Kutler composed the words and music.

A Place Like Nebraska  
 When I dream of my home  
 And the good folks I've known  
 I'm glad I've grown up  
 In Nebraska

'Cause the good life is there  
 With sun and fresh air  
 And neighbors who care  
 In Nebraska

Wherever you go, they all want to know  
 And someday someone will ask ya  
 So turn on your smile  
 Tell them life is worthwhile  
 When you're bred and corn-fed in Nebraska

With cool winding streams  
 And good football teams  
 And jobs that are there for the asking

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<sup>4</sup> Source: Nebraska State Square and Round Dance Association.

With daughters and sons  
 Some real famous ones  
 All proud to be called a Nebraskan

'Cause wherever you go, they all want to know  
 And someday someone will ask ya  
 So turn on your smile  
 Tell them life is worthwhile  
 When you come from a place like Nebraska

A soft falling snow  
 A warm fire's glow  
 And a lifetime of memories to last ya

Of a cool summer's breeze  
 And bright autumn leaves  
 Each season a joy in Nebraska

So wherever you go, you just let them know  
 'Cause someday someone will ask ya  
 So turn on your smile  
 Tell them life is worthwhile  
 When you come from a place called Nebraska

## **State Historic Baseball Capital**

On Oct. 9, 1997, Gov. Ben Nelson declared St. Paul to be the official historic baseball capital of Nebraska.

## **State Baseball Capital**

On Oct. 9, 1997, Gov. Ben Nelson declared Wakefield to be the official baseball capital of Nebraska.

## **State Village of Lights**

On Dec. 11, 1997, Gov. Ben Nelson declared Cody to be Nebraska's official Village of Lights.

## **State River**

On Feb. 26, 1998, Gov. Ben Nelson declared the Platte River to be the official state river. The Platte, formed by the junction of the North Platte and South Platte rivers near the city of North Platte, flows east through central Nebraska into the Missouri River. The stream is 310 miles (500 kilometers) long.

The Platte is too shallow for navigation, but it is an important source of water for farm irrigation, municipal and industrial uses, recreation and hydroelectric power production. The river also provides habitat for sandhill cranes, other migratory birds, fish and other wildlife.

The Platte River valley has been an important east-west human transportation corridor throughout history. The Oregon, Mormon and California trails, the Pony Express route, the Union Pacific transcontinental railroad, the first transcontinental paved highway (U.S. Highway 30) and Interstate 80 all have followed the Platte.



**Platte River in Early Spring**

## **State Soft Drink**

On May 21, 1998, Gov. Ben Nelson declared Kool-Aid to be the official state soft drink. The fruit-flavored drink was developed in Hastings in 1927 by Edwin E. Perkins, founder and president of the Perkins Products Co.<sup>5</sup>

## **State Beverage**

On Sept. 10, 1998, Gov. Ben Nelson declared milk to be the official state beverage. The dairy industry is an important part of Nebraska's agricultural economy.

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<sup>5</sup> Source: Adams County Historical Society.

## State Poet Laureate<sup>6</sup>

The 1921 Legislature named John G. Neihardt (1881-1973) as Poet Laureate of Nebraska. Neihardt's first book of poetry was published in 1908. In 1912, he began writing "The Epic Cycle of the West," consisting of five long narrative poems, and this became his chief literary work. These poems are Neihardt's substantial and unique contribution to the history of Nebraska and the West.



## State Poet<sup>7</sup>

Twyla Hansen was named Nebraska's second state poet by proclamation of Gov. Dave Heineman on Nov. 14, 2013. Hansen is the first woman to hold the post, which had been vacant since the death of William Kloefkorn in 2011. Raised on a farm near Lyons in northeast Nebraska, Hansen received an undergraduate degree in horticulture and a master's degree in agroecology from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. Hansen has published extensively and received numerous awards and honors for her poetry, including the High Plains Book Award and the WILLA Literary Award. She also has twice received the Nebraska Book Award. Hansen,

who lives in Lincoln, was appointed to the position for a five-year term.

## U.S. Poet Laureate

The Library of Congress named Garland resident Ted Kooser the U.S. Poet Laureate for 2004-06. Kooser is the author of 12 poetry collections, including "Delights and Shadows," which won the 2005 Pulitzer Prize, "Weather Central" and "Flying at Night." He also has published three books of prose, including "Local Wonders; Seasons in the Bohemian Alps." Kooser has won many honors and awards, including four honorary doctorate degrees and two fellowships from the National Endowment for the Arts. Ground-breaking for the Ted Kooser Elementary School in Lincoln was held in April 2008. Kooser is Presidential Professor of English at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

## State Song

The 1967 Legislature declared "Beautiful Nebraska," composed by Jim Fras, to be the state's official song.

<sup>6</sup>The title "poet laureate" remains with Neihardt. For more information and a photograph of Neihardt, see his Nebraska Hall of Fame listing on Page 72.

<sup>7</sup> Source: Twyla Hansen.

# State Song<sup>8</sup>

## *Beautiful Nebraska*

The Official Nebraska State Song

Words by JIM FRAS  
and GUY G. MILLER

Music by JIM FRAS

**Moderato** *mf* **F** **Cdim.**

Voice: Beau - ti - ful Ne - bra - ska.

**INTRODUCTION**  
**Moderato** *mf*

Piano

*9m* **C7** **Dm** **A7** **B<sup>b</sup>** **B<sup>2</sup>m**

peace-ful prai-rie land. Laced with ma-ny ri-vers and the hills of sand: Dark green val-leys

**F** **A7** **Dm** *97* **C7** **F** **Cdim.**

cra-dled in the earth. Rain and sun-shine bring a - bun-dant birth. Beau-ti - ful Ne - bra - ska.

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$g^m$  C7 Dm A7  
 as you look a - round, You will find a rain - bow rea - ching to the ground;

$B^b$   $B^b m$  F A7 Dm  $g^m$  C7 F  
 All these won - ders by the Mas - ter's hand; Beau - ti - ful Ne - bra - ska land.

F7 F7 or Aug.  $B^b$   $B^b$   
 We are so proud of this state where we live.

NEBRASKA: THE CORNHUSKER STATE

97 97 97 C7

There is no place that has so much to give.

*f* Cdim. *gm* C7 Dm A7

Beau-ti-ful Ne-bra-ska, as you look a-round, you will find a rain-bow rea-ching to the grou

Bb Bbm F A7 Dm *gm* C7 F

All these won-ders by the Mas-ter's hand. Beau-ti-ful Ne-bra-ska land.

## SPECIAL DAYS IN NEBRASKA

### Arbor Day<sup>9</sup>

Arbor Day is a nationally celebrated observance that encourages tree planting and tree care. The first Arbor Day was celebrated in Nebraska in 1872, in response to a state proclamation urging settlers and homesteaders to plant trees that would provide shade, shelter, fruit, fuel and beauty for residents of the largely treeless plains. On that first Arbor Day, more than 1 million trees were planted in Nebraska.

The Arbor Day idea was promoted by J. Sterling Morton, editor of the *Nebraska City News*. He later helped the idea spread to neighboring states and eventually to all U.S. states and many other nations.

Today, Arbor Day celebrations are held all over the United States, with the date determined by the best tree planting times in each area. In Nebraska, Arbor Day is observed on the last Friday in April, which is also when National Arbor Day is observed. The Arbor Day Foundation, which encourages tree planting and environmental stewardship, has its headquarters in Morton's hometown of Nebraska City.

To learn more about the foundation and how to celebrate Arbor Day, visit [www.arborday.org](http://www.arborday.org).



### Other Special Days<sup>10</sup>

**George W. Norris Day:** Jan. 5, to honor the longtime Nebraska politician.

**State Day:** March 1, the day Nebraska joined the Union in 1867.

**Thomas Jefferson Memorial Day:** April 13, to honor the U.S. president.

**Workers Memorial Day:** April 28, in remembrance of the courage and integrity of U.S. workers.

**State Fire Day:** Friday before Fire Recognition Day in May, to call public attention to the great damage that fire causes to life and property.

**Fire Recognition Day:** Second Saturday in May. Exercises appropriate for the subject and day may be conducted by any fire department.

<sup>9</sup> Source: Arbor Day Foundation.

<sup>10</sup> Source: Nebraska Revised Statutes.

**Pioneers' Memorial Day:** Second Sunday in June, in recognition of those who served and sacrificed as pioneers in the settlement of Nebraska.

**Nebraska Czech Day:** First Sunday in August. The date coincides with the annual Czech Festival at Wilber, which has been designated the Czech capital of Nebraska and the United States.

**John G. Neihardt Day:** First Sunday in August, to honor the writer and Nebraska poet laureate.

**Howard's Day:** Sept. 2, the birthday of John Howard, author of prison reform throughout the world. Observed in the state's correctional institutions.

**American Indian Day:** Fourth Monday in September, to honor the first residents of Nebraska and recognize their contributions to the state.

**Pulaski's Memorial Day:** Oct. 11, to commemorate the death of Revolutionary War hero Casimir Pulaski. The brigadier general died of wounds suffered in the siege of Savannah, Ga., on Oct. 11, 1779.

**White Cane Safety Day:** Oct. 15, to recognize the importance of the white cane as a symbol of independence for blind people and to remind citizens of the need to keep streets, sidewalks and other public places safe and functional for people with disabilities.

## Legal Holidays in Nebraska

New Year's Day .....	Jan. 1
Martin Luther King Jr. Day .....	Third Monday in January
Presidents' Day .....	Third Monday in February
Arbor Day .....	Last Friday in April
Memorial Day .....	Last Monday in May
Independence Day .....	July 4
Labor Day .....	First Monday in September
Columbus Day .....	Second Monday in October
Veterans Day .....	Nov. 11
Thanksgiving Day .....	Fourth Thursday in November
Day After Thanksgiving .....	Friday after Fourth Thursday in November
Christmas Day .....	Dec. 25

## LAND AND CLIMATE<sup>11</sup>

### Size

Nebraska measures 459 miles (740 kilometers) across at its widest point, following a diagonal from southeast to northwest. Nebraska's total area, including land and water, is 77,358 square miles (200,358 square kilometers) — almost 20 percent larger than New England. The state's land area alone is 76,878 square miles (199,113 square kilometers). Nebraska ranks 16th among the states in land and water area and 15th in land area alone.

### Elevation

Nebraska's elevation rises gradually from southeast to northwest in a series of rolling plateaus. The lowest point, 840 feet (256 meters) above sea level, is in southeastern Richardson County at the Missouri River. The highest point, 5,424 feet (1,654 meters) above sea level, is in southwestern Kimball County. Nebraska's average elevation is 2,600 feet (793 meters).

### Geographic Regions

Nebraska has two major geographic regions — the Dissected Till Plains and the Great Plains. The Great Plains can be divided into smaller areas, among them the Loess Plains, the Loess Hills, the Sandhills and the High Plains.

The Dissected Till Plains formed when Ice Age glaciers left behind a rich soil-forming material, called till, over the eastern fifth of the state. Windblown dust (loess) later settled on the till, and over the years, streams dissected the region, forming a rolling terrain. Along the Missouri River, the terrain includes bluffs and river-deposited lowlands. This combination makes the Dissected Till Plains well-suited for farming.

The Great Plains stretch west across the rest of the state. The largest of its subregions is the nearly 20,000 square miles of sand hills north of the North Platte and Platte rivers that stretch to South Dakota. The Sandhills, the largest stabilized sand dune area in North America, were formed by wind whipping sand into hills and ridges interspersed with valleys that contain streams, lakes and wetlands. Grasses have stabilized the dunes. The abundant water and grasslands make this area ideal for raising cattle.

The Loess Plains consist of windblown silt (loess) that covers about 7,948 square miles of relatively flat, intensively farmed land in south-central Nebraska interspersed with lakes and wetlands. This region is sometimes called the "Rainwater Basin" or "Rain-basin." The Loess Hills lie north of the Platte River and south and east of the Sandhills. Here, windblown silt has formed rolling hills where farms and ranches predominate.

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<sup>11</sup> Information for this section compiled from the following sources: Conservation and Survey Division, University of Nebraska-Lincoln; Nebraska Department of Natural Resources; Nebraska Game and Parks Commission; Natural Resources Conservation Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture; Nebraska State Climate Office, High Plains Climate Center; National Oceanic and Atmospheric Association, U.S. Department of Commerce; *Statistical Abstract of the United States*, Bureau of the Census, U.S. Department of Commerce; *The Nebraska Databook*, Nebraska Department of Economic Development.

The High Plains lies northwest, southwest and due west of the Sandhills. In its 12,000 square miles are the scenic Wildcat Hills and Pine Ridge areas in the southern and northern Panhandle, respectively. A small area of the Badlands, which are mostly in South Dakota, extends into Nebraska. This unusual landscape in the northwestern part of the state has been carved by erosion and is characterized by steep, mostly bare hills of siltstone and sandstone and by mushroom-like cap rocks on more narrow pedestals. These rocks are especially distinctive in Toadstool Park.



**Toadstool Park in Northwest Nebraska's Badlands**

## **Mineral Resources**

Petroleum and natural gas fields lie in the Panhandle and southwestern and southeastern parts of Nebraska.<sup>12</sup> Sand and gravel deposits are found along the Platte and Republican rivers, their tributaries and elsewhere. These deposits are mined largely for construction purposes. Limestone quarries lie near the Missouri River in the southeast. Other minerals produced in Nebraska include sandstone; clay, usually for brick or tile; shale; and uranium, which is mined as a slurry in one location in northwestern Nebraska.

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<sup>12</sup> For details on Nebraska oil and gas production, see Page 681.

## Water and Soil Conservation

Nebraskans have long realized that using soil and water resources wisely is important, particularly because of the state's agricultural economy. Irrigation ditches were constructed in Nebraska as early as 1856. However, Nebraska's extensive irrigation system stems from the droughts of the 1890s and 1930s.

Initially, Nebraska received all its irrigation water from streams and rivers. These waterways continue to supply water for Nebraska's cropland today. The Platte, Loup and Republican rivers are especially important.

Since 1940, irrigation from wells has increased dramatically. As of June 2014, the state had 98,558 existing registered irrigation wells. In 2012, there were 8.3 million acres of irrigated land in Nebraska.<sup>13</sup>

During the drought of the 1930s, the federal government created extensive soil conservation programs. By 1950, all of Nebraska's farm and ranch land was included in soil conservation districts. Local watershed groups were organized by 1954 legislation.

Today, Nebraska is divided into 23 natural resources districts (NRDs).<sup>14</sup> These governmental units have local responsibility for soil and water conservation and protection. The state has given NRDs a variety of regulatory tools to deal with contamination, groundwater shortages and user conflicts that occur.



**Cattle Grazing near a Center-Pivot Irrigation System**

<sup>13</sup> Source: Nebraska Department of Natural Resources and the USDA Nebraska Agricultural Statistics Service, NASS. For more irrigation statistics, see Pages 477-478.

<sup>14</sup> For more information on NRDs, see Pages 873-875.

## Rivers and Lakes

Nebraska is the only state that lies entirely within the drainage area of the Missouri River, which flows along Nebraska's northern and eastern borders for about 450 miles. Its major tributary in Nebraska is the Platte River, which flows across the state from west to east.

The Platte River begins where the North and South Platte rivers meet near the city of North Platte. The Platte, which is too shallow for navigation, was described as "a mile wide and an inch deep" by early explorers and pioneers crossing Nebraska. Today, the river is used for irrigation, municipal water supply, recreation and hydroelectric power production.



**Niobrara River near Valentine**

The Platte's main tributaries are the Loup and Elkhorn rivers, which originate in the Sandhills and flow southeast across north-central Nebraska. The Niobrara River drains northern Nebraska; the Republican, Big Blue, Little Blue and Nemaha rivers drain southern and southeastern Nebraska, respectively.

Nebraska has about 2,500 small lakes, both natural and man-made. Hundreds of natural, shallow lakes dot the landscape of the Sandhills. Lake McConaughy, the state's largest lake (about 55 square miles), was formed by the construction of the Kingsley Dam on the North Platte River. Other large man-made lakes include Jeffrey and Sutherland reservoirs on the Platte River system; Swanson, Medicine Creek and Harlan County reservoirs on the Republican River; Enders Reservoir on the Frenchman River; Calamus Reservoir on the Calamus River system; and Lewis and Clark Lake on the Missouri River system.

One of Nebraska's greatest water resources lies not above, but below ground. The state's vast underground water supply, accumulated over thousands of years, is about 1.9 billion acre-feet, enough to cover the state with an estimated 34 feet of water. This water supply — much of it part of the Ogallala Aquifer — is used extensively for irrigation.

## Climate

An old expression about weather in Nebraska is that if you don't like it now, wait five minutes and it will change.

Nebraskans often experience extremes in temperature and frequent changes in the weather. Tornadoes, thunderstorms, blizzards and hailstorms are part of hot summers and severely cold winters. Temperature and rainfall vary greatly from year to year. The spring and fall seasons usually are pleasant. The temperature gradually drops from southeastern to northwestern Nebraska, except in the coldest part of the year.

The highest temperature ever recorded in Nebraska, 118 degrees Fahrenheit (48 degrees Celsius), was on July 15, 1934, at Geneva; on July 17, 1936, at Hartington; and on July 24, 1936, at Minden. The lowest temperature on record, minus 47 F (minus 44 C), was at Camp Clarke near Northport on Feb. 12, 1899, and at Oshkosh on Dec. 22, 1989.

Like the temperature, precipitation and humidity decrease gradually from east to west across Nebraska. The unpredictable nature of rain results in drought some years and flooding in others.

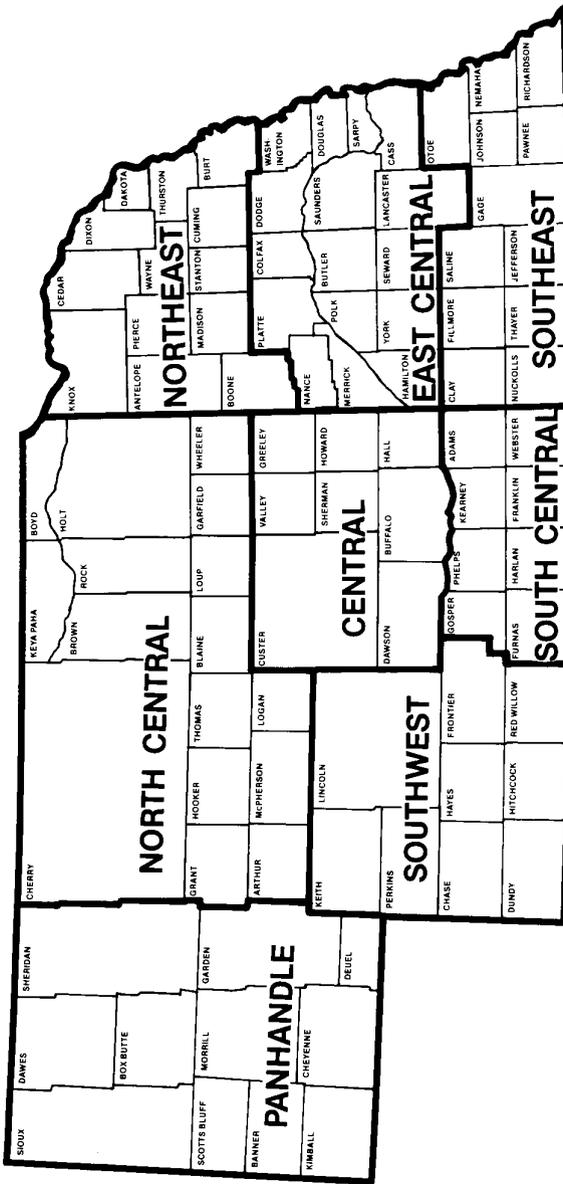


**Thunderstorm Building Over the Plains**

Nebraska's growing season ranges from about 165 days in the southeast to 120 days in the northwest. Killing frosts usually occur from about Oct. 15 to April 25 in the southeast and about Sept. 20 to May 20 in the northwest.

Prevailing winds blow across Nebraska from the northwest between October and April, and from the south and southeast during other times. Average wind velocity is about 10 miles (16 kilometers) per hour. Tornadoes are not uncommon in the spring and summer. According to the National Climatic Data Center, Nebraska averaged 57 tornado touch downs each year between 1991 and 2010.

Nebraska Climatic Divisions<sup>15</sup>



<sup>15</sup>Source: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce.

## Climate of Nebraska\*

### Normal Temperature, 1981-2010

Month	Pan-handle	North Central	North-east	Central	East Central	South-west	South Central	South-east
January.....	26.5	24.2	21.6	24.8	24.0	27.3	26.4	25.6
February.....	29.3	27.7	26.1	28.5	28.4	31.1	30.4	30.3
March.....	37.1	36.6	36.7	38.2	39.1	39.7	40.2	40.8
April.....	45.5	46.9	48.8	48.7	50.7	49.0	50.6	51.8
May.....	55.6	57.3	59.7	59.0	61.4	59.1	60.6	62.1
June.....	65.4	67.1	69.6	68.9	71.3	69.2	70.8	72.0
July.....	72.6	73.4	74.1	74.2	75.7	75.3	76.1	76.7
August.....	70.7	71.6	72.1	72.3	73.6	73.5	74.2	74.8
September.....	60.6	61.7	63.1	63.1	64.8	63.9	65.0	65.9
October.....	47.7	49.0	50.6	50.5	52.5	51.1	52.3	53.7
November.....	35.3	35.2	35.8	36.7	38.2	37.9	38.5	39.8
December.....	25.9	24.8	23.4	25.7	26.0	27.8	27.5	27.8
Annual.....	47.8	48.1	48.6	49.3	50.6	50.5	51.2	51.9

### Average Humidity, Wind and Weather<sup>16</sup>

Station	Relative Humidity (Percent)	Mean Wind Velocity (MPH)	Prevailing Wind Direction	Sunshine (Percent of Possible)	Number of Days Cloudy/Not <sup>17</sup>	Annual Number of Days with Measurable Precipitation <sup>18</sup>
Grand Island.....	68	11.2	S	-	140/225	88.7
Lincoln.....	70	9.8	S	62	150/215	95.2
Norfolk.....	69	10.7	NW	-	145/220	96.1
North Platte.....	66	9.4	NW	67	141/224	87.4
Omaha.....	70	10.0	S	60	149/216	101.2
Scottsbluff.....	61	9.9	NW	-	137/228	87.2
Valentine.....	63	9.8	NW	66	137/228	87.9

### Normal Precipitation

Month	Pan-handle	North Central	North-east	Central	East Central	South-west	South Central	South-east
January.....	.32	.42	.57	.47	.63	.39	.48	.66
February.....	.44	.56	.71	.62	.74	.50	.61	.85
March.....	.99	1.33	1.89	1.59	2.01	1.17	1.73	2.11
April.....	1.82	2.48	3.00	2.50	2.82	2.11	2.23	2.82
May.....	2.76	3.53	4.03	4.00	4.51	3.21	4.15	4.71
June.....	2.95	3.72	4.26	4.05	4.47	3.36	3.62	4.34
July.....	2.49	3.03	3.29	3.28	3.63	3.11	3.64	4.07
August.....	1.81	2.51	3.28	2.93	3.48	2.53	3.08	3.57
September.....	1.50	2.06	2.86	2.22	2.90	1.56	2.06	3.04
October.....	1.25	1.70	2.25	1.90	2.16	1.58	1.91	2.22
November.....	.58	.86	1.37	1.09	1.43	.75	1.10	1.49
December.....	.39	.48	.79	.55	.89	.43	.60	.96
Annual.....	17.31	22.66	28.31	25.20	29.67	20.71	25.21	30.82

\*Source: Nebraska State Climate Office, the High Plains Climate Center and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

<sup>16</sup> Values derived from data supplied by the National Climatic Data Center for the current official normal period of 1981-2010.

<sup>17</sup> The designation "not cloudy" is a combination of days that are clear and those that are partly cloudy.

<sup>18</sup> Measurable precipitation is defined as liquid equivalent moisture of 0.01 inches or greater.

## Climate of Nebraska (Cont'd.)

### Snowfall, 1956-2014<sup>19</sup>

Year	Pan-handle	North Central	North-east	Central	East Central	South-west	South Central	South-east
1956-57.....	54.9	39.3	29.4	26.3	29.2	34.4	25.0	27.7
1957-58.....	46.7	33.0	27.8	33.9	35.4	44.4	52.0	36.2
1958-59.....	53.7	41.5	30.9	35.3	28.3	44.0	32.2	29.2
1959-60.....	36.4	52.5	61.0	47.0	59.9	50.1	52.1	62.0
1960-61.....	45.8	40.0	27.5	26.1	17.2	35.1	20.6	18.6
1961-62.....	29.5	34.0	49.7	39.4	42.6	21.5	37.3	35.8
1962-63.....	37.0	31.1	23.2	29.5	33.4	27.1	21.6	22.3
1963-64.....	28.4	24.5	23.3	29.1	22.3	25.2	21.2	18.0
1964-65.....	27.3	23.0	37.5	28.3	48.5	26.3	30.2	35.7
1965-66.....	38.7	25.1	16.8	15.3	11.4	23.9	12.8	9.0
1966-67.....	29.3	21.4	16.4	26.5	22.1	19.0	20.1	21.4
1967-68.....	44.6	20.3	9.0	12.3	9.0	15.3	11.3	12.7
1968-69.....	29.8	42.6	53.0	44.6	44.9	26.7	38.3	34.9
1969-70.....	59.1	51.5	33.9	30.1	22.8	43.4	27.2	22.5
1970-71.....	48.3	43.8	26.1	30.8	38.0	41.1	24.9	45.4
1971-72.....	22.6	21.1	22.7	11.7	17.8	9.7	9.9	17.1
1972-73.....	58.0	38.0	33.0	30.7	36.0	32.6	22.6	34.4
1973-74.....	50.7	35.8	24.5	39.9	36.9	37.1	37.6	28.0
1974-75.....	42.6	36.6	41.0	29.8	45.6	23.3	26.4	39.7
1975-76.....	58.4	43.4	30.5	36.1	25.0	38.6	30.7	29.1
1976-77.....	34.0	40.5	16.7	21.9	19.3	26.5	15.2	18.4
1977-78.....	42.8	39.2	38.1	39.6	38.5	30.1	25.7	35.2
1978-79.....	60.0	49.1	44.0	35.0	40.0	30.0	25.0	34.1
1979-80.....	68.3	52.4	25.8	43.5	28.0	64.4	41.6	33.4
1980-81.....	19.5	14.3	13.2	13.0	12.6	20.3	13.5	10.2
1981-82.....	23.8	41.4	40.8	33.8	30.6	18.0	22.6	26.0
1982-83.....	50.2	39.7	48.6	31.2	32.6	33.2	31.5	27.9
1983-84.....	45.3	56.6	64.7	61.4	49.2	49.0	53.8	44.4
1984-85.....	24.6	21.6	17.5	22.4	21.3	26.6	27.4	24.2
1985-86.....	63.4	50.5	32.3	24.5	21.8	42.6	23.4	16.9
1986-87.....	44.5	33.9	15.4	26.7	19.2	35.3	23.8	25.4
1987-88.....	54.3	56.9	26.1	32.0	18.7	31.7	21.7	20.6
1988-89.....	27.5	22.4	21.7	20.5	19.2	20.4	15.2	15.7
1989-90.....	41.7	26.5	20.8	26.0	20.2	21.4	17.7	20.6
1990-91.....	36.2	38.9	37.0	27.4	29.0	27.3	13.5	18.8
1991-92.....	26.3	28.6	31.1	30.8	26.6	28.7	22.8	24.4
1992-93.....	63.8	46.7	43.6	42.0	39.4	50.1	48.1	39.2
1993-94.....	40.8	39.1	37.4	35.7	22.8	40.8	40.6	17.4
1994-95.....	57.2	48.1	29.6	26.9	21.9	35.0	19.4	16.3
1995-96.....	40.1	39.0	24.2	22.1	26.2	22.8	19.2	21.8
1996-97.....	33.1	35.1	39.5	29.6	30.5	22.9	23.2	30.4
1997-98.....	31.4	31.7	28.8	25.3	36.5	19.6	31.6	37.6
1998-99.....	27.4	33.0	38.1	24.4	31.2	16.9	16.4	22.4
1999-2000.....	26.5	11.7	12.9	13.5	11.5	16.8	17.1	8.7
2000-01.....	41.7	49.5	38.7	47.1	37.1	30.0	41.1	45.1
2001-02.....	27.5	24.5	24.6	19.4	24.0	16.2	18.4	21.4
2002-03.....	27.8	33.4	35.1	32.0	30.4	24.5	20.6	17.7
2003-04.....	29.8	23.7	34.3	19.9	32.1	18.0	21.4	28.5
2004-05.....	31.6	15.0	12.9	21.4	21.5	11.9	17.6	14.7
2005-06.....	36.0	42.4	36.9	34.7	27.9	17.8	23.5	18.7
2006-07.....	29.7	33.6	31.0	20.7	25.6	29.8	19.2	22.3
2007-08.....	36.7	39.5	48.1	27.4	28.0	17.6	18.3	16.5
2008-09.....	37.0	41.1	36.7	27.3	25.8	18.2	13.5	16.5
2009-10.....	54.5	35.9	45.2	40.4	47.2	36.7	26.9	42.8
2010-11.....	39.4	46.9	41.9	37.3	34.0	27.8	27.8	27.6
2011-12.....	20.2	15.0	18.7	18.2	21.3	14.9	15.8	12.8
2012-13.....	53.4	35.4	34.4	25.2	30.7	33.5	28.9	26.4
2013-14.....	53.6	30.2	22.3	20.0	17.1	26.8	26.9	21.2

<sup>19</sup> Snowfall totals start on July 1 and end June 30 of the next year. Snowfall statistics from years 1889-90 to 1955-56 are listed in the 1960 *Nebraska Blue Book*.

## Climate of Nebraska (Cont'd.)

Annual and Seasonal Precipitation, 1895-2013<sup>20</sup>

Year	Panhandle		North Central		Northeast		Central	
	Annual	Crop Season	Annual	Crop Season	Annual	Crop Season	Annual	Crop Season
1895.....	13.93	10.36	17.71	14.87	22.36	19.68	21.16	18.57
1896.....	17.28	13.00	21.98	17.88	32.17	25.45	26.60	21.72
1897.....	16.60	11.65	21.19	14.34	24.81	15.76	26.64	17.57
1898.....	14.44	11.74	18.46	16.56	22.47	17.91	19.43	16.84
1899.....	14.19	9.69	15.17	12.03	23.48	18.61	21.53	17.59
1900.....	14.37	12.19	18.39	15.61	31.62	25.52	23.62	19.34
1901.....	17.52	12.78	21.75	16.91	27.99	21.38	26.23	19.72
1902.....	19.08	13.98	23.13	18.03	29.75	24.05	32.50	26.20
1903.....	15.14	12.69	21.09	17.72	34.57	28.45	29.64	25.05
1904.....	14.24	12.42	20.67	17.20	26.27	20.63	27.45	22.62
1905.....	23.70	20.24	27.01	21.55	34.98	27.16	35.24	29.92
1906.....	20.79	15.17	25.56	18.60	32.50	24.15	29.56	21.38
1907.....	15.25	12.58	19.15	16.25	22.23	18.94	18.41	15.63
1908.....	18.67	13.76	23.63	18.88	29.80	23.67	25.80	21.22
1909.....	20.71	14.75	23.92	17.15	31.79	22.17	21.74	15.69
1910.....	12.48	10.03	15.65	12.77	18.95	15.70	19.30	16.30
1911.....	14.37	10.42	21.64	14.44	23.88	15.56	23.53	17.20
1912.....	20.89	15.68	19.94	15.03	23.83	16.93	18.09	12.29
1913.....	16.88	12.32	19.63	14.81	25.36	19.09	21.99	15.58
1914.....	13.01	10.64	19.58	15.69	25.04	20.70	19.65	16.15
1915.....	28.38	22.01	34.89	27.09	36.99	28.65	35.46	28.28
1916.....	15.31	11.80	17.32	14.12	22.66	17.64	19.05	15.58
1917.....	15.25	12.13	20.81	17.17	25.44	20.73	21.93	18.34
1918.....	20.87	16.53	21.24	15.63	25.74	16.99	22.88	15.08
1919.....	15.72	10.44	22.33	15.10	29.47	19.84	25.83	18.00
1920.....	18.65	15.24	26.04	21.31	32.92	24.82	26.50	20.31
1921.....	15.45	11.09	20.47	16.06	23.72	19.62	21.77	18.74
1922.....	18.12	13.65	20.53	15.24	24.06	17.40	19.68	15.30
1923.....	24.11	18.82	26.56	22.40	33.68	29.39	29.62	25.83
1924.....	14.77	8.93	18.30	12.68	27.61	21.25	21.67	16.46
1925.....	17.87	13.05	18.73	15.03	21.16	16.29	20.59	16.13
1926.....	17.75	12.91	18.52	14.77	24.13	19.00	19.89	16.33
1927.....	21.74	16.87	22.82	18.10	27.50	22.01	22.00	17.34
1928.....	17.90	13.66	18.48	13.55	20.93	12.90	21.38	14.59
1929.....	19.61	14.31	23.01	17.01	26.25	19.65	20.87	15.30
1930.....	21.66	16.75	23.67	16.97	24.85	18.95	30.68	22.76
1931.....	12.06	7.60	15.93	10.66	20.86	13.01	18.37	11.55
1932.....	14.13	11.06	19.50	15.78	24.52	18.73	22.58	17.93
1933.....	17.43	14.94	19.07	15.68	20.61	14.66	21.78	17.73
1934.....	11.41	8.63	13.93	10.48	19.32	13.86	13.07	8.80
1935.....	17.51	15.05	20.77	17.79	23.36	18.69	24.34	21.12
1936.....	11.48	7.86	14.32	9.90	16.12	10.72	14.23	11.05
1937.....	12.86	8.93	16.28	12.46	22.12	15.97	20.59	15.86
1938.....	19.80	16.32	21.28	17.99	25.05	20.51	20.67	17.82
1939.....	12.47	8.23	17.57	12.91	17.44	13.09	16.17	12.86
1940.....	12.66	8.65	15.26	9.75	24.29	15.64	15.92	9.77
1941.....	20.06	15.44	22.39	17.18	25.43	19.56	23.96	19.28
1942.....	22.88	17.99	23.37	19.31	23.83	18.27	26.66	22.42
1943.....	14.05	10.92	17.09	13.79	19.33	14.94	17.05	14.88
1944.....	19.36	13.52	25.58	19.13	33.50	27.18	26.69	20.47
1945.....	18.61	15.26	20.24	17.22	25.80	21.09	22.97	20.35
1946.....	17.21	12.71	24.42	15.41	27.23	17.12	26.82	15.77
1947.....	20.10	15.92	20.71	16.35	25.42	18.06	24.34	19.33
1948.....	16.49	12.42	19.36	15.46	25.13	17.70	21.69	16.64
1949.....	17.56	13.35	24.39	16.26	26.71	19.33	24.76	18.44
1950.....	15.19	13.01	22.07	18.21	25.92	20.36	24.17	20.28
1951.....	19.82	16.79	29.53	24.65	35.13	27.29	28.40	23.95
1952.....	14.22	10.46	15.88	11.74	23.79	18.86	16.34	12.33

<sup>20</sup>Rainfall totals start Jan. 1 and end Dec. 31. Annual rainfall statistics from 1850 to 1894 are listed in the 1960 *Nebraska Blue Book*. Seasonal means crop season, which is from April 1 to Sept. 30.

# Climate of Nebraska (Cont'd.)

## Annual and Seasonal Precipitation, 1895-2013 (Cont'd.)

Year	Panhandle		North Central		Northeast		Central	
	Annual	Crop Season	Annual	Crop Season	Annual	Crop Season	Annual	Crop Season
1953.....	16.35	12.19	21.18	14.84	25.62	18.41	20.41	14.23
1954.....	14.48	11.12	18.87	15.01	24.93	18.44	17.71	14.36
1955.....	17.84	14.38	16.11	12.80	17.59	14.14	16.35	13.45
1956.....	13.20	10.57	15.17	11.47	17.36	13.81	15.67	12.34
1957.....	21.30	17.91	25.55	20.66	29.33	22.22	29.22	23.59
1958.....	17.49	14.13	21.14	17.97	22.83	18.74	23.69	19.64
1959.....	15.99	11.94	19.62	14.43	29.85	20.89	23.53	16.84
1960.....	13.85	10.05	21.44	16.94	29.71	23.54	24.39	18.60
1961.....	17.01	13.86	18.98	15.42	23.67	17.91	23.10	18.68
1962.....	19.59	16.51	27.34	23.56	28.86	22.86	29.02	23.94
1963.....	17.02	13.22	20.98	17.20	23.25	19.65	20.39	17.09
1964.....	11.60	9.82	18.74	16.30	26.74	23.11	21.09	17.57
1965.....	21.48	18.15	24.18	21.06	31.49	27.51	32.12	27.39
1966.....	16.36	13.20	19.10	15.98	23.42	18.57	19.50	15.63
1967.....	19.46	16.77	18.88	16.38	22.97	20.06	21.99	19.37
1968.....	17.37	14.69	20.83	16.78	25.52	16.93	23.80	18.09
1969.....	15.70	11.28	17.70	12.35	25.70	17.56	24.06	16.42
1970.....	14.45	11.15	17.65	13.82	24.37	17.20	19.24	15.50
1971.....	18.48	14.93	22.84	16.36	26.33	16.93	24.67	16.45
1972.....	17.45	14.43	21.41	17.28	30.19	24.17	22.63	17.79
1973.....	20.92	14.84	25.72	18.60	30.94	19.98	31.38	22.13
1974.....	11.74	8.83	14.69	12.08	18.01	14.58	16.70	12.93
1975.....	13.84	10.26	17.54	12.79	25.52	18.31	22.71	17.33
1976.....	13.66	11.16	16.60	13.67	16.86	12.88	19.97	16.63
1977.....	18.73	14.71	29.91	22.24	32.81	23.52	33.57	25.42
1978.....	18.85	14.84	21.03	17.10	23.55	19.15	23.08	18.36
1979.....	18.47	13.47	24.44	17.47	31.31	19.53	25.90	17.25
1980.....	13.53	9.37	15.71	11.02	17.62	13.66	15.62	10.64
1981.....	17.49	14.15	22.82	16.85	24.09	16.66	27.05	20.42
1982.....	20.96	16.60	24.48	16.66	34.73	21.89	26.77	17.97
1983.....	18.13	13.07	25.86	19.12	30.57	18.85	24.96	17.08
1984.....	15.35	11.84	22.86	16.54	35.79	24.67	29.18	19.71
1985.....	14.81	11.13	19.66	15.84	27.18	22.66	26.73	22.82
1986.....	20.34	15.77	26.55	21.47	31.89	24.21	25.19	19.58
1987.....	17.74	12.68	23.16	14.54	26.74	16.63	27.98	16.95
1988.....	16.13	13.86	22.79	19.63	21.50	18.23	21.29	18.90
1989.....	11.73	9.50	12.79	10.22	17.25	13.59	19.90	17.21
1990.....	17.00	12.24	20.37	15.09	25.75	19.07	22.21	15.53
1991.....	16.48	13.65	21.52	16.61	25.71	17.78	22.29	15.61
1992.....	17.46	12.77	23.41	16.91	33.55	22.16	25.20	16.77
1993.....	21.64	15.64	28.57	22.68	35.61	29.48	34.85	28.98
1994.....	14.47	8.92	21.40	16.43	27.42	21.88	24.05	18.18
1995.....	19.87	16.31	28.05	21.70	32.03	24.13	24.83	20.01
1996.....	18.36	15.30	22.48	18.72	28.02	21.54	26.15	22.11
1997.....	18.20	14.78	21.68	17.44	22.24	17.26	22.86	17.23
1998.....	20.09	13.02	26.15	18.38	32.58	22.17	24.60	17.02
1999.....	18.30	16.90	20.41	18.06	25.90	22.59	24.42	21.65
2000.....	17.24	11.59	19.51	13.43	22.90	15.15	20.38	13.19
2001.....	16.09	12.90	23.69	19.02	30.98	23.41	23.82	18.37
2002.....	10.66	8.34	13.56	10.14	20.98	15.71	15.30	11.10
2003.....	16.14	12.25	17.41	13.67	24.79	19.88	20.73	16.95
2004.....	16.24	12.38	21.47	16.80	27.86	20.34	25.49	19.15
2005.....	19.88	16.17	23.95	19.40	28.64	21.89	22.63	16.29
2006.....	13.51	9.77	19.07	13.96	27.08	18.95	23.02	16.03
2007.....	15.27	10.75	26.42	18.59	37.12	24.39	33.39	24.53
2008.....	17.08	14.11	26.38	20.04	31.68	22.02	34.51	25.56
2009.....	22.88	17.78	26.60	19.61	26.73	17.55	26.81	19.59
2010.....	19.77	15.91	26.83	22.11	32.11	26.85	29.31	24.93
2011.....	21.02	16.91	26.68	20.81	26.01	21.01	26.22	19.36
2012.....	8.33	5.93	12.02	8.76	15.89	10.94	12.18	8.87
2013.....	18.63	13.81	23.83	18.24	27.84	20.29	24.47	19.35

## Climate of Nebraska (Cont'd.)

## Annual and Seasonal Precipitation, 1895-2013 (Cont'd.)

Year	East Central		Southwest		South Central		Southeast	
	Annual	Crop Season	Annual	Crop Season	Annual	Crop Season	Annual	Crop Season
1895.....	21.60	18.79	18.47	15.49	21.68	18.22	22.15	18.52
1896.....	34.49	27.67	20.03	16.39	29.77	25.06	36.90	29.28
1897.....	25.21	16.54	19.91	12.73	29.47	19.46	29.60	20.50
1898.....	24.01	19.21	19.42	17.02	23.08	20.31	27.69	20.84
1899.....	26.87	21.30	15.69	11.32	20.57	16.25	28.16	20.12
1900.....	34.22	28.11	16.22	13.64	21.68	17.06	33.46	27.57
1901.....	25.33	18.91	20.33	15.81	22.39	16.73	23.73	16.82
1902.....	37.14	29.88	23.46	18.56	33.22	26.88	41.98	33.73
1903.....	37.81	31.81	18.39	14.93	31.85	26.23	37.02	30.34
1904.....	26.77	22.54	21.48	18.46	24.14	19.85	30.03	24.85
1905.....	37.11	29.34	29.65	24.18	34.21	28.91	35.18	27.15
1906.....	32.34	24.17	21.74	14.76	25.04	17.41	27.61	20.32
1907.....	26.82	22.63	16.91	14.85	17.27	14.19	28.74	22.42
1908.....	35.81	28.92	21.23	15.70	26.40	20.83	38.45	32.23
1909.....	34.09	22.72	19.56	13.17	23.36	15.18	34.80	21.46
1910.....	22.96	19.30	12.42	11.34	17.38	14.99	22.72	19.71
1911.....	24.04	16.40	18.77	13.79	23.80	19.72	27.54	19.31
1912.....	25.81	16.65	22.16	16.67	21.29	14.41	24.33	15.88
1913.....	28.59	19.36	17.12	11.83	19.05	12.51	26.44	16.37
1914.....	28.54	21.72	17.18	13.99	18.04	14.84	26.53	19.64
1915.....	40.46	31.41	35.41	29.87	37.95	32.16	42.55	32.19
1916.....	22.11	16.93	16.29	13.31	20.69	16.95	26.12	20.61
1917.....	24.73	21.66	17.98	15.10	19.21	16.22	23.98	21.02
1918.....	23.56	14.07	21.78	15.33	22.81	15.20	27.95	17.62
1919.....	32.04	22.07	21.48	14.41	28.81	20.49	33.21	23.82
1920.....	28.51	20.48	20.53	16.35	23.39	17.53	26.43	19.23
1921.....	26.26	22.53	16.00	12.77	19.09	16.93	23.85	20.81
1922.....	24.36	16.77	16.44	13.21	18.32	14.21	25.61	17.06
1923.....	30.77	26.48	28.33	22.85	28.77	24.62	28.50	24.51
1924.....	28.15	22.14	17.03	10.85	19.75	13.90	23.39	16.45
1925.....	24.83	19.21	18.83	15.21	20.57	17.30	29.53	23.81
1926.....	26.87	19.91	17.01	13.61	19.32	14.82	26.90	19.09
1927.....	25.05	20.29	21.48	16.76	23.67	19.24	29.22	23.26
1928.....	25.88	16.49	24.54	19.35	25.05	16.19	30.00	19.84
1929.....	24.90	17.41	19.30	15.04	17.97	12.64	30.09	20.73
1930.....	26.58	21.02	28.29	20.52	28.77	21.06	26.07	19.96
1931.....	28.57	18.66	15.75	10.06	21.77	13.77	31.43	20.77
1932.....	27.76	21.22	17.97	15.38	19.31	14.63	25.73	19.42
1933.....	22.13	16.35	20.47	17.88	21.11	17.50	22.64	17.27
1934.....	16.56	9.92	13.55	10.46	13.64	9.24	17.77	10.87
1935.....	27.11	21.46	20.72	18.33	22.71	19.56	30.76	24.18
1936.....	15.11	11.00	14.13	11.80	13.30	11.49	17.95	14.05
1937.....	21.65	15.99	16.88	12.74	18.52	14.04	21.32	15.23
1938.....	26.66	22.36	19.14	16.72	20.37	17.72	29.38	24.35
1939.....	18.35	13.86	14.34	10.49	16.89	13.61	21.60	15.77
1940.....	22.05	13.63	16.10	10.63	16.72	10.22	23.30	14.42
1941.....	28.13	19.84	23.49	19.22	28.44	23.06	35.13	24.12
1942.....	25.96	20.13	25.90	21.58	29.44	24.78	30.32	23.59
1943.....	21.60	17.94	13.74	11.37	17.72	15.98	24.88	21.01
1944.....	35.39	28.15	22.86	17.00	29.52	22.35	38.26	29.26
1945.....	31.33	26.45	20.62	18.67	21.79	18.83	30.90	25.24
1946.....	28.49	18.60	24.51	15.52	30.11	19.06	28.30	18.19
1947.....	29.22	22.73	20.21	16.56	22.12	16.94	28.44	22.17
1948.....	28.78	19.71	17.74	13.75	20.01	14.43	29.00	18.63
1949.....	29.34	22.23	23.88	16.76	27.39	21.31	35.45	27.86
1950.....	26.44	20.85	18.88	16.39	23.19	19.55	31.43	25.63
1951.....	36.13	27.68	27.81	24.50	31.12	26.31	44.43	36.06
1952.....	28.50	21.93	14.90	11.17	19.60	15.32	31.27	23.22
1953.....	21.34	14.39	16.71	11.20	21.35	14.07	22.31	14.85
1954.....	25.39	19.79	12.76	10.56	18.17	14.96	30.42	25.02
1955.....	17.97	14.80	15.21	12.52	18.18	15.14	19.62	15.48

## Climate of Nebraska (Cont'd.)

## Annual and Seasonal Precipitation, 1895-2013 (Cont'd.)

Year	East Central		Southwest		South Central		Southeast	
	Annual	Crop Season	Annual	Crop Season	Annual	Crop Season	Annual	Crop Season
1956	18.51	14.94	14.78	11.84	14.39	11.61	20.95	16.96
1957	33.28	25.20	23.47	19.32	29.24	23.32	32.85	23.77
1958	27.39	22.50	22.18	17.68	23.71	17.84	34.13	27.94
1959	33.87	25.31	18.83	13.23	23.89	17.42	34.55	24.67
1960	30.39	24.02	17.66	11.48	24.91	18.51	32.55	24.58
1961	27.72	19.85	19.16	15.91	25.52	20.81	35.40	25.30
1962	27.99	21.11	26.78	23.47	27.10	21.43	29.95	21.12
1963	24.75	20.34	18.78	15.53	21.41	18.16	27.87	23.02
1964	28.44	24.37	15.66	13.19	18.43	15.47	26.67	22.13
1965	38.08	32.00	27.29	23.19	35.50	29.11	36.32	29.50
1966	20.33	16.36	18.78	15.67	18.02	14.39	19.81	16.05
1967	29.11	24.98	19.26	17.70	24.51	22.04	30.29	24.98
1968	30.93	22.08	15.99	13.21	23.44	18.01	31.20	23.32
1969	27.26	19.13	20.57	15.23	29.34	21.83	32.26	23.41
1970	24.60	18.48	14.63	11.43	19.36	16.48	28.18	22.05
1971	27.20	16.74	23.44	17.53	24.40	16.37	27.90	16.41
1972	31.32	23.15	19.08	15.38	24.32	19.05	29.93	20.68
1973	38.74	23.47	24.23	18.19	32.07	21.20	46.06	27.54
1974	19.40	14.32	14.52	11.80	15.22	11.53	18.73	13.03
1975	24.88	17.78	19.07	15.39	24.23	19.01	28.26	20.55
1976	19.14	14.54	15.34	12.62	18.68	15.56	23.15	18.10
1977	35.89	26.92	23.44	18.15	28.12	22.21	36.99	28.67
1978	28.57	23.31	15.39	11.29	21.33	16.92	33.49	27.35
1979	30.26	17.48	22.09	15.66	29.36	20.08	32.37	18.25
1980	22.16	15.82	16.24	11.73	19.49	13.10	23.70	14.44
1981	27.32	19.33	24.91	18.50	29.06	22.43	30.31	21.91
1982	38.29	28.32	22.88	17.68	27.03	19.59	35.66	26.92
1983	31.69	19.21	18.92	12.89	26.28	17.40	30.98	19.39
1984	36.68	24.85	21.10	14.52	24.59	15.33	35.03	24.42
1985	29.05	23.63	18.73	14.95	26.29	21.55	30.59	24.04
1986	37.03	27.29	18.03	14.05	22.95	17.05	38.65	28.69
1987	31.91	21.23	22.50	15.53	29.12	18.07	36.38	24.70
1988	20.27	17.19	20.09	17.83	19.30	17.10	18.34	15.55
1989	22.56	18.83	16.31	14.06	20.11	17.93	24.81	21.24
1990	26.83	19.61	17.22	11.71	22.35	16.32	26.85	18.82
1991	28.10	18.43	21.21	16.01	20.57	14.78	25.14	15.46
1992	32.59	21.71	21.89	15.34	25.55	16.55	36.43	24.27
1993	39.49	32.44	27.30	20.91	38.59	31.28	47.21	38.76
1994	27.53	21.15	19.20	13.43	23.24	16.55	26.22	19.49
1995	25.15	19.33	20.28	16.77	23.44	19.51	29.09	23.52
1996	31.53	25.35	24.64	22.71	32.79	28.39	33.88	26.39
1997	26.94	19.67	18.59	13.77	22.62	14.74	29.31	19.96
1998	33.46	23.52	19.00	13.60	23.16	15.91	33.40	21.68
1999	29.19	25.14	21.50	19.68	24.41	22.51	26.90	23.02
2000	23.23	15.46	17.49	10.16	23.30	14.10	24.75	16.67
2001	28.24	20.96	20.37	16.08	26.17	20.10	37.29	28.51
2002	22.60	16.62	11.41	8.45	15.85	10.50	23.16	15.55
2003	25.00	19.39	16.47	13.55	19.90	16.42	27.48	20.49
2004	27.00	17.77	22.43	17.53	24.67	17.41	27.09	18.57
2005	25.62	18.00	20.69	15.09	23.32	16.50	27.05	19.07
2006	29.29	21.68	18.55	13.63	25.34	17.79	29.27	21.55
2007	38.66	26.71	25.20	20.18	30.86	23.06	38.82	26.44
2008	36.63	26.59	24.68	18.93	32.72	22.55	35.49	26.11
2009	26.65	18.53	25.69	19.50	23.82	17.68	26.74	18.27
2010	31.52	26.32	23.88	19.45	28.80	24.49	32.37	25.73
2011	29.54	23.64	23.65	19.45	28.95	22.26	28.95	22.64
2012	18.50	12.11	10.75	8.27	15.35	10.75	21.94	14.43
2013	29.26	20.36	16.99	13.44	19.97	14.44	30.09	21.93

## Plant and Animal Life

Nebraska's most abundant native vegetation is grass. In eastern Nebraska, tall prairie grasses flourish, especially bluestem. In the west, the dominant types are perennial short grasses, such as grama and buffalo grass.

When settlers first came to Nebraska, only 3 percent of the land was covered with forests. In 1872, Nebraska became the first state to establish Arbor Day, and tree planting has been an important part of Nebraska's conservation efforts ever since.<sup>21</sup> Ash, box elder, cottonwood, locust, oak, walnut, elm and willow trees are common to eastern and central Nebraska. In the western part of the state, pine and cedar are prevalent varieties.

Native shrubs include wild plums and chokecherries, found throughout Nebraska.

### Sandhill Cranes<sup>22</sup>

Each spring, the Platte River valley in central Nebraska comes alive with the sights and sounds of nearly half a million sandhill cranes. It is the largest gathering of sandhill cranes in the world.

The cranes stop at the Platte River during their annual northern migration from their wintering areas in the southern United States and Mexico. The birds concentrate between Kearney and Grand Island, the last area of the Platte still offering the open channels and sandbars they need. Thousands of people visit the area each year to view the concentration of cranes.

The birds begin arriving in central Nebraska in mid-February, and numbers peak around mid- to late March. After April 1, the cranes move out steadily until about mid-April, when the last of them head to breeding grounds in Canada, Alaska and Siberia.

The cranes come to the Platte to build up nutrient reserves that will sustain them through the summer nesting season. They eat waste grain from area cornfields and invertebrates plucked from wet meadows near the river. While in the fields and meadows, the cranes engage in animated dances, probably courtship rituals.



<sup>21</sup> For more information about Arbor Day, see Page 23.

<sup>22</sup> Source: Nebraska Game and Parks Commission.

A variety of flowers, such as goldenrod, larkspur, columbine, wild roses and sunflowers, thrive throughout the state.

Before white settlers arrived in Nebraska, buffalo and beaver populations were significant. Today, buffalo are never seen outside game preserves. The beaver population, after being diminished by trappers, has become more plentiful in recent years. Other animals in Nebraska include white-tail and mule deer, elk, bighorn sheep, antelope, bobcats, foxes, coyotes, badgers, squirrels, prairie dogs, muskrats, skunks, raccoons, rabbits and opossums.

Game birds, especially pheasants, grouse, ducks, geese and quail, are plentiful in Nebraska. The state's waters yield a variety of fish, including bass, carp, catfish, crappie, perch, pike, trout and walleye. The Platte River and lakes in the Sandhills serve as "rest stops" for many migratory birds, including the famous Sandhill cranes (see previous page).

Another migration rest stop of international significance is the Rainwater Basin district in south-central Nebraska. Within this district, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service manages more than 23,000 acres of wetlands and adjacent tall-grass prairie to provide habitat for migratory birds and resident wildlife.<sup>23</sup>

## ECONOMY<sup>24</sup>

### Agriculture

Nebraska's economy revolves around its agriculture industry. In 2014, 93 percent of the state's land — 45.6 million acres — was farm and ranch land.

Producers have utilized the state's fertile soil, abundant water and technological advances to produce record-high crop yields in recent years. In 2012, gross cash receipts from farm marketing totaled over \$24 billion, and Nebraska had 49,696 farms.

### Crop Production<sup>25</sup>

Nebraska is a national leader in crop production. In 2013, Nebraska led the nation in production of Great Northern beans, grown in the western one-third of the state, and in popcorn production. The state ranked second in pinto bean production; third in all dry edible bean, corn for grain and proso millet production; fifth in soybean production; seventh in grain sorghum production; and eighth in alfalfa hay production. Sugar beets and potatoes also play a significant role in the state's agricultural economy.

Nebraska's top cash crop is corn. Each year, more than 8 million acres of the state's land is planted in corn. The state's livestock, poultry and ethanol industries are the largest corn consumers.

<sup>23</sup> For more information about the Rainwater Basin Wetland Management District and national wildlife refuges in Nebraska, see Pages 145-147.

<sup>24</sup> Information for this section compiled from the following sources: Nebraska Department of Agriculture; Nebraska Department of Economic Development; Nebraska Department of Labor; Bureau of Economic Analysis and Bureau of the Census, U.S. Department of Commerce; Bureau of Business Research, University of Nebraska-Lincoln; *Fortune* magazine.

<sup>25</sup> See Page 466 for a complete set of Nebraska's rankings in agriculture production.

Products relating to agriculture, such as irrigation systems and farm equipment, are manufactured in the state. Agricultural businesses are an important part of Nebraska's economy, with one in three jobs in the state relating to the agricultural industry.

## Livestock Production

Nebraska also is a leader in livestock production and livestock and poultry can be found on half of the state's farms. In 2012, Nebraska was fourth in cash receipts from all livestock and livestock products. In 2013, Nebraska ranked first nationally in commercial red meat production and commercial cattle slaughter; sixth in all hogs and pigs on farms; and seventh in commercial hog slaughter. In 2014, Nebraska was first in all cattle on feed and second in all cattle and calves.

Turkey, poultry, dairy, sheep and goat production add diversity and play an important role in the state's economy.



**Cattle Ranching in Nebraska**

## Other Industries

Although agriculture dominates Nebraska's economy, more of Nebraska's income has come from other industries in recent years.

Manufacturing, which employed almost 96,000 workers in 2013, is a major employer among nonfarm industries, with most manufacturing sites located in the state's large urban areas. Food processing is the leading type of manufacturing, followed by the manufacturing of machinery and fabricated metal products.

The service sector, which includes health services and business services, generates the most earnings in Nebraska. Government ranks second in earnings generated, while manufacturing is third.

The service sector also employs more workers than any other industry. Government jobs, many of which are in Lincoln, employ the second-highest number of workers. Wholesale and retail trades, taken together, employ the third-highest number of workers, with general merchandise stores being the largest employer among retail establishments in the state.

Lincoln is a major employer in education, led by the University of Nebraska-Lincoln and other institutions of higher education. Omaha is a major center for food processing, healthcare, insurance, trade, transportation and telecommunications. Livestock and grain exchanges also are in Nebraska's largest city.

Five Nebraska-based businesses are in the Fortune 500, *Fortune* magazine's annual list of the largest industrial and service corporations in the United States based on revenue. These five are:

- Berkshire Hathaway, a diversified holding and investment firm
- Union Pacific, a railway network operating in the western two-thirds of the United States
- ConAgra, a food processing and marketing company
- Peter Kiewit Sons', an engineering and construction firm
- Mutual of Omaha, an insurance and financial services company

These corporations have their headquarters in Omaha.

### Fortune 500 Companies Based in Nebraska, 2014<sup>26</sup>

Company	Headquarters	Fortune 500 Rank	Revenues
Berkshire Hathaway.....	Omaha .....	4 .....	\$182,150,000,000
Union Pacific.....	Omaha .....	135.....	21,963,000,000
ConAgra .....	Omaha .....	184.....	15,491,000,000
Peter Kiewit Sons'.....	Omaha .....	236.....	11,826,000,000
Mutual of Omaha .....	Omaha .....	392.....	6,602,000,000

<sup>26</sup> Source: fortune.com, 2014.

## Employment by Nonfarm Industries in Nebraska, 2013<sup>27</sup>

Industry	Average Number of Employees
Trade, Transportation and Utilities .....	201,006
Education and Health Services .....	147,157
Professional and Business Services .....	108,879
Manufacturing .....	96,138
Leisure and Hospitality .....	85,213
Finance .....	71,602
Natural Resources, Mining and Construction .....	45,359
Other Services .....	37,231
Information .....	17,067
TOTAL PRIVATE OWNERSHIP .....	809,652
Local Government .....	110,823
State Government .....	41,413
Federal Government .....	16,480
TOTAL GOVERNMENT .....	168,716
TOTAL PUBLIC AND PRIVATE INDUSTRY .....	978,368

<sup>27</sup>Source: Nebraska Department of Labor, Office of Labor Market Information, Current Employment Statistics, 2014.

## Income and Earnings in Nebraska<sup>28</sup>

	2011	2012	2013
INCOME <sup>29</sup>			
Total Personal Income .....	\$80,419	83,520	86,012
Nonfarm earnings .....	54,950	57,935	60,366
Farm earnings .....	6,196	5,242	5,479
EARNINGS BY INDUSTRY <sup>30</sup>			
Forestry, Fishing, and other .....	216	243	256
Mining .....	150	173	174
Utilities .....	626	675	633
Construction .....	3,608	3,941	4,337
Manufacturing .....	6,244	6,622	6,786
Durable .....	2,616	2,760	2,873
Nondurable .....	3,628	3,862	3,913
Wholesale Trade .....	2,847	3,059	3,218
Retail Trade .....	3,433	3,610	3,700
Transportation and Warehousing .....	4,085	4,143	4,308
Information .....	1,235	1,293	1,340
Finance and Insurance .....	4,078	4,292	4,524
Professional, Scientific and Technical Services .....	3,648	3,931	3,906
Management of Companies and Enterprises .....	1,623	1,815	2,355
Administrative and Waste Management Services .....	1,687	1,856	2,001
Health Care and Social Assistance .....	6,199	6,549	6,833
Arts, Entertainment and Recreation .....	305	327	347
Accommodation and Food Services .....	1,277	1,387	1,436
Government and Government Enterprises .....	10,241	10,416	10,517
Federal, Civilian .....	1,456	1,481	1,459
Military .....	840	836	854
State and Local .....	7,943	8,097	8,203

<sup>28</sup>Figures are in millions of dollars. Source: BEA Personal Income and Earnings by Industry, May 2014.

<sup>29</sup>Farm earnings consist of proprietors' net farm income, wages of hired farm labor, pay-in-kind and officers' salaries of corporate farms.

<sup>30</sup>Earnings are the sum of wages and salaries, other labor income and sole proprietors' income.



**Union Pacific Railroad Cars in North Platte's Bailey Yard**

## PEOPLE<sup>31</sup>

In 1800, before Lewis and Clark traveled past Nebraska, several Native American tribes, mainly the Pawnee, Ponca, Omaha, Oto, Sioux, Cheyenne and Arapaho, lived in the area. The largest and most powerful tribe, the Pawnee, had about 6,000 members. In 1913, only 4,784 Indians of all tribes remained in Nebraska because others were moved to reservations in other states. About 16,100 Native Americans live in Nebraska today, with about 35 percent residing on the state's three reservations — the Santee Sioux, Omaha and Winnebago reservations, all in northeastern Nebraska. These reservations are supervised by the federal Bureau of Indian Affairs.

The first Nebraska census in 1854 counted 2,732 residents. At the time, the area was a territory that included parts of present-day North Dakota, South Dakota, Colorado, Montana, Idaho and Wyoming. The 1870 census, taken after Nebraska achieved statehood in 1867, counted 122,993 people.

In the late 19th century, many European immigrants came to Nebraska seeking free land under the federal Homestead Act of 1862. By 1900, Germans accounted for 15 percent of the state's entire population. Other ethnic groups included the Swedes, Danes, Bohemians, German Russians, Poles, French, Irish, English and Italians. State-wide railroad construction spurred development of the communities where immigrants settled. Following the Civil War, black people migrated to Nebraska, and some of them tried homesteading. Most were lured to urban areas, where chances for finding work were better. The 1880 census showed a total of 2,385 black people living in the state. By 1900 that number had increased to 6,269. Omaha's black population doubled between 1910 and 1920.

<sup>31</sup>Information for this section compiled from the following sources: Bureau of the Census, U.S. Department of Commerce; "The Negro in Nebraska," Eldora Francis Hess, University of Nebraska-Lincoln Department of History, 1932; Nebraska State Historical Society; Nebraska Indian Commission; *The Nebraska Databook*, Nebraska Department of Economic Development; *Omaha World-Herald*.

## Nebraska's Population Today<sup>32</sup>

In 2013, the U.S. Bureau of the Census reported 1,868,516 people living in Nebraska, an increase of 9.2 percent since 2000. Nebraska is the 37th most populous state.

Census data from 2013 showed that 64.4 percent of Nebraskans were born in Nebraska. The data also showed that over half of the state's residents live in the three largest counties — Douglas, which includes Omaha, the state's largest city; Lancaster, which includes Lincoln, the state's capital city; and Sarpy, which has a growing suburban population. Douglas County alone contains more than a quarter of the state's population.

Nebraska's population is mostly white.

In 2013, 89.7 percent of the state's people were white, compared to 77.7 percent for the entire nation. 2013 census data also showed the main ancestry of Nebraskans to be German (38.2 percent), Irish (13.8 percent), English (8.6 percent), Czech (4.8 percent), Swedish (4.5 percent) and Polish (3.6 percent).

People of Latino origin accounted for 9.9 percent of Nebraska's population in 2013 and are the state's fastest growing ethnic group. Blacks were 4.8 percent of the state's population; Asians, 2.1 percent and American Indians and Alaska Natives, 1.3 percent. In addition, 2.0 percent of the state's population reported two or more races.

In 2013, Nebraskans younger than 18 made up 24.9 percent of the state's population, while people 65 and older accounted for 14.1 percent of the population. The state's population was 50.4 percent female and 49.6 percent male.

Nebraska's 10 largest cities, according to the 2013 population estimates, are:

Omaha .....	434,353	Fremont .....	26,340
Lincoln .....	268,738	Hastings .....	25,093
Bellevue .....	53,663	North Platte .....	24,534
Grand Island .....	50,550	Norfolk .....	24,523
Kearney.....	32,174	Columbus .....	22,533



**Downtown Omaha**

## Trends in Nebraska's Population

Since Nebraska became a state, its total population has grown steadily, with the 2010 population higher than in any previous census. The only decade in which Nebraska lost population was 1930 to 1940, when the Great Depression and drought created economic hardships.

<sup>32</sup> For more detailed population figures for counties and municipalities, see Pages 801 and 806.

In 1870, most of Nebraska's population was rural. However, urban living has become the norm. In 2010, about two-thirds of Nebraska residents lived in urban areas, defined as municipalities of 2,500 or more residents. Between 2000 and 2010, 68 of the state's 93 counties lost population. While rural populations dwindle, Nebraska's larger cities and counties continue to grow. Between 2000 and 2010, the population of Douglas County—home of Omaha—increased 11.5 percent, while neighboring Sarpy County grew 29.6 percent.

Nebraska's population is becoming more racially and ethnically diverse. The most significant growth has occurred in the Latino population, which is now the state's largest minority group. From 2000 to 2010, the state's Latino population increased from 5.5 percent to 9.2 percent, growing at a rate of slightly more than 77 percent. The black population also grew from 3.9 percent to 4.4 percent during that time.

While Nebraska's median age increased from 35.3 in 2000, to 36.2 in 2010—the number of Nebraskans age 65 and older decreased slightly during the same time period, from 13.6 percent in 2000, to 13.5 percent in 2010.

## RECREATION AND PLACES OF INTEREST<sup>33</sup>

### National Areas<sup>34</sup>

Nebraska has two national forest areas with hand-planted trees: the Bessey Ranger District of the Nebraska National Forest in Blaine and Thomas counties, and the Samuel R. McKelvie National Forest in Cherry County. The Pine Ridge Ranger District of the Nebraska National Forest in Dawes and Sioux counties contains native ponderosa pine trees. The U.S. Forest Service also administers the Oglala National Grassland in northwest Nebraska. Within it is Toadstool Geologic Park, a moonscape of eroded badlands containing fossil trackways that are 30 million years old. The Hudson-Meng Bison Bonebed, an archaeological site containing the remains of more than 600 prehistoric bison, also is located within the grassland.

Agate Fossil Beds National Monument in Sioux County contains animal fossils. Homestead National Monument of America near Beatrice was built on one of the first pieces of land claimed under the U.S. Homestead Act of 1862. Scotts Bluff National Monument near Scottsbluff is an 800-foot bluff that was a landmark for pioneers on the Oregon Trail. Chimney Rock National Historic Site, a 500-foot spire carved by the elements, is near Bayard. It also served as a landmark for Oregon Trail travelers. The Niobrara National Scenic River is a popular canoeing river. The Missouri/Niobrara/Verdigris Creek National Recreational Rivers and the Missouri National Recreational River offer land and water recreation and views of the waterways similar to those the Lewis and Clark expedition saw as they crossed the Great Plains.

<sup>33</sup>Information for this section compiled from the following sources: Nebraska Department of Economic Development; Nebraska Game and Parks Commission; Nebraska Indian Commission; National Park Service, U.S. Department of the Interior; U.S. Forest Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture; Nebraska State Historical Society.

<sup>34</sup>For more information about the areas in Nebraska administered by the U.S. Forest Service and the National Park Service, see Pages 103-106 and 149-150.

## State Areas<sup>35</sup>

Nebraska's eight state parks are Eugene T. Mahoney and Platte River in Cass County, Smith Falls in Cherry County, Chadron in Dawes County, Fort Robinson in Dawes and Sioux counties, Indian Cave in Nemaha and Richardson counties, Niobrara in Knox County and Ponca in Dixon County.

Arbor Lodge in Otoe County is one of the state's most popular historical parks. J. Sterling Morton, who founded Arbor Day, built a four-room house in 1855 that was transformed into an elegant 52-room mansion. More than 200 varieties of trees are planted on the estate's grounds.

Other Nebraska historical parks include:

- Ash Hollow (Garden County), a rest stop for Oregon Trail travelers
- Ashfall Fossil Beds (Antelope County), a working paleontological dig of ancient rhinoceroses
- Fort Atkinson (Washington County), the first U.S. military post built west of the Missouri River
- Arthur Bowring Sandhills Ranch (Cherry County), a working Sandhills cattle ranch donated by Nebraska's first female U.S. senator
- Buffalo Bill Ranch (Lincoln County), the home of William "Buffalo Bill" Cody, Army scout and showman
- Champion Mill (Chase County), the last water-powered mill to operate in Nebraska
- Fort Hartsuff (Valley County), a restored 1870s military post
- Fort Kearny (Kearney County), an Army frontier outpost to guard the Overland Trail
- Rock Creek Station (Jefferson County), a stop on the Pony Express route where Wild Bill Hickok killed David McCanles

## Other Places of Interest

Thousands of travelers pass through Nebraska each year on highways that follow the Oregon, California and Mormon trails. In some places, ruts from the pioneers' wagon wheels can be seen from the road.

The Fontenelle Forest Nature Center at Bellevue, site of Nebraska's oldest settlement, was established as a trading post by John Jacob Astor's American Fur Company around 1832.

Omaha's Henry Doorly Zoo has the world's largest indoor rain forest, the world's largest indoor desert, the Kingdoms of the Seas aquarium, a nocturnal exhibit and indoor swamp, and an IMAX theater. The zoo also operates a conservation park and wildlife safari near Ashland. The Hastings Museum of Natural and Cultural History has the world's largest diorama of whooping cranes and Sandhill cranes in the world, a planetarium and the Lied Super Screen Theatre.

The State Capitol in Lincoln is considered an outstanding example of modern architecture.

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<sup>35</sup> For more information on state areas, see Page 639.

Willa Cather, Nebraska's most famous writer, is honored with a pioneer memorial at Red Cloud.

Lake McConaughy, Nebraska's largest lake, is a popular recreational area. Campers and hikers visit the rugged Pine Ridge area in northwestern Nebraska. Other scenic spots are found along the Platte, Niobrara, Big Blue, Loup, Republican, Dismal and Missouri rivers. Fishing, hunting, horse racing and rodeos also are popular pastimes in Nebraska.

## Special Events

One of the state's largest events is Nebraskaland Days. The weeklong celebration, which features parades, an old-time Wild West show and a rodeo, is held each June in North Platte. Other rodeos include the Burwell Rodeo and Omaha's Ak-Sar-Ben (Nebraska spelled backwards) River City Rodeo and Stock Show. The Nebraska State Fair is held in late August and early September.

Many of the state's ethnic groups hold annual festivals that feature native costumes, dances and foods. Among the most popular events are Germanfest in Syracuse, the Swedish Festival in Stromsburg, the Danish Festival in Dannebrog and the National Czech Festival in Wilber. Many people attend powwows of the Ponca Tribe in Niobrara, the Omaha Tribe in Macy, the Santee Sioux Tribe in Niobrara and the Winnebago Tribe in Winnebago. Other events include Oregon Trail Days in Gering, Sandhill Crane Migration Days and Husker Harvest Days in Grand Island and Kool-Aid Days in Hastings.



The Lied Jungle at Omaha's Henry Doorly Zoo

## Husker Football<sup>36</sup>



For 40 years, the University of Nebraska has ranked among the most dominant powers in college football. Since Coach Bob Devaney arrived in 1962, the Cornhuskers have become one of the most recognizable symbols of the state.

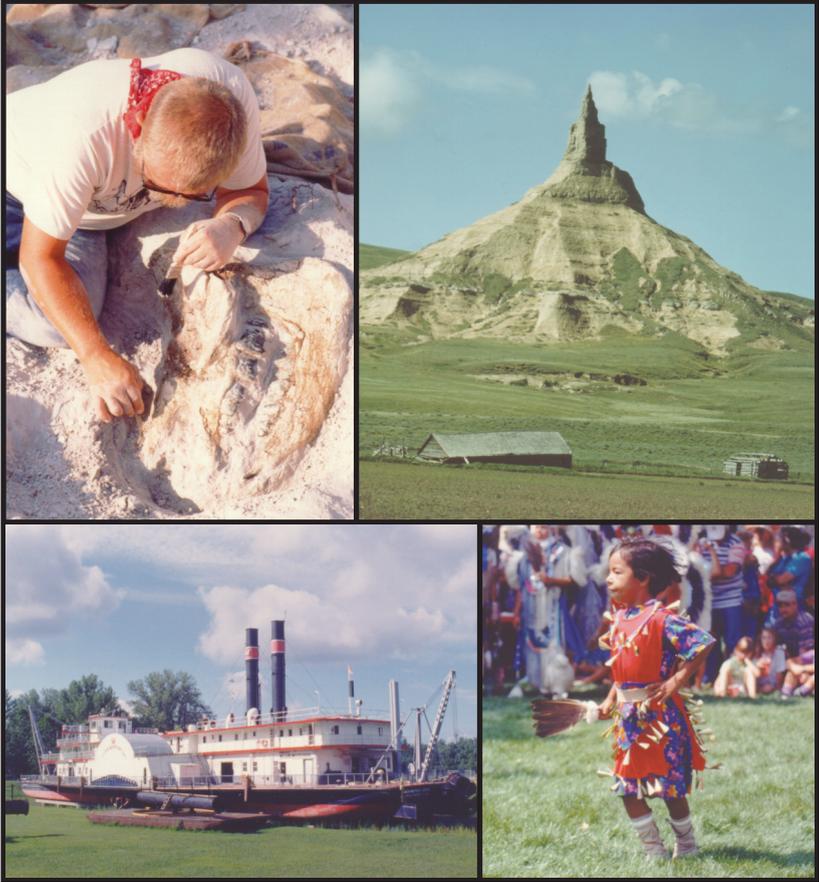
Since winning its first game on Nov. 27, 1890, the Nebraska football program has amassed more than 830 victories. Since 1970, Nebraska has won five national championships. Under the direction of Coach Tom Osborne, the Huskers posted the best five-year record in NCAA football history — 60-3 from 1993 to 1997, including three unbeaten and untied seasons.

Husker football fans are widely known as some of the most devoted fans in sports. Starting on Nov. 3, 1962, there have been 340 consecutive sellouts of Memorial Stadium — an NCAA record.

Besides football, Nebraska has fielded national championship teams in men's gymnastics, volleyball and women's indoor track and bowling. With several College World Series appearances, most recently in 2005, both the baseball and softball programs have excelled at a national level. The men's track, women's gymnastics, wrestling and rifle teams have all earned top-10 finishes at the national championships in recent years.

For more information, visit the Web site —[www.huskers.com](http://www.huskers.com).

<sup>36</sup> Source: University of Nebraska-Lincoln Sports Information Office. Photo courtesy of University of Nebraska Alumni Association.



### Special Attractions in Nebraska

Nebraska's special attractions include (clockwise, from top left) Ashfall State Historical Park near Royal, Chimney Rock National Historic Site near Bayard, American Indian dancing demonstrations and the historic Meriwether Lewis dredge near Brownville.

Attendance at Selected Nebraska Attractions, 2013<sup>37</sup>

Attraction	Location	Attendance <sup>38</sup>
Arbor Day Farm.....	Nebraska City.....	37,546
Arbor Lodge State Historical Park and Arboretum.....	Nebraska City.....	109,000
Ash Hollow State Historical Park.....	Lewellen.....	11,600
Beatrice Big Blue Water Park.....	Beatrice.....	21,521
Bess Streeter Aldrich House and Museum.....	Elmwood.....	550
Bluestem State Recreation Area.....	Sprague.....	83,327
Bowring Sandhills Ranch State Historical Park, Arthur.....	Merriman.....	1,280
Box Butte Reservoir State Recreation Area.....	Hemingford.....	19,950
Branched Oak State Recreation Area.....	Raymond.....	1,160,158
Bridgeport State Recreation Area.....	Bridgeport.....	35,032
Buffalo Bill Ranch State Historical Park and Recreation Area.....	North Platte.....	45,161
Burt County Museum.....	Tekamah.....	2,109
Calamus Reservoir State Recreation Area.....	Burwell.....	598,250
Carhenge.....	Alliance.....	80,000
Cass County Historical Society Museum.....	Plattsmouth.....	2,400
Chadron State Park.....	Chadron.....	380,100
Children's Museum, Omaha.....	Omaha.....	282,287
Conestoga State Recreation Area.....	Denton.....	140,820
Dawes County Historical Society Museum.....	Chadron.....	3,047
Dead Timber State Recreation Area.....	Scribner.....	8,000
Durham Museum.....	Omaha.....	204,787
Edgerton Explorit Center.....	Aurora.....	20,150
Enders Reservoir State Recreation Area.....	Enders.....	54,165
Fort Atkinson State Historical Park.....	Fort Calhoun.....	27,585
Fort Hartsuff State Historical Park.....	Burwell.....	6,547
Fort Kearny State Historical Park.....	Kearney.....	35,605
Fort Kearny State Recreation Area.....	Kearney.....	78,900
Fort Robinson State Park.....	Crawford.....	386,825
Fremont Lakes State Recreation Area.....	Fremont.....	874,800
Front Street and Cowboy Museum.....	Ogallala.....	45,307
Great Platte River Road Archway.....	Kearney.....	49,851
Gothenburg Historical Museum.....	Gothenburg.....	1,685
Henry Doory Zoo.....	Omaha.....	1,608,349
Homestead National Monument of America.....	Beatrice.....	70,420
Indian Cave State Park.....	Shubert.....	241,100
Johnson Lake State Recreation Area.....	Lexington.....	124,513
Joslyn Art Museum.....	Omaha.....	146,380
Knight Museum and Sandhills Center.....	Alliance.....	22,696
Lake Maloney State Recreation Area.....	North Platte.....	191,000
Lake McConaughy/Lake Ogallala State Recreation Areas.....	Ogallala.....	1,160,713
Lake Minatare State Recreation Area.....	Minatare.....	147,600
Lake Wanahoo State Recreation Area.....	Wahoo.....	505,000
Lauritzen Gardens and Kenefick Park.....	Omaha.....	177,788
Lee G. Simmons Conservation Park and Wildlife Safari.....	Ashland.....	114,296
Lewis and Clark Campsite.....	Niobrara.....	130,560
Lewis and Clark Lake State Recreation Area.....	Crofton.....	260,590
Lewis and Clark Visitor Center.....	Crofton.....	28,000
Louisville Lakes State Recreation Area.....	Louisville.....	564,800
Mahoney State Park, Eugene T.....	Ashland.....	113,510
Medicine Creek State Recreation Area.....	Cambridge.....	24,197
Merritt Reservoir State Recreation Area.....	Valentine.....	47,000
Metropolitan Community College Arboretum.....	Omaha.....	50,000
Missouri River Basin Lewis & Clark Interpretive Trail/Visitor Center.....	Nebraska City.....	11,069
Mormon Island State Recreation Area.....	Grand Island.....	50,150
Mormon Trail Center.....	Omaha.....	57,726
Museum of Nebraska Art.....	Kearney.....	18,533
Nebraska History Museum.....	Lincoln.....	27,588
Niobrara National Scenic River.....	Valentine.....	71,876
Niobrara State Park.....	Niobrara.....	73,453
Oliver Reservoir State Recreation Area.....	Kimball.....	2,415
Orpheum Theater.....	Omaha.....	370,000

<sup>37</sup> Attractions selected include state historical sites, state parks, state historical parks, federal areas and non-commercial attractions reporting annual attendance of 20,000 or higher. Other attractions were selected based on their historical or geographical significance.

<sup>38</sup> Source: Nebraska Department of Economic Development. Figures represent attendance reported by the attractions themselves for all of 2013.

## Attendance at Selected Nebraska Attractions, 2013 (Cont'd.)

Attraction	Location	Attendance
Pawnee State Recreation Area.....	Lincoln.....	369,719
Platte County Historical Society Museum.....	Columbus.....	1,547
Platte River State Park.....	Louisville.....	788,610
Ponca State Park.....	Ponca.....	782,430
Red Willow State Recreation Area.....	McCook.....	39,005
Riverside Discovery Center.....	Scottsbluff.....	32,892
Rock Creek State Station Historical Park and Recreation Area.....	Fairbury.....	28,815
Saunders County Historical Museum.....	Wahoo.....	7,130
Sherman Reservoir State Recreation Area.....	Loup City.....	73,748
Smith Falls State Park.....	Valentine.....	40,368
Stagecoach State Recreation Area.....	Hickman.....	91,762
Star City Shores.....	Lincoln.....	52,307
State Capitol, Nebraska.....	Lincoln.....	85,910
Strategic Air and Space Museum.....	Ashland.....	109,393
Stuhr Museum of the Prairie Pioneer.....	Grand Island.....	67,879
Summit Lake State Recreation Area.....	Tekamah.....	129,671
Sutherland State Recreation Area.....	Sutherland.....	56,550
Swanson Reservoir State Recreation Area.....	Trenton.....	99,660
Two Rivers State Recreation Area.....	Venice.....	356,300
Union Orchard.....	Union.....	90,000
University of Nebraska State Museum of Natural History.....	Lincoln.....	75,369
Victoria Springs State Recreation Area.....	Anselmo.....	21,800
Wagon Train State Recreation Area.....	Hickman.....	238,484
Wildcat Hills State Recreation Area.....	Gering.....	24,926
Willa Cather State Historic Site.....	Red Cloud.....	7,000
Willow Creek State Recreation Area.....	Pierce.....	211,950
Windmill State Recreation Area.....	Gibbon.....	48,150

## EDUCATION AND CULTURE<sup>39</sup>

### Education<sup>40</sup>



**One-Room Schoolhouse Replica  
at the Stuhr Museum  
in Grand Island**

Missionaries established the first Nebraska schools to assimilate Indians into white culture. The U.S. Army started the first schools for white people at Fort Atkinson (near present-day Fort Calhoun) in the 1820s. In 1855, the first Legislature of the Nebraska Territory adopted a free-school law, one year after the territory was established.

Nebraska's present public education system is based on the state constitution adopted in 1875. The state constitution directs the Legislature to offer free instruction in public schools for people between 5 and 21 years of age. School attendance is mandatory for children 6 to 18 years of age. Public schools also provide special education for children with disabilities.

Nebraska's education system is supervised by an eight-member nonpartisan board of education with members elected to four-year terms. A board-appointed commissioner oversees administration of the state school system.

Nebraska has 246 public school districts.

Most Nebraskans send their children to public schools.

Nebraska's largest higher education institution is the University of Nebraska, with campuses in Lincoln, Omaha, Kearney and Curtis. The state also supports three state colleges in Chadron, Peru and Wayne, plus a statewide community college system. Independent private colleges and trade schools are other higher education options. In November 1990, voters passed a constitutional amendment empowering the Nebraska Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education to coordinate and oversee the programs and activities of all colleges and universities in the state.

<sup>39</sup> Information for this section compiled from the following sources: Nebraska Constitution, Article VII; Nebraska Department of Education; Nebraska Library Commission; Nebraska Department of Economic Development; Nebraska Indian Commission; Nebraska State Historical Society; Nebraska Broadcasters Association; Nebraska Press Association; Associated Press; Love Library, University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

<sup>40</sup> For more details on education in Nebraska, see Page 597 (Board of Trustees of the Nebraska State College System), Page 602 (State Board of Education and State Department of Education), Page 623 (Board of Educational Lands and Funds), Page 683 (Nebraska Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education), Page 701 (University of Nebraska Board of Regents), Page 721 (Nebraska Community College Student Performance and Occupational Education Grant Committee), Pages 723-724 (Nebraska Educational, Health and Social Services Finance Authority and Nebraska Elementary and Secondary School Finance Authority), Page 742 (interstate education compacts), Page 827 (school districts and educational service units) and Page 884 (school statistics and colleges and universities).

## Libraries<sup>41</sup>

Nebraska's first library was established at the Fort Atkinson military post in 1820. The federal Kansas-Nebraska Act of 1854 provided for a territorial library in Nebraska, which later became the state law library. Omaha was the site of the state's first public library in 1871. In 1877, the Legislature authorized incorporated towns to establish and maintain free public libraries and reading rooms. The 1901 Legislature established a state library commission to promote, develop and coordinate Nebraska's public library services.

Today, Nebraska has 57 postsecondary academic libraries, 269 public libraries and reading rooms, about 894 elementary and secondary school libraries, 23 institutional libraries, 102 special libraries, 93 county law libraries and 9 state agency libraries. All libraries can share materials through a statewide network of six regional multitype library systems, supported by the Nebraska Library Commission.

The University of Nebraska-Lincoln library system, which consists of Love Library and seven branch libraries, is the largest research library in the state. Its holdings include more than 3.5 million volumes, 46,056 current periodicals, 3.7 million microform pieces, over 400,000 e-books, more than 162,000 audio visual materials and computer workstations with e-books, online journals and databases. Other larger libraries include the Nebraska Library Commission, the Nebraska State Library-Supreme Court Law Library at the State Capitol, the Lincoln City Libraries, the Omaha Public Libraries, and academic libraries at Creighton University, the University of Nebraska at Kearney, the University of Nebraska Medical Center and the University of Nebraska at Omaha.

## Museums, Art and Culture

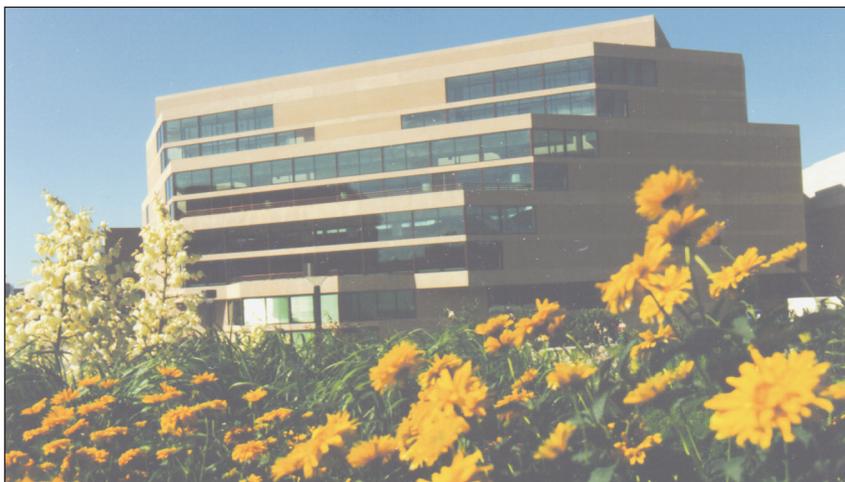
The Joslyn Art Museum's collection in Omaha ranges from ancient to modern art, including art objects created by American Indians and western frontier art. The Durham Western Heritage Museum also is in Omaha. The Sheldon Art Gallery on the University of Nebraska-Lincoln campus features a comprehensive collection of American art. The Museum of Nebraska Art in Kearney features works of artists who were born in Nebraska or who reside in the state. The University of Nebraska State Museum at UNL has one of the largest fossil collections in the United States, including a prehistoric mammoth skeleton display. The Lied Center for the Performing Arts at UNL offers a variety of stage, music and dramatic performances.

The Nebraska State Historical Society maintains the Museum of Nebraska History in Lincoln, as well as the John G. Neihardt State Historic Site in Bancroft, the Neligh Mill State Historic Site in Neligh, the Fort Robinson Museum in Crawford, the Sen. George W. Norris State Historic Site in McCook, the Willa Cather State Historic Site in Red Cloud, the Chimney Rock National Historic Site near Bayard, Courthouse and Jail Rocks near Bridgeport, the Gerald R. Ford Conservation Center in Omaha and the Thomas P. Kennard House-Nebraska Statehood Memorial in Lincoln.<sup>42</sup>

<sup>41</sup> More information on Nebraska libraries can be found on Pages 675 and 919-926.

<sup>42</sup> See section on the Nebraska State Historical Society (Pages 644-668) for further details on the society and lists of Nebraska historical markers and historical organizations.

The Strategic Air and Space Museum near Ashland has warplane and aviation history and missile displays. In Minden, the Harold Warp Pioneer Village has more than 30,000 displays depicting U.S. life since 1830. In Grand Island, the Stuhr Museum of the Prairie Pioneer, built partially on an island in a man-made lake, features a restored 1800s railroad town. A museum at Scotts Bluff National Monument displays the history and art of the Oregon Trail. The U.S. Indian School in Genoa is a historical museum. Chadron's Museum of the Fur Trade has Indian artifact exhibits, guns and other fur trade relics.



**The Lied Center at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln**

## Communication<sup>43</sup>

Thomas Morton began issuing the first newspaper in Nebraska, the *Nebraska Palladium* and *Platte Valley Advocate*, in 1854. A newspaper targeted for black audiences, *The Progress*, was first published in Omaha in 1889.

Today, Nebraska has 177 general interest newspapers, including 17 dailies and 11 college newspapers. Other newspapers published include special interest newspapers, such as farm and business newspapers, legal notice newspapers and newspapers aimed at specific ethnic or religious groups. The largest daily newspapers are the *Omaha World-Herald* and the *Lincoln Journal Star*. More than 50 magazines and journals are produced in Nebraska.

Nebraska's first commercial radio station, WOAW (now WOW) in Omaha, began broadcasting in 1923. Television came to Nebraska in 1949, when KMTV and WOW-TV in Omaha began on-air operations. The University of Nebraska established educational television in 1954 and a statewide public radio network in 1988.

<sup>43</sup> See Pages 927-929 for a list of Nebraska newspapers and Pages 930-931 for a list of Nebraska radio and television stations.

Nebraska has 201 commercial and noncommercial radio stations, including nine statewide public radio stations; 25 commercial and noncommercial TV stations, including nine statewide public TV stations.

Nebraska also has an Associated Press wire service operation based in Omaha, with bureaus in Omaha and Lincoln. The AP is an international news organization that compiles news from and distributes news to its members, which include all daily newspapers and most broadcasting outlets.

## **GOVERNMENT<sup>44</sup>**

### **Federal Government**

Nebraska is represented in Congress by two senators and three representatives, giving Nebraska five votes in the Electoral College, which elects the U.S. president and vice president. Senators serve six-year terms, while representatives serve two-year terms. Nebraska members of Congress have offices and residences in Nebraska as well as in Washington, D.C.

The federal executive branch is represented in Nebraska by agency branch offices and other entities, many of which are in Lincoln and Omaha. Cabinet-level agencies with a presence in Nebraska include the departments of Agriculture, Commerce, Defense, Energy, Health and Human Services, Homeland Security, Housing and Urban Development, Interior, Justice, Labor, Transportation, Treasury and Veterans Affairs. A major federal presence in the state is Offutt Air Force Base, which employs approximately 12,000 military and civilian personnel. Offutt, located near Bellevue, is home to the Air Force's 55th Wing, as well as the U.S. Strategic Command, which manages the nation's strategic forces in order to deter attacks on the United States. About a dozen independent federal agencies also have Nebraska branch offices, including the U.S. Postal Service, which maintains post offices in almost every community.

The U.S. judicial branch includes courts of appeals and district courts. Nebraska is part of the 8th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals, and the entire state makes up a single district in the district court system. Nebraska presently has two U.S. 8th Circuit judges and five U.S. district judges, including those with senior judge status.

### **State Government**

Nebraska's first constitution, adopted in 1866, served as the basis for the state's admission to the Union in 1867. This constitution was replaced in 1875 by one that strictly limited state government power. In 1920, Nebraskans approved 41 amendments proposed by a constitutional convention.

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<sup>44</sup> Information for this section compiled from the following sources: *The United States Government Manual 2013-14*; Nebraska Constitution; U.S. government agencies; League of Nebraska Municipalities; Nebraska Association of County Officials; Nebraska Department of Administrative Services; Nebraska Department of Revenue; Nebraska State Court Administrator's Office; Nebraska Indian Commission. For further details on federal, state, local and tribal government in Nebraska, see sections elsewhere in this book. See "Nebraska Political Parties and Elections" for information on Nebraska's voting requirements and election dates.

## The Unicameral Legislature<sup>45</sup>

Nebraska is the only state in the nation with a unicameral (one-house) legislature. All other state legislatures have two houses. Nebraska's 49 legislators, called state senators, are elected from 49 districts, each with approximately the same number of residents.

Nebraska also has the nation's only nonpartisan legislature. Senators are elected with no party affiliation next to their names on the ballot, and the Legislature's speaker and committee chairpersons are selected without regard to their party membership.

Before 1937, Nebraska had a two-house, partisan legislature. In 1934, Nebraska voters adopted a constitutional amendment providing for a one-house, nonpartisan legislature. This proposal was submitted to voters through an initiative petition effort. The leading advocate of the proposal was U.S. Sen. George W. Norris, who said the two-house system was outdated and inefficient. For more information about the Nebraska Legislature, see Pages 270-312.



Constitutional amendments may be proposed by the state Legislature, by a constitutional convention or by the people. Amendments must be approved by voters at a regular or special election in order to be adopted.

The state constitution gives the people the power of initiative, which allows them to propose, by petition, constitutional amendments or statutory changes. The people also have the power of referendum, which may be invoked, by petition, against acts of the Legislature.

Like the federal government, Nebraska's government is divided into three branches: legislative, executive and judicial. Nebraska is the only state in the nation with a unicameral (one-house) legislature and the only state with a nonpartisan legislature. The 49 legislators, called state senators, serve four-year terms.

Nebraska's chief executive is the governor, who is elected for a four-year term. Other elected four-year term officials are the lieutenant governor, secretary of state, auditor of public accounts, treasurer and attorney general. Within the executive branch are various departments and agencies that perform a variety of functions.

<sup>45</sup> Source: Unicameral Information Office, Clerk of the Legislature.

Nebraska's judicial system is lead by a Supreme Court, comprised of a chief justice selected at large and six judges selected from six judicial districts in the state. Beneath this court are the Court of Appeals, district courts, county courts, a workers' compensation court, and separate juvenile courts in Douglas, Lancaster and Sarpy counties. Judges are appointed by the governor and must be approved periodically for retention by voters.

Since Nebraska's constitution allows no indebtedness, government expenses must be met on a pay-as-you-go basis. Most state revenues are generated through sales and income taxes. Other revenue sources include taxes on insurance premiums, gasoline, tobacco and liquor.

### *Nebraska State Capitol*

The seat of state government in Nebraska is the State Capitol. Nebraska had two territorial capitols in Omaha. Since achieving statehood, Nebraska has had three capitols in Lincoln. The current Capitol is considered one of the nation's greatest architectural achievements. The building was designed by architect Bertram G. Goodhue as both a practical working environment for state government and an inspiring monument for Nebraskans.

Goodhue assembled a three-person team to decorate the building: Lee Lawrie, sculptor; Hildreth Meiere, tile and mosaic designer; and Hartley B. Alexander, thematic consultant for inscription and symbolism. Clad in Indiana limestone, the Capitol's base is a cross within a square creating four interior courtyards. The square base measures 437 feet on each side. From the base's center rises a 400-foot domed tower, crowned with a 19-foot bronze figure, designed by Lawrie, called "The Sower," which represents agriculture, Nebraska's chief industry. A thematic progression of ornamentation extends from the principal second-floor entrance on the north, around the building's exterior and through its interior.

The building, furnishings and landscaping cost just less than the \$10 million budget. The money was secured by a special capitol levy, and all building expenses were paid upon completion in 1932. The four-phase construction was completed in 10 years. The building's construction was overseen by the original 1919



**State Capitol in Lincoln**

Capitol Commission composed of the governor, the state engineer and three members appointed by the governor.

The Capitol has been honored by the American Institute of Architects, the National Park Service, the Building Stone Institute and other groups.

## Local Government<sup>46</sup>

Nebraska has 93 counties, 67 of which have a commissioner form of government. These 67 are each governed by a board of commissioners with three, five or seven members, elected for four-year terms. The rest of the counties have a supervisor-township form of government. These are governed by seven-member boards of supervisors, also elected to four-year terms.

There are 530 cities and villages, or municipalities, in Nebraska. Most cities have a mayor-council form of government, while exceptions like Nebraska City have a commissioner form of government, and several others use the council-manager form. Most villages are governed by a five-member board of trustees. Nebraska's constitution grants the option of home rule to cities with more than 5,000 residents, meaning they may operate under their own charters. Only Lincoln and Omaha use this option.

## Tribal/Sovereign Governments<sup>47</sup>

Within Nebraska are four sovereign Native American tribes that have democratic forms of government. These tribes are the Omaha, Ponca, Santee Sioux and Winnebago. Tribal governments are governed by tribal constitutions, bylaws, ordinances and laws. The governing bodies are the tribal councils, made up of elected council members who serve a term as determined by the tribal constitution. Elections are held regularly as dictated by the tribal constitution, and tribal members are allowed to vote. Membership for the Omaha, Santee Sioux and Winnebago tribes is determined by a set blood quantum percentage, as determined by documented lineal descent. Membership in the Ponca Tribe, which has no blood quantum requirement, is determined solely by documented lineal descent.

Nebraska is a Public Law 280 state and did assume Public Law 280 jurisdiction over the tribes. Public Law 280 is the federal law that gave the states extensive jurisdiction over tribes, if the state chose to assume such jurisdiction. Nebraska has chosen to retrocede some Public Law 280 jurisdiction back to the federal government. The effect of this retrocession is that the Omaha, Winnebago and Santee tribes have their own judicial and law enforcement agencies, and the Ponca tribe has no such agencies.

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<sup>46</sup> For more information about local government in Nebraska, see Page 800.

<sup>47</sup> For more information on tribal government in Nebraska, see Page 147 (U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs) and Page 669 (Nebraska Commission on Indian Affairs).

# HISTORY<sup>48</sup>

## Earliest Records

Nebraska's fossil beds and glacial deposits show that it once was an inland sea bed that later was elevated above water. The area once had a tropical climate, but during a later period, glaciers covered the land. Archaeologists estimate that prehistoric people inhabited the area between 10,000 and 25,000 years ago, based on discoveries of stone tools and weapons. The earliest inhabitants were nomadic hunters, but centuries later, others came to the grasslands to hunt, fish and farm.

People entered and abandoned Nebraska as the climate fluctuated between long periods of drought and times of plentiful moisture. About one thousand years ago, a culture known as the Village Farmers came to the Plains and the population increased. The Village Farmers became more dependent on agriculture and lived in small villages made of square or rectangular earth-covered dwellings. The Plains population dwindled after A.D. 1300, possibly because of climate change, warfare or disease.

## Native American Tribes

Through the centuries, people entered and abandoned the Nebraska area as the climate fluctuated between long periods of drought and times of plentiful moisture. This constant movement created a diverse mixture of Native American languages and cultures.

The Pawnees and their northern relatives, the Arikaras, lived in the area the longest. They came from the south about four or five centuries ago and established villages along the Platte, Loup, Republican and other central Nebraska waterways. The Pawnees hunted buffalo on the plains and farmed beans, corn and squash. In the 18th century, the Omaha, Ponca and Oto tribes entered eastern Nebraska and lived near the Missouri River. Other tribes, such as the Teton Sioux (Lakotas), Arapahoes and Cheyennes, migrated westward from forested areas north and east of the Missouri River. Altogether, the various tribes living in the Nebraska area may have numbered about 40,000 people in 1800.

The Native Americans understood the world to have a unity or coherence. The Native Americans made no distinction between practical and religious activities. For example, among the Pawnees, sacred ceremonies were as essential as hoeing was to make corn grow.

In the 17th and 18th centuries, plains Native American cultures were profoundly influenced when Spanish intruders introduced horses. The Pawnees and Omahas quickly adapted horses for use on their long seasonal bison hunts into western Nebraska and central Kansas. Completely nomadic tribes such as the Lakotas developed cultures centered around horses. These tribes lived in tepees year-round and became dependent on bison for food, clothing, tools and other items.

When white explorers and fur traders began to penetrate the area in the 18th century, the Native Americans usually welcomed them and eagerly exchanged furs for

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<sup>48</sup> Information for this section compiled from the following sources: Nebraska State Historical Society; Nebraska Indian Commission; Nebraska Agricultural Statistics Service; *Nebraska: An Illustrated History*, Frederick C. Luebke, 1995; *History of Nebraska*, James C. Olson and Ronald Clinton Naugle, 1997.



Chief Red Cloud,  
Oglala Sioux

guns, blankets, clothing, alcohol and other items. Such contacts also spread diseases such as measles. Epidemics devastated the Native Americans.

Traditional Native American culture thrived in Nebraska until the 1830s. As white penetration of Nebraska increased, the U.S. government began negotiating with various tribes for cessions of Native American lands in Nebraska. These negotiations were not yet completed in the 1850s when Nebraska became a territory and land was made available to whites for ownership.

## Spanish and French Explorers

In 1541, Spanish explorer Francisco Vasquez de Coronado led an expedition across the U.S. Southwest into Kansas. He claimed the entire territory for Spain, although Spaniards never established settlements in Nebraska.

French explorer Rene Robert Cavalier, Sieur de La Salle, traveled down the Mississippi River to its mouth in 1682. He claimed all the land drained by the Mississippi, as well as its tributaries, for France. The land, which included Nebraska, was named “Louisiana” in honor of French King Louis XIV. During the 1690s and early 1700s, French traders and trappers moved into the Louisiana region. In 1714, French explorer Etienne Veniard de Bourgmont traveled up the Missouri River to the mouth of the Platte River.

Spain objected to France’s presence in the regions it claimed. In 1720, a Spanish expedition of 45 soldiers and 60 Pueblo Indian allies, led by Pedro de Villasur, marched into Nebraska to gain information on French activities. But in a battle by the Platte River, Pawnee Indians attacked and killed most of the Spaniards and several of the Pueblos.

In 1739, two French explorers, Pierre and Paul Mallet, set out from Illinois to Santa Fe, N.M., with a party of six Frenchmen. They named the Platte River and traveled nearly the entire length of present-day Nebraska.

In 1763, at the close of the Seven Years’ War in Europe, France gave up all its claims east of the Mississippi River to England and west of the Mississippi to Spain. However, French fur traders continued to operate in Nebraska. In 1800, French ruler Napoleon Bonaparte forced Spain to return the Louisiana Territory to France. He then sold the entire territory, which included Nebraska, to the United States in 1803. This transaction is commonly known as the Louisiana Purchase.

## U.S. Explorers and Fur Traders

The first U.S. expedition to visit Nebraska in 1804 to 1806 was led by Meriwether Lewis and William Clark, who traveled up the Missouri River and explored the state's eastern edge. In 1806, Lt. Zebulon Pike visited south-central Nebraska as part of a U.S. government program to explore the Louisiana Purchase.

The Spanish-American trader Manuel Lisa established trading posts along the Missouri River between 1807 and 1820. One established in 1812 was near the site where Lewis and Clark held council with the Native Americans, in present-day Washington County.

In 1811, the Hunt party of Astorians skirted Nebraska on its way to Oregon. The following year, fur agent Robert Stuart set out for New York City from the Astoria trading post in Oregon, entering Nebraska early in 1813. Stuart's seven-man party followed the North Platte River to its junction with the South Platte, then along the Platte to the Missouri River. This route later came to be known as the Oregon Trail.

In 1819, the U.S. Army established Nebraska's first military post, Fort Atkinson (near the present town of Fort Calhoun in Washington County), to protect the frontier. The fort, with more than 1,000 people, also became the site of Nebraska's first school, library, grist mill and brickyard before it was abandoned in 1827. The village of Bellevue, founded as a trading post on the Missouri River in 1823, became Nebraska's first permanent white settlement.

In 1820, Maj. Stephen Long, with a 20-man party, traveled from the Missouri River up the Platte River to the South Platte headwaters near present-day Denver. In his reports, Long described the area including western Nebraska as a "barren and uncongenial district" and "almost wholly unfit for cultivation, and of course uninhabitable by a people depending upon agriculture for their subsistence." A map drawn by the cartographer of Long's expedition labeled the region a "Great Desert."



Family in Covered Wagon

Beginning in 1824 and continuing through the 1840s, fur traders used the Platte River route heavily. In 1830, traders took the first wagons to the Rocky Mountains, showing the way for later emigrant caravans.

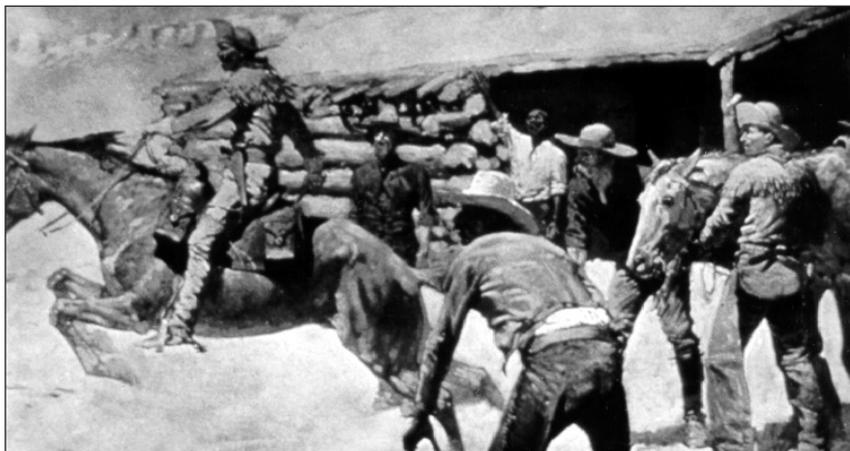
## Missionaries

The Rev. Moses Merrill and his wife, Eliza Wilcox Merrill, were the first resident missionaries to Nebraska's Native Americans. They arrived in Bellevue in 1833 and continued their work until Rev. Merrill's death in 1840. Samuel Allis and the Rev. John Dunbar, who arrived in Bellevue in 1834, served as missionaries to the Pawnee Tribe for 12 years. Father De Smet, a Catholic missionary, came to Nebraska in 1835, ministering to Native Americans west of the Missouri River for 35 years.

## The "Great Migration"

In the early 1840s, Nebraska's Platte River valley began to play an important role in the "Great Migration," the westward movement of thousands of pioneers. They followed trails crossing Nebraska, including the Oregon and California trails, which followed the Little Blue and Platte River valleys, and the Mormon Trail (Council Bluffs Road), which started from present-day Omaha and traveled along the north bank of the Platte River.

These trails were traveled extensively until railroad construction reached the Pacific Coast. Between April 3, 1860, and Oct. 24, 1861, Pony Express riders also followed the Platte River valley, carrying mail to the west coast. Fort Kearny was established in 1848 near the present-day city of Kearney to protect travelers crossing Nebraska.



The Pony Express

In 1831, the steamboat *Yellowstone* began the first annual fur-trading voyages up the Missouri River, stopping at points along the Nebraska border. The steamboat was an important form of transportation until the construction of railroads in the 1860s, with 40 to 50 steamboats involved in river trade.

From 1834 until the Nebraska Territory was established in 1854, the U.S. government designated the area as “Indian country,” refusing to allow white families to settle there. Between 1830 and 1854, rugged frontier conditions prevailed. The only white settlements of any size were Fort Kearny, Fort Laramie and Bellevue.

## Nebraska Territory

The word “Nebraska” first began to appear in publications in 1842, when Lt. John C. Fremont explored the plains and mountains of the western United States. His report mentions the “Nebraska River,” the Oto Indian name for the Platte River. The term was taken from the Oto word “Nebrathka” meaning “flat water.” U.S. Secretary of War William Wilkins, in his report of Nov. 30, 1844, stated: “The Platte or Nebraska River being the central stream would very properly furnish a name to the (proposed) territory.”

The first bill to organize the new Nebraska Territory, introduced in Congress on Dec. 17, 1844, by Illinois Congressman (later Senator) Stephen Douglas, failed to pass. Douglas and other Midwestern politicians wanted the territory organized so a future transcontinental railroad could be built across the Plains. Another bill, called the Kansas-Nebraska Act, was passed after a long, bitter struggle and signed by President Franklin Pierce on May 30, 1854. The struggle between the slave and free states for control in the Nebraska region gave rise to the Republican Party and caused border conflicts before the Civil War. Slaves were first bought and sold in the 1850s in Nebraska City and, at one time, the Underground Railroad may have operated in Nebraska.

The Kansas-Nebraska Act officially created the Kansas and Nebraska territories, opening the area to settlement west of the Missouri River. The Nebraska Territory’s boundaries extended from the 40th parallel to the Canadian border and from the Missouri River to the Continental Divide, including parts of present-day Montana, North and South Dakota, Wyoming and Colorado, as well as Nebraska. By 1863, Congress created several more new territories from this region, reducing the Nebraska Territory to about the state’s present size.

President Pierce appointed Francis Burt of South Carolina as the first governor of the Nebraska Territory. When Burt died two days after taking the oath of office on Oct. 16, 1854, the territory’s secretary, Thomas Cuming, became acting governor. Cuming organized the territorial government and took a census so that legislative elections could be held.

A struggle between the new town of Omaha and the old town of Bellevue to be the territorial capital was decided in favor of Omaha by Cuming, who called the first session of the Legislature to meet there. However, the issue was not settled until Nebraska achieved statehood in 1867, when the capital was moved to Lancaster, now known as Lincoln.

During Nebraska's early territorial days, settling the countryside, land and currency laws, the proposed transcontinental railroad, the capital's location, the rivalry between regions north and south of the Platte River, the Republican Party formation, and the defeat of the first efforts to make Nebraska a state were the prevalent issues of the time. The territory's population grew from 2,732 in November 1854 to 28,841 in 1860.

## **Effect of the Civil War and Railroad Construction**

The election of Abraham Lincoln as president and the Civil War that followed had a significant effect on Nebraska. The First Nebraska Infantry, led by Col. John M. Thayer, was raised for service in the Union Army. Nebraska's entry into the Union was delayed until after the Civil War ended.

In 1865, the Union Pacific Railroad began building a line extending westward from Omaha. This line stretched across Nebraska two years later. By the mid-1880s, the Burlington Railroad lines crisscrossed the state. Many railroads received land grants from state and federal governments to offset construction costs. These lands were sold to new settlers through extensive advertising campaigns. The railroads sent company representatives and pamphlets, which included glowing descriptions of Nebraska's farmland, to people in the eastern United States and even Europe. These campaigns, plus an influx of Civil War veterans seeking land, swelled Nebraska's population to 122,993 by 1870.

## **Statehood**

In early 1867, Congress passed an act admitting Nebraska to the Union, provided that the Nebraska Legislature remove a clause in its proposed state constitution that limited the right to vote to free white males. President Andrew Johnson, convinced that the imposition of this condition on the state constitution was a violation of the U.S. Constitution, vetoed the act, but Congress overrode his veto. Johnson, a Democrat, also did not want Nebraska admitted to the Union because the territory had a Republican majority.

Nebraska joined the Union as the 37th state on March 1, 1867. The people elected David Butler as the first governor, and Lincoln was selected as the site of the state capital on July 29. A state university and agriculture college were established on Feb. 15, 1869.

## **Hard Times**

Beginning in 1873, a combination of problems slowed the state's growth and development. Between 1874 and 1877, swarms of grasshoppers severely damaged farmers' oat, barley, corn and wheat crops. Discouraged, many settlers left their land and returned to the East. However, another wave of settlers took their place in the 1880s.

Nebraska settlers were tested by falling land prices in the 1890s. Land prices, which

had soared during the 1880s, collapsed in 1890 because of drought, overuse of credit and low prices for farmers' products.

Farmers blamed the railroads, banks and other business interests for their problems. Many farmers joined the new Farmers' Alliance organization, which opposed high freight costs imposed by the railroads.

Many Nebraska farmers also joined the Populist Party, which advocated agricultural reforms. The Populists nearly carried the state in the presidential election of 1892, and from 1895 to 1901, they held the governor's office.

Nebraska also supplied national leadership for the Populist movement. William Jennings Bryan of Nebraska won election to Congress and served two terms (1891-95). In 1896, he unsuccessfully ran for president as a Democrat on an essentially Populist platform. He was nominated twice more as the Democratic presidential candidate but was not elected, although he served as U.S. secretary of state.

## **African Americans in Nebraska after the Civil War**

Following the Civil War, African Americans began establishing themselves in Nebraska. In 1860, there were an estimated 82 African Americans in the state. By 1900 that number had risen to 6,269. Most African Americans moved to Omaha, where chances were greater of finding work. Most opportunities for employment were found with the railroads, packing houses or other labor fields. The 1910 census, however, indicates that one physician and surgeon, 25 musicians and teachers of music, and 14 clergymen of African American descent lived in Nebraska.

History books indicate that African Americans contributed to the settlement of Nebraska. In 1870, Robert Anderson was the first African American to file a homestead claim in Butler County. Other homesteaders included L.B. Mattingly, who resided near David City; David Patrick, who lived in Hamilton County; and the Speece and Shores families, who settled in Custer County.

African American organizations such as the Women's Club in 1895 began to emerge in Omaha, as did newspapers such as *The Progress*, the *Afro-American Sentinel* and *The Enterprise* in the 1880s and 1890s.

Many African Americans distinguished themselves in public life: Dr. Matthew O. Ricketts was the first African American to serve in the Nebraska Legislature in 1892, Silas Robbins was the first African American to be admitted to the Nebraska State Bar Association in 1895, and Clarence W. Wigington was the first African American to design a home in Nebraska.

## **Settlement of Western Nebraska**

The development of irrigation and new dryland farming methods during the 1890s and early 1900s greatly contributed to the settlement of western Nebraska. Congress passed the Reclamation Act of 1902, which earmarked federal aid for irrigation projects. New crops, such as winter wheat, alfalfa and sugar beets, also helped make farming viable in western Nebraska.



**The Shores Family, 1887, Custer County**

Settlers wishing to farm in western Nebraska were frequently opposed, sometimes with armed violence, by ranchers who had preceded them. The farmers rejoiced when Congress passed the Kinkaid Act of 1904, which provided for 640-acre homesteads in western Nebraska. The act triggered a new population boom in the Sandhills area. But when the new settlers found much of the land unsuitable for farming, they sold their homesteads to cattle ranchers.

## **World War I and the Great Depression**

World War I had a notable effect on life in Nebraska. The state furnished 47,801 men for the war, and about 1,500 soldiers were killed in the line of duty. The state also gave about \$300 million to war causes and contributed food to the war effort. Demand for the state's farm products brought new economic prosperity.

But when the war was over, the economic boom collapsed. The 1929 stock market crash caused farm prices to fall even further. The Great Depression that followed, together with a severe drought that hit the Great Plains, created economic disaster for farmers. Many faced bankruptcy and loss of their land to banks and insurance companies.

However, some farmers refused to give up their land. By 1932, conditions had become so desperate that groups of farmers began preventing foreclosures by threatening physical violence at public land sales. Sympathetic sheriffs often refused to carry out court orders for the public sale of land marked for foreclosure. In 1933, Gov. Charles Bryan imposed a moratorium on farm foreclosures. Federal aid came to Nebraska farmers through New Deal long-term, low-interest loans and other relief programs.

## Progressive Legislation

Many progressive laws were enacted in Nebraska between 1890 and 1940. Among the measures adopted were provisions for the Australian ballot, direct primary election, and initiative and referendum. (The Australian ballot is an official ballot, on which the names of all candidates and proposals appear, that is distributed only at the polling place and marked in secret.) Nebraska women gained the right to vote in 1920 after Congress passed and states ratified the 19th amendment. The state's educational system was greatly expanded. High school education was made available to all students, and a public-ownership-of-textbooks law was passed. A state highway system was built from money raised by a new gasoline tax and federal aid. During the 1930s, the state enacted Social Security legislation and imposed new liquor and head taxes, along with other gasoline taxes, to furnish funds for state aid. Another significant development during this period was the creation of a unicameral (one-house) legislature, the first of its kind in the nation.<sup>49</sup>

## World War II

With the advent of World War II, which created new demand for farm products, Nebraska's economy began to improve significantly. Farmers increased beef cattle production and produced millions of tons of corn, potatoes, oats and wheat to help meet food shortages. Besides food, the state sent some 128,000 soldiers to the war, 3,839 of whom died in the service. Nebraskans bought more than \$1 billion worth of war supplies and contributed more than \$8 million to the Red Cross and the National War Fund. Manufacturing plants in the state produced more than \$1.2 billion worth of war supplies.

## Developments Since World War II

The end of World War II ushered in prosperity which has, for the most part, continued to the present day. In 1944, Congress passed the Pick-Sloan Missouri Basin Project, which authorized the creation of flood control dams, reservoirs and hydroelectric plants in states drained by the Missouri River, including Nebraska. Spectacular growth in irrigation has occurred across the state and, with the invention of the pivot system, thousands of acres of dry land have been made productive. However, intensive irrigation and water pollution have caused concern about the future of the state's water supply, generating controversy between land developers and environmentalists.

Since the 1950s, Nebraska farms have become larger in size and fewer in number. The average farm size has grown from 444 acres in 1950 to 885 acres in 1997, while the total number of farms has dropped from 109,000 to about 51,500. Machinery and modern farming methods have made agriculture more efficient, thereby decreasing the need for farm workers. This trend has caused many rural residents to move to larger communities in search of jobs.

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<sup>49</sup> See Pages 55 and 272 for further information about the establishment of Nebraska's unicameral legislature.

This population shift has generated new efforts to increase industry in Nebraska. During the 1960s, manufacturing employment increased sharply, partly as a result of campaigns to attract new businesses to the state. Service industries also have experienced rapid growth. Expanding and diversifying Nebraska's economy remains a top priority in state government today.

Nebraskans experienced some of the racial unrest more commonly associated with the country's larger urban areas. Civil rights demonstrations in Omaha in 1963 led to the creation of the Omaha Human Rights Commission, and in 1966, 1968 and 1969, race riots required intervention by the military and the National Guard.

Many changes in education have occurred in Nebraska since World War II. The University of Nebraska was reorganized to include campuses in Lincoln and Omaha, with central administration in Lincoln. Kearney State College was added to the university system in 1991. A state-supported system of community colleges was created in 1971. Following passage of the Nebraska Educational Television Act in 1963, Nebraska became one of the first states to broadcast educational programming to the entire state. At the elementary and secondary level, many school districts have been consolidated, reflecting the decline in rural Nebraska's population.

In the mid-1970s, many Nebraska farmers borrowed heavily to expand their operations. But with the nationwide recession of the early 1980s, land values collapsed, and many farmers were unable to repay their loans in full. Many people have left farming altogether, thereby weakening the economic base of many rural communities. As a result, these communities have stepped up efforts to attract new industries and expand existing ones. To stimulate economic growth, the 1987 Legislature adopted two measures that authorized tax incentives for businesses intending to create new jobs in Nebraska.

## Top 10 Nebraska News Stories, 2013<sup>50</sup>

1. A touchdown run by 7-year-old Jack Hoffman during the Nebraska Cornhusker spring intrasquad game drew national attention. Video of the young cancer patient's 69-yard run won an ESPY award as the "Best Moment" of the year.

2. Lt. Gov. Rick Sheehy resigned after revelations that he made thousands of calls to women other than his wife on a state-issued cellphone. University of Nebraska Regent Lavon Heidemann was sworn into office two weeks later.

3. U.S. Sen. Mike Johanns announced in February that he would not seek a second term.

4. An October blizzard decimated cattle herds in western Nebraska ranching country.

5. Former U.S. Sen. Chuck Hagel was confirmed to become secretary of defense in the Obama administration.

6. An early October tornado in the northeast Nebraska community of Wayne caused millions of dollars in damage.

7 (tie). Anthony Garcia, an Indiana doctor fired from a Creighton University medical school program a decade ago, was charged with the murders of four people associated with the program.

7 (tie). The decision to replace an outdated Grand Island home with a new Central Nebraska Veterans Home in Kearney drew protest from Hall County leaders who wished to see the facility stay in Grand Island.

8. In January, the governor approved a route through the state for the Keystone XL pipeline.

9. Speculation mounted regarding the looming governor's race. Gov. Dave Heineman, who has held the position since 2005, must leave office in 2015 due to term limits.

10. The Huskers finished a disappointing regular season at 8-4, plagued by injuries. Head coach Bo Pelini kept his job, however, with a vote of confidence from the athletic director.

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<sup>50</sup>Source: Associated Press; surveys of Nebraska newspaper editors and broadcast news directors.

## Top 10 Nebraska News Stories, 2014

1. Officials acknowledged the early release of hundreds of state prison inmates, despite Nebraska Supreme Court rulings regarding the correct calculation of prison sentences. The discovery by the Omaha World-Herald led to an unprecedented roundup of former inmates, the early retirement of two top prison attorneys and calls for additional reforms.

2. A tornado destroyed much of the northwest Nebraska town of Pilger in June. A 5-year-old girl died and dozens of people were injured.

3. Nebraska head football coach Bo Pelini was fired after seven seasons. He was replaced by Oregon State head coach Mike Riley.

4. The Nebraska Medical Center's biocontainment unit successfully treated an American aid worker for Ebola in September. The Omaha hospital later treated two other patients: a video journalist, who survived, and a doctor from Sierra Leone, who died soon after arriving at the hospital in November.

5. The November election saw Pete Ricketts win the race to replace term-limited Gov. Dave Heineman. Voters elected Ben Sasse to replace U.S. Sen. Mike Johanns, who chose not to seek a second term, and incumbent Lee Terry lost in Omaha's 2nd Congressional District to Democratic state Sen. Brad Ashford.

6. Voters approved a ballot measure that will raise the state's minimum wage to \$9 an hour by 2016. The measure failed to pass during the 2014 legislative session, but was placed on the November ballot through a statewide initiative petition process.

7. In February, a Nebraska judge struck down a law that allowed the Keystone XL pipeline to proceed through the state, throwing the project into legal limbo.

8. Severe spring storms damaged several communities. Tornadoes in eastern Nebraska on Mother's Day caused extensive damage in Beaver Crossing and Sutton. A few weeks later, storms generated baseball-size hail and strong winds in Blair, Craig, Fort Calhoun and Uehling.

9. Lt. Gov. Lavon Heidemann resigned from office in September and withdrew as Pete Ricketts' running mate after a judge granted a domestic violence protection order against him, which was brought by his sister. State Sen. John Nelson of Omaha replaced Heidemann as lieutenant governor and State Auditor Mike Foley was chosen as Ricketts' new running mate.

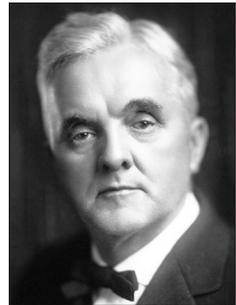
10. Prison overcrowding prompted lawmakers to examine supervised release programs in Nebraska and possible reform of the state's "good time" system, which awards credit to reduce prison sentences.

## NEBRASKA HALL OF FAME<sup>51</sup>

The Nebraska Hall of Fame was established in 1961 to officially recognize prominent Nebraskans. The Hall of Fame honors people (1) who were born in Nebraska, (2) who gained prominence while living in Nebraska, or (3) who lived in Nebraska and whose residence in Nebraska was an important influence on their lives and contributed to their greatness.

The Nebraska Hall of Fame Commission, which has members appointed by the governor, names people to the Hall of Fame.<sup>52</sup> Until 1996, the commission named one person every two years, except when two people were named in the first two years of the Hall of Fame's existence, and four people were selected in 1976 in honor of the nation's bicentennial. Legislation passed in 1998 provides that no more than one person can be added to the Hall of Fame every five years. The 1998 legislation also provides that no person can be considered for the Hall of Fame until at least 35 years after his or her death. Busts of Hall of Fame members are displayed in the State Capitol and in other commission-approved locations.

**George W. Norris (1861-1944)**, U.S. House of Representatives 1903-13, U.S. Senate 1913-43. Initiator of reform of House rules, anti-injunction law for labor, Tennessee Valley Authority, rural electrification and 20th amendment to U.S. Constitution. Sponsor of Nebraska Unicameral Legislature. Lived in Beatrice, Beaver City and McCook. Inducted into Hall of Fame 1961.



George W. Norris

**Willa Cather (1873-1947)**, Pulitzer Prize-winning author. "The history of every country begins in the heart of a man or a woman" (from Cather's book *O Pioneers!*). Lived in Red Cloud. Inducted into Hall of Fame 1962.



Willa Cather

<sup>51</sup> Source: Nebraska State Historical Society.

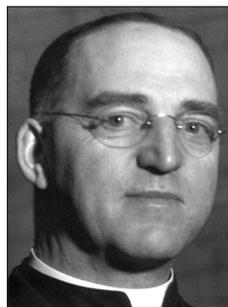
<sup>52</sup> See Page 728 for more details on the Nebraska Hall of Fame Commission.

**John J. Pershing (1860-1949)**, soldier. Commandant of cadets, University of Nebraska, 1891-95; founder, Pershing Rifles; service, Indian Wars, Cuba, Philippines; commander, Mexican Border, 1916; commander, American Expeditionary Forces, France, 1917-19; general, Armies of the United States, 1919; and Army chief of staff, 1921-24. Lived in Lincoln. Inducted into Hall of Fame 1963-64.



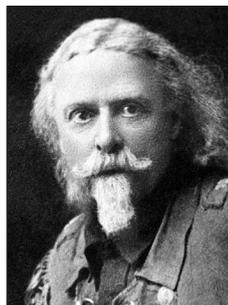
**John J. Pershing**

**Edward J. f (1886-1948)**, founder of Father Flanagan's Boys Home, Boys Town. "I have never found a boy who really wanted to be bad." Lived in Omaha and Boys Town. Inducted into Hall of Fame 1965-66.



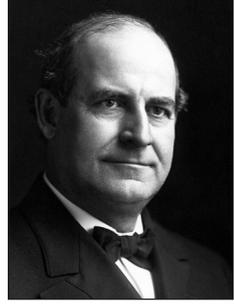
**Edward J. Flanagan**

**William Frederick Cody (1846-1917)**, a.k.a. "Buffalo Bill," soldier, buffalo hunter, Army scout, actor, rancher, irrigationist and showman of the West. Lived in North Platte. Inducted into Hall of Fame 1967-68.



**William Frederick Cody**

**William Jennings Bryan (1860-1925)**, three-time Democratic Party nominee for president of the United States, U.S. congressman, U.S. secretary of state, orator, religious leader and author. Lived in Lincoln. Inducted into Hall of Fame 1969-70.



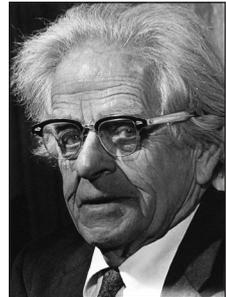
**William Jennings Bryan**

**Bess Streeter Aldrich (1881-1954)**, author. Aldrich, narrator of Nebraska, gave literary life to Nebraska pioneer memories and honored the trials and dreams of settlers, that all may realize and cherish their heritage. One Aldrich novel, *A Lantern in her Hand*, was translated into many languages. Lived in Elmwood and Lincoln. Inducted into Hall of Fame 1971-72.



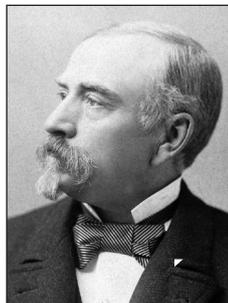
**Bess Streeter Aldrich**

**John Gneisenau Neihardt (1881-1973)**, named Nebraska Poet Laureate in 1921. Epic poet of the West, historian, philosopher and friend of the American Indian. “My God and I shall interknit as rain and ocean, breath and air; and O, the luring thought of it is prayer” (from Neihardt’s poem *L’Envoi*). Lived in Wayne and Bancroft. Inducted into Hall of Fame 1973-74.



**John Gneisenau Neihardt**

**J. Sterling Morton (1832-1902)**, father of Arbor Day, U.S. secretary of agriculture, editor, farmer, legislator and Nebraska territorial secretary. “Other holidays repose upon the past. Arbor Day proposes for the future.” Lived in Nebraska City. Inducted into Hall of Fame 1975-76.



**J. Sterling Morton**

**Grace Abbott (1873-1939)**, social reformer and social worker. A native Nebraskan internationally honored for her courageous and effective championship of children and mothers and for her promotion of pioneer social legislation of enduring benefit to U.S. citizens. Born and raised in Grand Island. Inducted into Hall of Fame 1975-76.



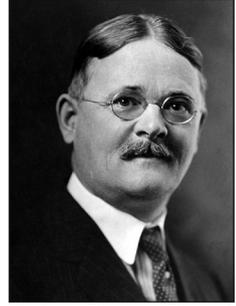
**Grace Abbott**

**Mari Sandoz (1896-1966)**, novelist, historian and friend of the Indian. “The real frontier lies in the stimulation of the creative mind of man.” Born in Sheridan County near Gordon; lived in Lincoln. Inducted into Hall of Fame 1975-76.



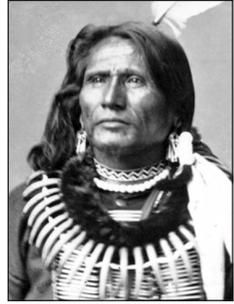
**Mari Sandoz**

**Nathan Roscoe Pound (1870-1964)**, botanist, pioneer ecologist, dean of University of Nebraska Law College and dean of Harvard Law School. Born and raised in Lincoln. Inducted into Hall of Fame 1975-76.



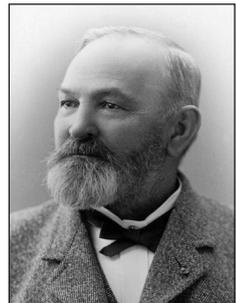
Nathan Roscoe Pound

**Standing Bear (1829-1908)**, Ponca Indian chief; symbol for Indian rights. “I have found a better way” (Standing Bear). “An Indian is a person within the meaning of the law” (Judge Elmer Dundy). Probably born in northeast Nebraska; lived near the mouth of the Niobrara River in present Knox County at the time of his death. Inducted into Hall of Fame 1977-78.



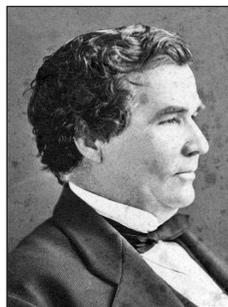
Standing Bear

**Robert W. Furnas (1824-1905)**, newspaperman, soldier, historian, Nebraska governor 1873-75 and agriculturist. Lived in Brownville. Inducted into Hall of Fame 1979-80.



Robert W. Furnas

**Edward Creighton (1820-74)**, telegraph pioneer and banker. Lived in Omaha. Inducted into Hall of Fame 1981-82.



Edward Creighton

**Susette LaFlesche Tibbles (1854-1903)**, Omaha Indian, a.k.a. “Inshata Theumba” or “Bright Eyes,” speaker and writer for Indian rights. Born in Bellevue; raised on Omaha reservation in Thurston County near Macy; lived in Lincoln; died in Bancroft. Inducted into Hall of Fame 1983-84.



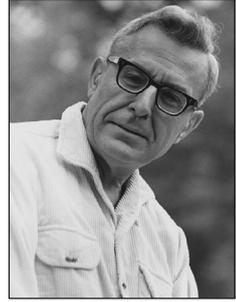
Susette LaFlesche Tibbles

**Gilbert M. Hitchcock (1859-1934)**, newspaperman and politician. Founder of the *Omaha World-Herald* in 1889; U.S. House of Representatives 1902-04 and 1906-11; U.S. Senate 1911-22. Born in Omaha; lived in Omaha. Inducted into Hall of Fame 1985-86.



Gilbert M. Hitchcock

**Loren Eiseley (1907-77)**, anthropologist, poet and philosopher of science. Born in Lincoln; lived in Lincoln. Inducted into Hall of Fame 1987-88.



**Loren Eiseley**

**Hartley Burr Alexander (1873-1939)**, anthropologist, poet, philosopher, educator and authority on North American Indian mythology. Best known as author of the symbolism and inscriptions on the Nebraska State Capitol and other buildings across the United States. Born in Lincoln; raised in Syracuse; lived in Lincoln. Inducted into Hall of Fame 1989-90.



**Hartley Burr Alexander**

**Arthur Weimar Thompson (1886-1970)**, premier auctioneer. In a 46-year career, Thompson called more than 7,500 livestock sales from New York to California and from Canada to Mexico. World's *Who's Who* recognized Thompson as "the leading purebred livestock auctioneer in the United States and Canada." Born in Bradshaw; lived in Lincoln. Inducted into Hall of Fame 1991-92.



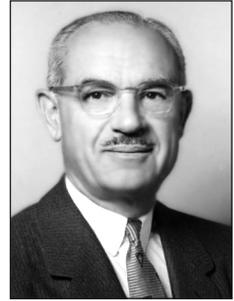
**Arthur Weimar Thompson**

**Dwight Palmer Griswold (1893-1954)**, banker, publisher, Nebraska governor 1941-47, U.S. senator 1953-54, chief of the American mission for aid to Greece 1947-48. Born in Harrison; raised in Gordon. Inducted into Hall of Fame 1993-94.



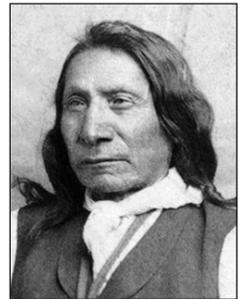
**Dwight Palmer Griswold**

**Nathan J. Gold (1894-1970)**, businessman, civic leader, philanthropist and Nebraska booster. Lived in Lincoln. Inducted into Hall of Fame 1995-96.



**Nathan J. Gold**

**Red Cloud (1822-1909)**, statesman, war leader of the Oglala Sioux. Born in what became Garden County, he rose to leadership in the early 1860s. Red Cloud opposed westward expansion and in 1868 forced the government to abandon the Bozeman Trail in Wyoming. From 1873-77 the Red Cloud Agency was located on the White River in northwest Nebraska. He sought to ease his peoples' painful transition to reservation life. Inducted into Hall of Fame 2000-01.



**Red Cloud**

**Charles E. Bessey (1845-1915)**, nationally known University of Nebraska professor of botany and horticulture, 1884-1915, and author of federal legislation establishing agricultural experimentation stations at land-grant universities. Bessey's experiments with tree planting in the Nebraska Sandhills, and his tireless promotion of the idea, led to the establishment of the man-made Nebraska National Forest by President Theodore Roosevelt in 1902. Inducted into Hall of Fame 2007.



**Charles E. Bessey**

**Alvin Saunders Johnson (1874-1971)**, internationally recognized economist, educator, humanitarian, author and social activist. Johnson was editor of *The New Republic* and founded the New School for Social Research in New York City — the model for American adult education — which he led for 22 years. Born near Homer; educated at the University of Nebraska. Inducted into Hall of Fame 2014.



**Alvin Saunders Johnson**

## MEDAL OF HONOR RECIPIENTS

Nebraskans who receive the Medal of Honor also are inducted into the Nebraska Hall of Fame. Individuals selected include people who have been awarded the Medal of Honor for service within Nebraska and native Nebraskans and others who have been residents for at least two years before or after their military service.

### Civil War

Bates, Delavan  
 Bourke, John G.  
 Coates, Jefferson  
 Duncan, James K.L.  
 Flanagan, Augustin  
 Hanks, Joseph  
 Henry, Guy V.  
 Howe, Orion P.  
 Johnston, David H.  
 Josselyn, Simeon T.

McConnell, Samuel  
 Miller, Jacob C.  
 Miller, James P.  
 Prentice, Joseph R.  
 Shapland, John  
 Traynor, Andrew  
 Vifquain, Victor  
 Widick, Andrew J.  
 Williams, William H.

### Indian Campaigns

Babcock, John B.  
 Butler, Edmund  
 Canfield, Heth  
 Cody, William F.  
 Co-rux-d-kah-Wadde (Traveling Bear)  
 Day, Matthias W.  
 Denny, John  
 Foley, John H.  
 Grant, George  
 Herron, Leander  
 Heyl, Charles H.  
 Himmelsback, Michael  
 Hubbard, Thomas  
 Johnson, Henry

Jordan, George  
 Leonard, Patrick J.  
 Leonard, Patrick T.  
 Lewis, William B.  
 Lohnes, Francis W.  
 Lytton, Jephtha L.  
 Miller, George  
 Mott, John  
 Stance, Emanuel  
 Strayer, William H.  
 Thompson, George W.  
 Vokes, Leroy H.  
 Wilson, William O.

### War with Spain

Ehle, John W.

Meredith, James

### 1901-1911

Schmidt, Otto Diller

### Philippines, 1911

Volz, Jacob

# MEDAL OF HONOR RECIPIENTS (CONT'D.)

## World War I

Holderman, Nelson M.

Rickenbacker, Edward V.

## World War II

Baker, Vernon  
 Bauer, Harold W.  
 Booker, Robert D.  
 Cowan, Richard E.  
 Hansen, Dale M.  
 Lindstrom, Floyd K.

Parle, John J.  
 Powers, Leo J.  
 Schwab, Donald K.  
 Tominac, John J.  
 Treadwell, Jack L.

## Korean Conflict

Gomez, Edward

Kouma, Ernest R.

## Vietnam Conflict

Coker, Ronald L.  
 Fous, James W.  
 Hagemeister, Charles C.  
 Hibbs, Robert J.

Keith, Miguel  
 Kerrey, Joseph R.  
 Young, Gerald O.

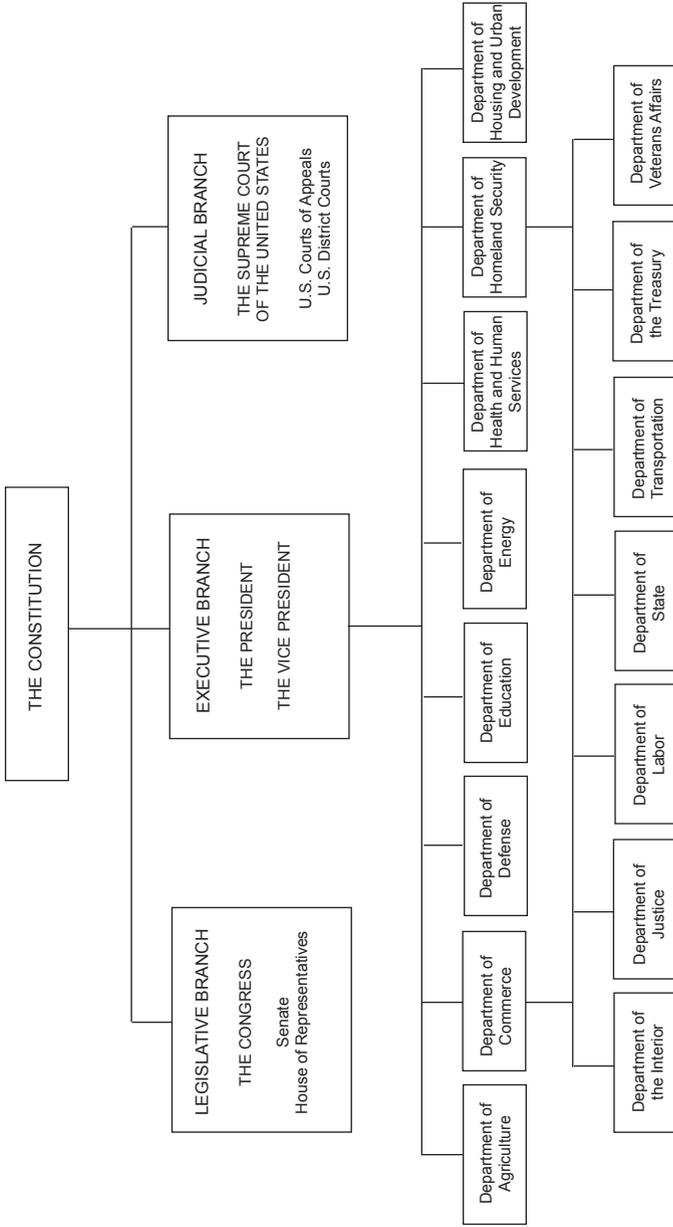
## Somalia Campaign

Shughart, Randall D.



**U.S. GOVERNMENT**

The Government of the United States\*



\* Source: The United States Government Manual 2013-14.



**U.S. LEGISLATIVE BRANCH**

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## CONGRESS<sup>1</sup>

**U.S. Senate:** The Capitol, Washington, D.C. 20510, phone (202) 224-3121, website — [www.senate.gov](http://www.senate.gov)

**U.S. House of Representatives:** The Capitol, Washington, D.C. 20515, phone (202) 225-3121, website — [www.house.gov](http://www.house.gov)

The Congress of the United States was created by Article 1, Section 1 of the U.S. Constitution, which provides that “All legislative Powers herein granted shall be vested in a Congress of the United States, which shall consist of a Senate and House of Representatives.”

The Senate has 100 members, two from each state, who are elected for six-year terms. There are three classes of senators, and a new class is elected every two years.

The House of Representatives has 435 members. The number representing each state is determined by population, and every state is entitled to at least one representative. Each representative serves for a two-year term.

Senators and representatives must be residents of the state from which they are elected. In addition, a senator must be at least 30 years old and have been a U.S. citizen for at least nine years. A representative must be at least 25 years old and have been a citizen for at least seven years.

## Nebraska’s Congressional Delegates

Nebraska has two senators and three representatives based on recent U.S. Census figures. In the past, the number of Nebraska representatives has been as few as one and as many as six. From 1867 to 1883, the state had one representative. The state had three from 1883 to 1893, six until 1933, five until 1943, four until 1963 and three since 1963.<sup>2</sup>

The map on Page 85 shows current congressional districts. These district boundaries are redrawn, based on population, after each U.S. census.

Nebraska senators and representatives maintain offices and residences in Nebraska, as well as in Washington, D.C.<sup>3</sup>

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<sup>1</sup>Source: *The United States Government Manual 2013-14*.

<sup>2</sup>See historical rosters of Nebraska’s senators and representatives on Pages 90-93.

<sup>3</sup>Addresses and phone numbers for Nebraska members of Congress are listed with their biographies on Pages 86-89.



## Nebraska U.S. Senators, 2015



### BEN SASSE

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**Kearney Office:** 4111 4th Ave., Suite 26, Kearney, NE 68845, phone (308) 233-3677

**Lincoln Office:** 287 Federal Building, 100 Centennial Mall North, Lincoln, NE 68508, phone (402) 476-1400

**Scottsbluff Office:** 115 Railway St., Suite C102, Scottsbluff, NE 69361, phone (308) 632-6032

**Elected to U.S. Senate:** 2014

**Political Party:** Republican

**Committees:** Agriculture, Nutrition and Forestry; Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs; Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs; Joint Economic; Special Committee on Aging

**Biography:** Born Feb. 22, 1972, in Plainview. Graduate of Fremont High School, 1990; Harvard University (bachelor's degree), 1994; St. John's College (master's degree), 1998; Yale University (master's degree and Ph.D.), 2004. Married

Melissa McLeod; three children: Corrie, Alex and Breck. Former college president; consultant, Boston Consulting Group; chief of staff, U.S. Department of Justice Office of Legal Policy; chief of staff to Rep. Fortenberry, U.S. House of Representatives; assistant secretary, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; executive director, Christians United for Reform; executive director, Alliance of Confessing Evangelicals.

## Nebraska U.S. Senators, 2015 (Cont'd.)

### DEB FISCHER

**Home Address:** P.O. Box 54, Valentine, NE 69201, phone (402) 376-2744

**Washington Office:** 383 Russell Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20510, phone (202) 224-6551, fax (202) 228-1325, website — [www.fischer.senate.gov](http://www.fischer.senate.gov)

**Lincoln Office:** 440 N. Eighth St., Suite 120, Lincoln, NE 68508, phone (402) 441-4600, fax (402) 476-8753

**Omaha Office:** 11819 Miracle Hills Drive, Suite 205, Omaha, NE 68154, phone (402) 391-3411, fax (402) 391-4725

**Kearney Office:** 20 W. 23rd St., Kearney, NE 68847, phone (308) 234-2361, fax (308) 234-3684

**Scottsbluff Office:** 1110 Circle Drive, Suite F2, Scottsbluff, NE 69361, phone (308) 630-2329, fax (308) 630-2321

**Elected to U.S. Senate:** 2012

**Political Party:** Republican

**Committees:** Armed Services; Commerce, Science and Transportation; Environment and Public Works; Small Business and Entrepreneurship

**Biography:** Born Debra Strobel, March 1, 1951, in Lincoln. Graduate of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln (B.S. in education), 1988. Married Bruce Fischer, Feb. 5, 1972; three children: Adam Carl, Morgan Thomas and Luke Christopher; one grandchild. Rancher, Sunny Slope Ranch. **Member:** Executive committee, National Conference of State Legislators; co-chairperson, energy committee, Midwestern Legislative Conference (MLC); executive committee, MLC; AgBuilders of Nebraska; Sandhills Cattle Association; Nebraska Cattlemen; Nebraska Cattlewomen; National Cattlemen's Beef Association; Society for Range Management; Sandhills Area Foundation; Nebraska Farm Bureau; UNL Chancellor's Club; life member, UNL Alumni Association; American Legion Auxiliary; PEO; Gamma Phi Beta; life member, Nebraska LEAD Alumni Association. **Former member:** Valentine Rural High School Board of Education; commissioner, Nebraska Coordinating Commission for Post-Secondary Education; Valentine Rural High School Foundation (president); University of Nebraska President's Advisory Council; UNL Chancellor's Committee of Visitors; Nebraska Association of School Boards (president, board of directors); Nebraska School Finance Review Committee (two terms); Nebraska Agricultural Leadership Council (board of directors); Governor's Ag Advisory Council; Cherry County Visitor Promotion Committee; Cub Scouts and 4-H club leader. **Honors and awards:** BILLD Fellow, Midwest Council of State Governments Bowhay Institute for Legislative Leadership, 2005; NRD Farm and Ranch Conservation Award, 1999; Nebraska Association of School Boards Lifetime Achievement Award, 1999; Nebraska Rural Community Schools Association Outstanding Board Member Award, 1998-99; Nebraska Cattlemen Environmental Stewardship Award, 1995; Rangeman's Award, Nebraska Section Society for Range Management, 1994; NRD State Grasslands Conservation Award, 1993; Holism Action Award, Nebraska Branch Holistic Resource Management, 1991; Kellogg Fellow, National Center for Food and Policy Research, Resources for the Future, Washington, D.C., 1991; LEAD VIII Fellow, Nebraska Leadership Program, 1988-90.



## Nebraska U.S. Representatives, 2015



### JEFF FORTENBERRY

### DISTRICT 1

**Home Address:** Lincoln, NE 68510

**Washington Office:** 1514 Longworth House Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20515, phone (202) 225-4806, fax (202) 225-5686, website – <http://fortenberry.house.gov>

**Fremont Office:** P.O. Box 377, 641 N. Broad St., Fremont, NE 68026, phone (402) 727-0888

**Lincoln Office:** 301 S. 13th St., Ste. 100, Lincoln, NE 68508, phone (402) 438-1598, fax (402) 438-1604

**Norfolk Office:** 125 S. Fourth St., Ste. 101, Norfolk, NE 68701, phone (402) 379-2064, fax (402) 379-2101

**Elected to U.S. House of Representatives:** 2004, re-elected 2006, 2008, 2010, 2012 and 2014

**Political Party:** Republican

**Committees:** Appropriations

**Biography:** Born December 27, 1960, in Baton Rouge, La. Graduate of Louisiana State University (B.A. in economics), 1982; Georgetown University (M.A. in public policy), 1986; Franciscan University of Steubenville (M.A. in theology),

1995. Married Celeste Gregory; five children. Former: publishing executive, TruckPaper.com, Sandhills Publishing, 1998-2004; director for public relations and foundation activities, Sandhills Publishing, 1995-1998; research associate/economic analyst; community development director; legislative aide. **Member:** Lincoln Rotary Club; Lincoln Independent Business Association; Nebraska National Guard Civilian Leadership Council; St. Joseph Catholic Church. **Former member:** councilman, Lincoln City Council, 1997-2001; Hometown Security Committee for City of Lincoln, 2003; Public Policy and Economic Analysis Team; U.S. Subcommittee for Intergovernmental Relations, 1986; representative, International 4-H Youth Exchange.

### BRAD ASHFORD

### DISTRICT 2

**Home Address:** 7926 Shirley St., Omaha, NE 68124

**Washington Office:** 107 Cannon House Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20515, phone (202) 225-4155, fax (202) 226-5452

**Omaha Office:** 7126 Pacific St., Omaha, NE 68106, phone (402) 916-5678

**Elected to U.S. House of Representatives:** 2014

**Political Party:** Democratic

**Committees:** Agriculture; Armed Services

**Biography:** Born Nov. 10, 1949, in Omaha. Attended Westside High School; Gustavus Adolphus College; Colgate University (B.A.), 1971; Creighton University School of Law, (J.D.), 1974. Married Ann Ferlic, Aug. 27, 1993; three children: John, Ellie and Tom. Attorney, businessman. Former: director, Omaha Housing Authority; judge, Commission of Industrial Relations. **Member:** Senior fellow, Creighton University School of Law Werner Institute for Negotiation and Dispute Resolution; cofounder, Werner Institute Public Issues Collaboration Initiative; Nebraska Bar Association; Minnesota Bar Association; Nebraska Bar Foundation; Omaha Suburban Rotary. **Former member:** Metropolitan Entertainment and Convention Authority (founding member); Omaha Housing Authority Board of Directors (chair); Salvation Army Advisory Board.



## Nebraska U.S. Representatives, 2015 (Cont'd.)

### ADRIAN SMITH

### DISTRICT 3

**Washington Office:** 2241 Rayburn House Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20515, phone (202) 225-6435, fax (202) 225-0207, website — [adriansmith.house.gov](http://adriansmith.house.gov)

**Grand Island Office:** 1811 W. Second Street, Ste. 275, Grand Island, NE 68803, phone (308) 384-3900, fax (308) 384-3902

**Scottsbluff Office:** 416 Valley View Drive, Ste. 600, Scottsbluff, NE 69361, phone (308) 633-6333, fax (308) 633-6335

**Elected to U.S. House of Representatives:** 2006, re-elected 2008, 2010, 2012 and 2014

**Political Party:** Republican

**Committees:** Ways and Means

**Biography:** Born Dec. 19, 1970, in Scottsbluff. Graduate of Gering High School, 1989; University of Nebraska-Lincoln (B.S. in marketing education), 1993. Single. Real estate agent and marketing specialist, Buyers Realty. Former: educator and staff development project manager for Educational Service Unit No. 13, 1994-97; research assistant, University of Nebraska Foundation, 1992-93; staff intern, Nebraska governor's office, 1992; legislative page, Nebraska Legislature, 1992; family school supply business 1982-94; State Senator, Nebraska Legislature, 1999-2006. Member: Scotts Bluff County Board of Realtors; Vision 2020 (Land Use Task Force chairman, 1998); Riverside Zoological Society; North Platte Valley Historical Society; Wyo-Braska Museum of Natural History; Calvary Memorial Evangelical Free Church; Farm and Ranch Museum Association; Sons of the American Legion, Post 36. Former member: American Council of Young Political Leaders delegate to Tanzania, 2004; delegate, Republican National Convention (rules committee, 2000; platform committee, 2004); chairman, Four State Legislative Committee; American Council of Young Political Leaders delegate to India, 2000; alternate delegate, Republican National Convention, 1996; Western Nebraska Regional Airport Operations Board, 1997-98; board of directors, Twin Cities Development, 1995-98; Gering City Council, 1994-98; Scotts Bluff County Visitors Advisory Committee, 1995-96.



## Nebraska Territorial Delegates to Congress, 1855-1867\*

Napoleon B. Giddings (D) <sup>1,2</sup> .....1855	Experience Estabrook (D) <sup>5</sup> .....1859-1860
Bird B. Chapman (D) <sup>3</sup> .....1855-1857	Samuel G. Daily (R) <sup>5,6</sup> .....1860-1865
Fenner Ferguson (D) <sup>4</sup> .....1857-1859	Phineas W. Hitchcock (R) <sup>7</sup> .....1865-1867

\* Sources for all historical rosters of Nebraska's members of Congress are the *Biographical Dictionary of the American Congress 1774-1996* and Pages 97-100 of the *Nebraska Blue Book 1996-97*.

<sup>1</sup> Political affiliation: D=Democrat, R=Republican.

<sup>2</sup> Took his seat Jan. 5, 1855.

<sup>3</sup> Election unsuccessfully contested by Hiram P. Bennet.

<sup>4</sup> Election unsuccessfully contested by Chapman.

<sup>5</sup> Estabrook served until May 18, 1860, and then was removed from office. Daily, who successfully contested Estabrook's election, took the seat that day.

<sup>6</sup> Daily's election to 37th Congress (1861-63) unsuccessfully contested by J. Sterling Morton. Morton was elected Oct. 9, 1860. Six months later Gov. Samuel Black, without any canvass, issued a certificate of election to Daily, who had contested Morton's right to a seat in Congress. The contest was never decided, but Daily held the seat under the second certificate.

<sup>7</sup> Served until March 1, 1867, when Nebraska became a state.

## Nebraska U.S. Senators, 1867-2015

John M. Thayer (R) <sup>1,2</sup> .....1867-1871	Richard C. Hunter (D) <sup>9</sup> .....1934-1935
Thomas W. Tipton (R) <sup>2</sup> .....1867-1875	Edward R. Burke (D).....1935-1941
Phineas W. Hitchcock (R) .....1871-1877	Hugh A. Butler (R) <sup>13</sup> .....1941-1954
Algernon S. Paddock (R).....1875-1881	Kenneth S. Wherry (R) <sup>10</sup> .....1943-1951
1887-1893	Frederick A. Seaton (R) <sup>11</sup> .....1952-1953
Alvin Saunders (R) .....1877-1883	Dwight P. Griswold (R) <sup>12</sup> .....1953-1954
Charles H. Van Wyck (R).....1881-1887	Eva K. Bowring (R) <sup>14</sup> .....1954
Charles F. Manderson (R) .....1883-1895	Sam W. Reynolds (R) <sup>15</sup> .....1954
William V. Allen (P) <sup>4</sup> .....1893-1899	Hazel H. Abel (R) <sup>16</sup> .....1954
1899-1901	Roman L. Hruska (R) <sup>17,19</sup> .....1954-1976
John M. Thurston (R).....1895-1901	Carl T. Curtis (R) <sup>18</sup> .....1955-1979
Monroe L. Hayward (R) <sup>3</sup> .....1901-1905	Edward Zorinsky (D) <sup>20</sup> .....1976-1987
Charles H. Dietrich (R) <sup>5</sup> .....1901-1905	J. James Exon (D).....1979-1997
Joseph H. Millard (R).....1901-1907	David Karnes (R) <sup>21</sup> .....1987-1989
Elmer J. Burkett (R) .....1905-1911	J. Robert Kerrey (D) .....1989-2001
Norris Brown (R).....1907-1913	Charles T. Hagel (R).....1997-2009
Gilbert M. Hitchcock (D).....1911-1923	E. Benjamin Nelson (D) .....2001-2013
George W. Norris (R, IR) <sup>6</sup> .....1913-1943	Mike Johanns (R).....2009-2015
Robert B. Howell (R) <sup>7</sup> .....1923-1933	Deb Fischer (R) .....2013-
William H. Thompson (D) <sup>8</sup> .....1933-1934	Ben Sasse (R) .....2015-

<sup>1</sup> Political affiliation: R=Republican, P=Populist, D=Democrat, IR=Independent Republican.

<sup>2</sup> Thayer and Tipton took their seats March 4, 1867. Thayer's term expired March 3, 1871, and Tipton's first term expired March 3, 1869, as determined by lot.

<sup>3</sup> Elected March 8, 1899, and died Dec. 5, 1899. Never officially seated.

<sup>4</sup> Appointed to fill vacancy caused by Hayward's death. Took his seat Dec. 19, 1899.

<sup>5</sup> Elected to fill vacancy caused by Hayward's death in preceding Congress. Took his seat Dec. 2, 1901.

<sup>6</sup> Nominated by petition as an Independent in 1936 and won the election.

<sup>7</sup> Died March 11, 1933.

<sup>8</sup> Appointed to fill vacancy caused by Howell's death. Took his seat May 26, 1933.

<sup>9</sup> Elected to fill vacancy caused by Howell's death. Served from Nov. 7, 1934, to Jan. 3, 1935.

<sup>10</sup> Died Nov. 29, 1951.

<sup>11</sup> Appointed to fill vacancy caused by Wherry's death. Took his seat Jan. 8, 1952.

<sup>12</sup> Elected to fill vacancy caused by Wherry's death. Took his seat Jan. 3, 1953. Died April 12, 1954.

<sup>13</sup> Died July 1, 1954.

<sup>14</sup> Appointed to fill vacancy caused by Griswold's death. Took her seat April 26, 1954.

## Nebraska U.S. Senators, 1867-2015 (Cont'd.)

<sup>15</sup> Appointed to fill vacancy caused by Butler's death. Took his seat July 7, 1954.

<sup>16</sup> Elected to fill vacancy caused by Griswold's death. Took her seat Nov. 8, 1954. Resigned Dec. 31, 1954.

<sup>17</sup> Elected to fill vacancy caused by Butler's death. Took his seat Nov. 8, 1954.

<sup>18</sup> Appointed Jan. 1, 1955, to fill vacancy caused by Abel's resignation.

<sup>19</sup> Resigned Dec. 27, 1976.

<sup>20</sup> Appointed Dec. 28, 1976, to fill vacancy caused by Hruska's resignation. Died March 6, 1987.

<sup>21</sup> Appointed to fill vacancy caused by Zorinsky's death. Took his seat March 13, 1987.

## Nebraska U.S. Representatives, 1867-2015

### *At Large*

Turner M. Marquett (R) <sup>1,2</sup> .....	1867	Frank Welch (R) <sup>3</sup> .....	1877-1878
John Taffe (R) .....	1867-1873	Thomas J. Majors (R) <sup>4</sup> .....	1878-1879
Lorenzo Crouse (R) .....	1873-1877	Edward K. Valentine (R) .....	1879-1883

<sup>1</sup> Political affiliation: R=Republican.

<sup>2</sup> Took his seat March 2, 1867. Served only two days.

<sup>3</sup> Died Sept. 4, 1878.

<sup>4</sup> Elected to fill vacancy caused by Welch's death. Took his seat Dec. 2, 1878. Presented credentials as a contingent, or additional, representative in the 47th Congress (1881-83) but was not permitted to take a seat.

### *District 1*

Archibald J. Weaver (R) <sup>1</sup> .....	1883-1887	George H. Heinke (R) <sup>6</sup> .....	1939-1940
John A. McShane (D) .....	1887-1889	John Hyde Sweet (R) <sup>7</sup> .....	1940-1941
William J. Connell (R) .....	1889-1891	Oren S. Copeland (R) .....	1941-1943
William Jennings Bryan (D) .....	1891-1895	Carl T. Curtis (R) <sup>8</sup> .....	1943-1954
Jesse B. Strode (R) .....	1895-1899	Phillip H. Weaver (R) .....	1955-1963
Elmer J. Burkett (R) <sup>2</sup> .....	1899-1905	Ralph F. Beermann (R) .....	1963-1965
Ernest M. Pollard (R) <sup>3</sup> .....	1905-1909	Clair A. Callan (D) .....	1965-1967
John A. Maguire (D) .....	1909-1915	Robert V. Denney (R) .....	1967-1971
C. Frank Reavis (R) <sup>4</sup> .....	1915-1922	Charles Thone (R) .....	1971-1979
Roy H. Thorpe (R) <sup>5</sup> .....	1922-1923	Douglas K. Bereuter (R) <sup>9</sup> .....	1979-2004
John H. Morehead (D) .....	1923-1935	Jeff Fortenberry (R) .....	2005-
Henry C. Luckey (D) .....	1935-1939		

<sup>1</sup> Political affiliation: R=Republican, D=Democrat.

<sup>2</sup> Resigned March 4, 1905, before commencement of 59th Congress (1905-07), to which he had been re-elected, because he had been elected to the U.S. Senate.

<sup>3</sup> Elected to fill vacancy caused by Burkett's resignation. Took his seat Dec. 4, 1905.

<sup>4</sup> Resigned June 3, 1922.

<sup>5</sup> Elected to fill vacancy caused by Reavis' resignation. Took his seat Nov. 27, 1922.

<sup>6</sup> Died Jan. 2, 1940.

<sup>7</sup> Elected to fill vacancy caused by Heinke's death. Took his seat April 17, 1940.

<sup>8</sup> Resigned Dec. 31, 1954, because he had been appointed to the U.S. Senate. Vacancy throughout remainder of the 83rd Congress (1953-55).

<sup>9</sup> Resigned Aug. 31, 2004, to become president of the Asia Foundation.

## Nebraska U.S. Representatives, 1867-2015 (Cont'd.)

### *District 2*

James Laird (R) <sup>1,2</sup> .....	1883-1889	Howard H. Buffett (R) .....	1943-1949
Gilbert L. Laws (R) <sup>3</sup> .....	1889-1891		1951-1953
William A. McKeighan (P).....	1891-1893	Eugene D. O'Sullivan (D).....	1949-1951
David H. Mercer (R).....	1893-1903	Roman L. Hruska (R) <sup>4</sup> .....	1953-1954
Gilbert M. Hitchcock (D) .....	1903-1905	Jackson B. Chase (R).....	1955-1957
	1907-1911	Glenn C. Cunningham (R).....	1957-1971
John L. Kennedy (R).....	1905-1907	John Y. McCollister (R).....	1971-1977
Charles O. Lobeck (D) .....	1911-1919	John J. Cavanaugh III (D).....	1977-1981
Albert W. Jefferis (R).....	1919-1923	Hal Daub (R) .....	1981-1989
Willis G. Sears (R) .....	1923-1931	Peter J. Hoagland (D) .....	1989-1995
H. Malcolm Baldrige (R).....	1931-1933	Jon Christensen (R).....	1995-1999
Edward R. Burke (D).....	1933-1935	Lee Terry (R).....	1999-2015
Charles F. McLaughlin (D) .....	1935-1943	Brad Ashford (D).....	2015-

<sup>1</sup> Political affiliation: R=Republican, P=Populist, D=Democrat.

<sup>2</sup> Died Aug. 17, 1889.

<sup>3</sup> Elected to fill vacancy caused by Laird's death. Took his seat Dec. 2, 1889.

<sup>4</sup> Resigned Nov. 8, 1954, because he had been elected to the U.S. Senate. Vacancy throughout remainder of the 83rd Congress (1953-55).

### *District 3*

Edward K. Valentine (R) <sup>1</sup> .....	1883-1885	Edgar Howard (D).....	1923-1935
George W. E. Dorsey (R) .....	1885-1891	Karl Stefan (R) <sup>4</sup> .....	1935-1951
Omer M. Kem (P).....	1891-1893	Robert D. Harrison (R) <sup>5</sup> .....	1952-1959
George D. Meiklejohn (R) .....	1893-1897	Lawrence Brock (D) .....	1959-1961
Samuel Maxwell (P).....	1897-1899	Ralph F. Beermann (R).....	1961-1963
John S. Robinson (D) .....	1899-1903	David T. Martin (R) <sup>6</sup> .....	1963-1974
John J. McCarthy (R).....	1903-1907	Virginia D. Smith (R) <sup>7</sup> .....	1975-1991
John F. Boyd (R).....	1907-1909	William E. Barrett (R).....	1991-2001
James P. Latta (D) <sup>2</sup> .....	1909-1911	Tom Osborne (R).....	2001-2007
Daniel V. Stephens (D) <sup>3</sup> .....	1911-1919	Adrian Smith (R).....	2007-
Robert E. Evans (R) .....	1919-1923		

<sup>1</sup> Political affiliation: R=Republican, P=Populist, D=Democrat.

<sup>2</sup> Died Sept. 11, 1911.

<sup>3</sup> Elected to fill vacancy caused by Latta's death. Took his seat Dec. 4, 1911.

<sup>4</sup> Died Oct. 2, 1951.

<sup>5</sup> Elected to fill vacancy caused by Stefan's death. Took his seat Jan. 8, 1952.

<sup>6</sup> Resigned Dec. 31, 1974.

<sup>7</sup> Election in 1974 unsuccessfully contested by Wayne Ziebarth.

## Nebraska U.S. Representatives, 1867-2015 (Cont'd.)

### *District 4*

Eugene J. Hainer (R) <sup>1</sup> .....	1893-1897	Ashton C. Shallenberger (D) .....	1933-1935
William L. Stark (P).....	1897-1903	Charles G. Binderup (D).....	1935-1939
Edmund H. Hinshaw (R).....	1903-1911	Carl T. Curtis (R).....	1939-1943
Charles H. Sloan (R).....	1911-1919	Arthur L. Miller (R).....	1943-1959
	1929-1931	Donald F. McGinley (D).....	1959-1961
Melvin O. McLaughlin (R).....	1919-1927	David T. Martin (R).....	1961-1963
John N. Norton (D).....	1927-1929		
	1931-1933		

<sup>1</sup>Political affiliation: R=Republican, P=Populist, D=Democrat.

### *District 5*

William A. McKeighan (P) <sup>1</sup> .....	1893-1895	George W. Norris (R).....	1903-1913
William E. Andrews (R).....	1895-1897	Silas R. Barton (R).....	1913-1915
	1919-1923	Fred G. Johnson (R).....	1929-1931
Roderick D. Sutherland (P).....	1897-1901	Terry M. Carpenter (D).....	1933-1935
Ashton C. Shallenberger (D).....	1901-1903	Harry B. Coffee (D).....	1935-1943
	1915-1919		
	1923-1929		
	1931-1933		

<sup>1</sup>Political affiliation: P=Populist, R=Republican, D=Democrat.

### *District 6*

Omer M. Kem (P) <sup>1</sup> .....	1893-1897	Moses P. Kinkaid (R) <sup>4</sup> .....	1903-1922
William L. Greene (P) <sup>2</sup> .....	1897-1899	Augustin R. Humphrey (R) <sup>5</sup> .....	1922-1923
William Neville (P) <sup>3</sup> .....	1899-1903	Robert G. Simmons (R).....	1923-1933

<sup>1</sup>Political affiliation: P=Populist, R=Republican.

<sup>2</sup>Died March 11, 1899.

<sup>3</sup>Elected to fill vacancy caused by Greene's death. Took his seat Dec. 4, 1899.

<sup>4</sup>Died July 6, 1922.

<sup>5</sup>Elected to fill vacancy caused by Kinkaid's death. Took his seat Nov. 20, 1922.

## Government Printing Office Depository Libraries

**Government Documents Regional Depository:** Love Memorial Library, University Libraries, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Lincoln, NE 68588-0410, phone (402) 472-4473

**Head of Government Documents:** Professor Charles D. Bernholz

The Government Printing Office produces, procures and disseminates printed and electronic publications of Congress as well as the executive departments and establishments of the federal government. The congressional Joint Committee on Printing oversees the office.

The office makes many government publications available for free use in approximately 1,200 depository libraries throughout the nation. Nebraska has one regional depository library, Love Memorial Library at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, that receives all publications distributed by the office. Nebraska also has 11 selective depository libraries that receive selected government publications. These are:

- Nebraska Library Commission, Lincoln
- Nebraska State Library — Supreme Court Law Library, Lincoln
- Schmid Law Library, University of Nebraska-Lincoln
- W. Dale Clark Public Library, Omaha
- University Library, University of Nebraska at Omaha
- Reinert/Alumni Memorial Library, Creighton University
- Klutznick Law Library, Creighton University
- Calvin T. Ryan Library, University of Nebraska at Kearney
- Conn Library, Wayne State College
- Perkins Library, Doane College
- Scottsbluff Public Library



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## PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT

**White House Office:** 1600 Pennsylvania Ave. N.W., Washington, D.C. 20500, phone (202) 456-1414

**President of the United States:** Barack H. Obama

**Vice President of the United States:** Joseph R. Biden, Jr.

Article II, Section 1 of the U.S. Constitution provides that “the executive Power shall be vested in a President of the United States of America. He shall hold his Office during the Term of four Years, ... together with the Vice President, chosen for the same Term ...” In addition to the powers set forth in the Constitution, federal statutes have conferred upon the president specific authority and responsibility covering a wide range of matters.

The president is the administrative head of the U.S. government’s executive branch, which includes numerous agencies, both temporary and permanent, as well as the 15 executive departments — Agriculture, Commerce, Defense, Education, Energy, Health and Human Services, Homeland Security, Housing and Urban Development, Interior, Justice, Labor, State, Transportation, Treasury and Veterans Affairs.

The Cabinet, a creation of custom and tradition dating back to George Washington’s administration, functions at the pleasure of the president. Its purpose is to advise the president upon any subject, relating to the duties of the respective offices, on which he or she requests information. The Cabinet is composed of the heads of the 15 executive departments and other officials to whom the president has accorded Cabinet-level rank.

**Editor’s note:** The following is a list of U.S. government departments and agencies that maintain one or more offices in Nebraska. Other U.S. departments and agencies serve Nebraska from offices outside of the state.

For information on other offices, the U.S. government has a federal information center hot line. The toll-free number is (800) 333-4636. The U.S. government also maintains a website at [www.pueblo.gsa.gov/call/phone](http://www.pueblo.gsa.gov/call/phone) listing commonly requested federal toll-free numbers. For hearing-impaired people, TTY numbers also are listed. More information about U.S. government departments and agencies can be obtained from the latest edition of *The United States Government Manual*.

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<sup>1</sup>Information about the executive branch, Cabinet-level agencies and federal independent agencies was gathered from the following sources: *The United States Government Manual 2013-14* and information provided by the agencies listed.

## CABINET-LEVEL AGENCIES

### Department of Agriculture

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) works to improve and maintain farm income and develop and expand markets abroad for agricultural products. The department works to curb and cure poverty, hunger and malnutrition. It works to enhance the environment and maintain production capacity by helping landowners protect the soil, water, forests and other natural resources. Rural development, credit and conservation programs are key resources for carrying out national growth policies. The department, through inspection and grading services, works to safeguard and ensure standards of quality in the daily food supply.

#### *Office of Inspector General*

**Office of Audit:** 276 Denney Federal Building, 100 Centennial Mall North, Lincoln, NE 68508, phone (402) 437-5271

**Senior Auditor:** Anne C. Morrison

**Senior Auditor:** Keith Arnold

**Office of Investigation:** 282 Denney Federal Building, 100 Centennial Mall North, Lincoln, NE 68508, phone (402) 437-5249

**Resident Special Agent:** Martin Dahlke

The Office of Inspector General conducts audits and investigations designed to promote economy and efficiency in the administration of USDA programs and to prevent and detect fraud and abuse in the operation of such programs.

#### *Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service*

The Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service conducts regulatory and control programs to protect and improve animal and plant health for the benefit of humanity and the environment. These programs are carried out in cooperation with state governments, foreign governments, other federal agencies, farmers and ranchers, and private organizations. The agency administers federal laws and regulations pertaining to animal and plant health and quarantine, humane treatment of animals, and the control and eradication of pests and diseases. The service also enforces regulations to prevent the introduction or interstate spread of certain animal or plant pests or diseases. APHIS also carries out research and operational activities to reduce crop and livestock damage caused by birds, rodents and predators.

#### **Plant Protection and Quarantine Programs**

**Nebraska Office:** 5940 S. 58th St., P.O. Box 81866, Lincoln, NE 68501, phone (402) 434-2345, fax (402) 434-2330, email address —[vicki.b.wohlers@aphis.usda.gov](mailto:vicki.b.wohlers@aphis.usda.gov), website — [www.aphis.usda.gov/plant\\_health](http://www.aphis.usda.gov/plant_health)

**State Plant Health Director:** Vicki B. Wohlers

Plant protection officials are responsible for programs to control or eradicate plant pests and diseases. Agricultural quarantine inspection officials administer federal regula-

tions that prohibit or restrict the entry of foreign pests and plants, plant products, animal products and byproducts, and other materials that may harbor pests or diseases.

Other responsibilities include the inspection and certification of domestic commodities for export; regulation of the import and export of endangered plant species and of genetically engineered organisms and products that present a plant pest risk; and ensuring that imported seed is free of noxious weeds.

### **Veterinary Services**

**Nebraska Office:** 5940 S. 58th St., Lincoln, NE 68516, phone (402) 434-2300, email address — [vsne@aphis.usda.gov](mailto:vsne@aphis.usda.gov), website — [www.aphis.usda.gov](http://www.aphis.usda.gov)

**Area Veterinarian in Charge:** Dr. Kathleen Jan Akin

Veterinary Services is the animal health arm of APHIS. Agency officials are responsible for protecting and improving the health, quality, productivity and marketability of U.S. animals and animal products and for facilitating agricultural trade.

Veterinary Services regulates the entry of imported animals and animal products and is prepared to take emergency action against foreign diseases. In cooperation with the states and industry groups, the agency also operates eradication programs for domestic animal diseases. When diseases are found, the agency regulates the interstate movement and transport of infected and exposed animals. Veterinary Services provides health certification for exported animals and animal products. It also issues licenses for veterinary biological products and manufacturers and monitors quality control.

### **Wildlife Services<sup>2</sup>**

**Nebraska Office:** 5940 S. 58th St., P.O. Box 81866, Lincoln, NE 68501-1866, phone (402) 434-2340, fax (402) 434-2339

**State Director:** Tim Veenendaal

Officials with Wildlife Services, formerly Animal Damage Control, work to reduce crop and livestock damage caused by birds, rodents and predators.

Wildlife Services officials work to educate and advise farmers and ranchers on proper uses of control methods and techniques; suppress serious nuisances and threats to public health and safety caused by birds, rodents and other wildlife; and work with airport managers to reduce risks of bird strikes. Wildlife Services also conducts research on predator-prey relationships, new control methods, and more efficient and safe uses of present methods.

### *Farm and Foreign Agricultural Services*

Through the Farm Service Agency, this mission area administers farm commodity, crop insurance and resource conservation programs for farmers and makes loans through a network of state and county offices. Agency programs are directed at agricultural producers or, in the case of loans, at those with farming experience.

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<sup>2</sup>For more information on Wildlife Services, see Page 463.

### Farm Service Agency

**Nebraska State Office:** 7131 A St., Lincoln, NE 68505-4202, phone (402) 437-5581

**State Executive Director:** Dan Steinkruger

**FSA State Committee:** Bill Armbrust, Fred Christensen, Susan Frazier, Leo Hoehn and Linda Kleinschmit

The Farm Service Agency administers farm loans, conservation programs, marketing assistance loans and loan deficiency payments, as well as other commodity programs including direct and countercyclical payments. FSA also administers emergency programs to address crop disasters and livestock losses. Other programs are administered by the FSA as provided by Congress.<sup>3</sup>

The FSA delivers programs to agricultural producers through 71 offices in Nebraska.<sup>4</sup> The agency was created during the 1994 USDA organization. The parent organizations for the FSA were the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service and the Farmers Home Administration.

The FSA administers the Supplemental Agricultural Disaster Assistance programs as authorized by Congress. These programs provide loss payments when producers suffer serious crop losses, livestock forage losses, livestock death losses in excess of normal mortality and emergency relief for livestock producers.

The FSA also offers eligibility and payment limitation programs. These include Adjusted Gross Income (AGI) criteria that vary by program. AGI and payment limits apply differently for FSA and Natural Resource Conservation Service programs.

The Conservation Reserve Program takes highly erodible land out of crop production and reserves it for growing grasses, trees and forage for 10 to 15 years. In return for participating in the program, the owner receives a rental payment each year.

The Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program became effective January 2003 in 37 counties in southeast and eastern Nebraska. Conservation practices include planting filter strips and riparian buffers to protect streams, lakes and rivers from sedimentation and pollution from agricultural chemicals and to restore wetlands and ground cover to provide habitats for threatened wildlife species. In 2005, a second Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program project was authorized primarily to enroll irrigated land in the Republican and Platte rivers in 22 western Nebraska counties.

The Emergency Conservation Program provides financial assistance to farmers and ranchers for the restoration of farmlands where natural disasters have impeded normal farming operations.

The FSA Farm Loan Program offers direct and guaranteed financing for family farmers and beginning farmers and ranchers who are unable to obtain affordable commercial credit for farm ownership, improvements and operating purposes. When natural disasters occur, emergency loan authorities are available to help producers who have incurred losses.

Agricultural price support operations, including marketing assistance loans, loan deficiency payments, Farm Storage Facility loans and the purchase and sale of agricul-

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<sup>3</sup>More information regarding FSA can be obtained at [www.fsa.usda.gov](http://www.fsa.usda.gov)

<sup>4</sup>See the list of USDA service centers on Pages 116-117.

tural commodities by the Commodity Credit Corporation are offered by FSA. The FSA also provides rural youth operating loans, which are available to youth ages 10 to 20 to establish and operate income-producing projects.

### *Food, Nutrition and Consumer Services*

The mission of Food, Nutrition and Consumer Services is to ensure access to nutritious, healthy diets for all U.S. residents. Through food assistance and nutrition education, FNCS encourages people to make healthful food choices. Rather than just providing food, FNCS works to give people knowledge of the link between diet and health, providing dietary guidance based on research.

#### **Food and Nutrition Service**

**Mountain Plains Regional Office:** 244 Speer Blvd., Suite 903, Denver, CO 80204-3581

**Regional Administrator:** Darlene Barnes

The Food and Nutrition Service administers the USDA domestic food assistance programs. These programs, which serve one in four Americans, provide a federal safety net to people in need. The goals of the programs are to provide needy persons with access to a more nutritious diet, improve the eating habits of children and provide America's farmers with an expanded customer base.

The FNS works in partnership with the states in all of its programs. State and local agencies determine most administrative details regarding distribution of food benefits and eligibility of participants, and FNS provides commodities and funding for additional food and to cover administrative costs. In Nebraska, the state Department of Health and Human Services and the state Department of Education help administer most FNS programs.

FNS programs include:

- the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), formerly known as the Food Stamp Program, which provides food benefits through state and local welfare agencies to needy people to increase their food purchasing power. The benefits are used to buy food at approved retail stores.

- the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC), which provides food supplements, nutrition education and healthcare referrals to low-income pregnant women, postpartum women, and infants and children up to 5 years old

- the WIC Farmers' Market Nutrition Program, which provides WIC participants with coupons to buy fresh fruits and vegetables from authorized farmers

- the Commodity Supplemental Food Program, which provides an extensive package of foods monthly to low-income pregnant, postpartum and breast-feeding women; their infants and children younger than age 6; and the elderly. The program also provides nutrition education.

- the National School Lunch Program, which supports nonprofit food services in elementary and secondary schools and in residential childcare institutions. More than half the meals served through these institutions are available free or at reduced cost.

- the School Breakfast Program, which supports schools in providing needy children with breakfasts for free or at reduced cost
- the Special Milk Program for Children, which provides milk for children in those schools, summer camps and childcare institutions that do not have federally supported meal programs
- the Child and Adult Care Food Program, which provides cash and commodities for meals for children in childcare facilities and for functionally impaired adults in nonresidential care facilities
- the Summer Food Service Program for Children, which helps various organizations get meals to needy children during the summer months and during school vacations
- the Emergency Food Assistance Program, which provides state agencies with commodities for distribution to food banks, food pantries, soup kitchens and other charitable institutions
- the Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations and the Trust Territories, which provides commodities to low-income households on or near Indian reservations in lieu of SNAP benefits

### *Food Safety and Inspection Service*

The Food Safety and Inspection Service is the public health agency in the U.S. Department of Agriculture responsible for ensuring that the nation's commercial supply of meat, poultry and egg products is safe, wholesome and correctly labeled and packaged.

**Compliance and Investigation Division (CID):** 120 Denney Federal Building, 100 Centennial Mall North, Lincoln, NE 68508, phone (402) 437-5632

**Compliance Investigators:** Tamara Dey, Jeffery Griess and Joseph Wolfgram.

CID manages and directs investigations, case development and documentation of violations of inspection laws and regulations. The division consists of a Washington staff and five regions.

**Evaluation and Enforcement Division (EED):** 120 Denney Federal Building, 100 Centennial Mall North, Lincoln, NE 68508, phone (402) 437-5758

**Compliance Specialist:** Alan D. Shaddock

EED takes the lead in initiating criminal, civil and administrative sanctions for violations of FSIS laws and regulations.

**Policy Development Division (PPD):** Edward Zorinsky Federal Building, 1616 Capitol Ave., Omaha NE 68102-5908, phone (402) 344-5000, toll-free phone (800) 233-3935

**Acting Director:** Scott Seebohm

PDD, formerly known as the technical service center, assists decision making by providing all parties with the standards and other technical information needed to understand, implement, apply and enforce regulatory requirements.

### *Marketing and Regulatory Programs*

This mission area includes marketing and regulatory programs other than those concerned with food safety.

### Agricultural Marketing Service

The Agricultural Marketing Service administers: standardization, grading, inspection, certification, market news, marketing orders, and research, promotion and regulatory programs. Two branches of the AMS Livestock and Seed Division — the Livestock and Grain Market News Service and the Meat Grading and Certification Branch — have offices in Nebraska.

#### *Livestock and Grain Market News Service*

**Livestock and Seed Division Branch Office:** 4009 Sixth Ave., Suite 47, Kearney, NE 68845-2393, phone (308) 390-5399, email address — [kearney.lpgmn@ams.usda.gov](mailto:kearney.lpgmn@ams.usda.gov), website — [www.marketnews.usda.gov](http://www.marketnews.usda.gov)

**Officer in Charge:** Tom Walthers

The AMS Livestock and Grain Market News Service provides current market information to producers, processors, distributors and others to assist them in the orderly marketing and distribution of farm commodities. Information is collected on supply, demand, prices, movement, location, quality, condition and other market data on farm products in specific markets and marketing areas. The data is disseminated nationally via a modern satellite system and is shared internationally. The service also has assisted countries in developing their own market information systems.

The Kearney office of the Livestock and Grain Market News Service reports daily movement, trade activity, price trends and livestock prices. Grain prices are collected daily from about 40 locations in the state. This office also produces a weekly report of hay prices for Nebraska, Iowa and parts of South Dakota and Iowa. The Kearney office supervises the reporting of 10 of the largest volume feeder cattle auctions through a cooperative program with the Nebraska Department of Agriculture.

Livestock and meat reports are released throughout the trading day through radio, television and newspapers. Market news reports are transmitted by Market News Communication Systems to national and international market interests via the MNCS system and the AMS website.

The news service also receives reports from other market news offices across the nation, keeping livestock and grain producers and marketing agencies informed of the movement and price of livestock, meat and grain at all marketing areas.

The news service also grades and certifies livestock to fill Chicago Mercantile Exchange livestock futures trading contracts.

#### *Meat Grading and Certification Branch*

**Omaha Area Contact:** Alan Kohles, 412 S. 127th St., Omaha, NE 68154, phone (402) 218-6768, email — [alan.kohles@ams.usda.gov](mailto:alan.kohles@ams.usda.gov)

Grade standards have been established for nearly 240 agricultural commodities to help buyers and sellers trade on agreed-upon quality levels. Standards are developed with the benefit of views from those in the industries directly affected and others interested. The AMS also participates in developing international standards to facilitate trade.

The Meat Grading and Certification Branch of the Livestock and Seed Division interprets the federal grade and class standards and performs meat grading services

upon the request of federally inspected and recognized nonfederally inspected meat slaughtering and wholesale plants.

Meat grading includes three types of services:

- the meat grading service, which provides quality and yield grading to allow a common language for the industry to market meat carcasses or cuts;
- the certification service, which examines, accepts and certifies fresh-chilled meats, prepared meats and meat food products. The Meat Grading and Certification Branch has an Omaha office that covers Omaha, Dakota City, Gibbon, Grand Island, Hastings, Lexington, Norfolk, Schuyler and West Point;
- the carcass data service, which evaluates carcass characteristics by applicable official U.S. standards. The carcass data service also records and transmits data to the service's applicants. An applicant also can direct the service to send the data elsewhere.

### *Natural Resources and Environment*

This mission area is responsible for fostering sound stewardship of 75 percent of the nation's total land area. Ecosystems are the underpinning for the USDA's operating philosophy in this area. This approach is intended to ensure that products, values, services and uses desired by people are produced in ways that sustain healthy, productive ecosystems.

#### **U.S. Forest Service**

The U.S. Forest Service is responsible for national leadership in forestry. Its mission is to achieve quality land management under the sustainable, multiple-use management concept to meet the diverse needs of people.

U.S. Forest Service operations in Nebraska are handled by three branches: the national forest system branch, which is administered by a forest supervisor at Chadron; the research branch, represented by the National Agroforestry Center in Lincoln; and the state and private branch in Lincoln. U.S. Forest Service state and private forestry cooperative programs are carried out in states by the state forestry agency, headed by the state forester. The Nebraska Forest Service/State Forester's Office is part of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

#### *National Forest System<sup>5</sup>*

**Nebraska National Forest Office:** 125 N. Main St., Chadron, NE 69337, phone (308) 432-0300, website — [www.fs.usda.gov/detail/nebraska](http://www.fs.usda.gov/detail/nebraska)

**Forest and Grasslands Supervisor:** Jane Darnell

**Deputy Forest and Grasslands Supervisor:** Stephen Lenzo

**Nebraska National Forest, Pine Ridge Ranger District:** 125 N. Main St., Chadron, NE 69337, phone (308) 432-0300

**District Ranger:** Tim Buskirk

**Nebraska National Forest, Bessey Ranger District:** 40637 River Loop, P.O. Box 39, Halsey, NE 69142, phone (308) 533-2257

**District Ranger:** Kris Hill

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<sup>5</sup>For more information about national areas in Nebraska administered by the U.S. Forest Service, see page 44.

**Charles E. Bessey Tree Nursery:** 40637 River Loop, P.O. Box 39, Halsey, NE 69142, phone (308) 533-2257

**Nursery Manager:** Richard Gilbert

The U.S. Forest Service manages 155 national forests, 20 national grasslands, and eight land utilization projects on more than 191 million acres in 44 states, the Virgin Islands and Puerto Rico. The intent is to balance the nation's need for wood and paper products with the other resources or benefits that the national forests and grasslands provide, such as recreation and natural beauty, wildlife habitat, livestock forage and water supplies.

The 90,400-acre Bessey Ranger District of the Nebraska National Forest, which is in Thomas and Blaine counties, contains a completely man-made forest. Dr. Charles E. Bessey, an eminent University of Nebraska botanist, generated public interest in the idea of growing trees on parts of the Great Plains. The Bessey District administers another area with hand-planted trees, the 116,000-acre Samuel R. McKelvie National Forest in Cherry County. These two national forest areas were established by presidential proclamation in 1902.

About 22,000 acres of coniferous trees have been planted on the Bessey District, and 2,500 acres have been planted on the Samuel R. McKelvie National Forest. Techniques developed at the Charles E. Bessey Tree Nursery increased knowledge about tree propagation, helped countless farms establish tree windbreaks, and helped the federal government to implement a shelterbelt program from 1935 to 1942.

The 51,000-acre Pine Ridge Ranger District of the Nebraska National Forest is in Dawes and Sioux counties in northwest Nebraska. The district contains about 25,000 acres of natural ponderosa pine forests growing along the Pine Ridge.

The 94,000-acre Oglala National Grassland in northwest Nebraska, administered by the Pine Ridge District, demonstrates rangeland conservation techniques and practices. Range managers, ranchers and conservationists are working together to improve the grassland resources.

The 7,794-acre Soldier Creek Wilderness Area and the 6,600-acre Pine Ridge Recreation Area were created by the Nebraska Wilderness Act of 1985.

The Bessey Nursery is the oldest federal tree nursery. Nearly 3.5 million trees are produced there each year. The seedlings are distributed to national forests for rehabilitation plantings and through natural resource districts in Nebraska and neighboring states to private landowners for conservation projects.

The forest supervisor at Chadron is responsible to the regional forester in Denver for the administration of the Nebraska National Forest; the Samuel R. McKelvie National Forest; Oglala National Grassland; Bessey Nursery; and the Buffalo Gap and Fort Pierre National Grasslands in South Dakota. Also, the forest supervisor represents the U.S. Forest Service in Nebraska activities except for research.

*Human Resource Programs*

**Pine Ridge Job Corps Civilian Conservation Center:** 15710 Highway 385, Chadron, NE 69337, phone (308) 432-3316

**Center Director:** Clyde Franklin

The U.S. Forest Service operates the Youth Conservation Corps and the Volunteers in the National Forests programs and participates with the U.S. Department of Labor on several human resource programs that involve citizens, both young and old, in forestry-related activities.

In Nebraska, the forest supervisor administers the Pine Ridge Job Corps Civilian Conservation Center in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor. The center is 12 miles south of Chadron on U.S. Highway 385. It is a certified Nebraska high school and offers nine learning areas for 16- to 24-year-olds.

*National Agroforestry Center*

**Contact Person:** Andy Mason, Center Director, East Campus, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Lincoln, NE 68583-0822, phone (402) 437-5178, website — [www.nac.unl.edu](http://www.nac.unl.edu)

The USDA National Agroforestry Center is a partnership between the Forest Service and the Natural Resources Conservation Service. It conducts research on how to design and install forested buffers to protect water quality and develops and delivers technology on a broad range of agroforestry practices, such as alley cropping, forest farming, riparian forest buffers, silvopasture and windbreaks. Its primary audience is the more than 8,000 natural resource professionals who directly assist landowners and communities throughout the nation. The partnership draws upon Forest Service expertise with forestry and trees and harnesses it to NRCS expertise in agriculture and its technology delivery system to farmers, ranchers and communities. The NAC gathers and packages research conducted by universities and state and federal agencies into technology transfer materials. NAC products include field demonstrations, training workshops, a quarterly newsletter, technology “how to” notes, videos and brochures with coordinating displays.

Agroforestry technologies provide cost-effective ways to diversify production and increase income, while simultaneously enhancing natural resource conservation. The Farm Bill recognizes and supports many agroforestry practices in its conservation programs.

Key issues address by NAC are:

- Carbon — Agroforestry often involves afforestation. Planting linear forests on farms and ranches can store large amounts of carbon due to an extensive agricultural land base.

- Communities — Trees at the community/agriculture interface provide visual screening, abate dust and noise, manage stormwater, modify temperatures and provide greenways and recreational settings.

- Economics — Agroforestry practices such as alley cropping and forest farming diversify production systems and generate additional on-farm income.

- Livestock — Trees shelter livestock from harsh weather and reduce visual and odor problems associated with concentrated feedlots. Agroforestry systems allow for forage production and livestock grazing in the understory of conifer stands that are managed for timber production.

- Snowfences — Trees and shrubs used as living snowfences control drifting snow

along roadways, distribute snowmelt in fields, protect farmsteads and communities and provide wildlife habitat.

- **Water** — Forested riparian buffers improve water quality by controlling soil and streambank erosion and by reducing the input of agricultural fertilizers, pesticides and animal wastes into waterways.

- **Windbreaks** — Many field windbreaks have aged and deteriorated. They need to be replanted or rehabilitated in ways that provide for erosion reduction, crop production and wildlife habitat.

### *Cooperation With the States*

**State and Private Forestry Programs/Nebraska Forest Service:** 103 Entomology Hall, East Campus, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Lincoln, NE 68583-0815, phone (402) 472-2944, email address — [sjosiah2@unl.edu](mailto:sjosiah2@unl.edu)

**State Forester:** Dr. Scott J. Josiah

Through its cooperative State and Private Forestry Program, the U.S. Forest Service provides national leadership and financial and technical assistance delivered through state forestry agencies to nonfederal forest landowners, operators, processors of forest products and community forestry interests. These cooperative programs work to protect and improve the productivity and health of forests, air, water, and soil and encourages the use of natural resources on nonfederal lands that best meet the needs of the nation while protecting the environment.

Cooperative programs are carried out by the Nebraska State Forester and Director of the Nebraska Forest Service, who receives federal grant funding under the Cooperative Forestry Assistance Act of 1978, as well as state funding support. The Nebraska Forest Service implements a portfolio of programs mandated by Nebraska state statute that provide rural forestry assistance to owners of over 2 million acres of forested lands, forest health protection, community forestry assistance, rural fire protection to 483 rural fire districts and mutual aid associations, state forest resource planning, and development, marketing and utilization of forest products and biofuels. Funding and technical assistance are provided to rural volunteer fire departments for training, planning, and fire prevention programs and equipment. The Federal Excess Property Program operated by the state forester provides reconditioned heavy-duty vehicles on loan to rural fire districts for use as fire trucks. The Nebraska Community Forestry Program provides assistance and funding to communities that want to improve community forest resources.

The Nebraska Forest Service is part of the University of Nebraska, and is administratively housed in the Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources, University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

### **Natural Resources Conservation Service**

**Nebraska State Conservationist's Office:** 152 Denney Federal Building, 100 Centennial Mall North, Lincoln, NE 68508-3866, phone (402) 437-5300, email address — [craig.derickson@ne.usda.gov](mailto:craig.derickson@ne.usda.gov), website — [www.ne.nrcs.usda.gov](http://www.ne.nrcs.usda.gov)

**State Conservationist:** Craig Derickson

**National Soil Survey Center:** 152 Denney Federal Building, 100 Centennial Mall North, Lincoln, NE 68508-3866, phone (402) 437-4113, email address — neil.dominy@ne.usda.gov

**State Soil Scientist:** Neil Dominy

**Resource Conservation and Development Offices:** Five Rivers RC&D, 140 N. Fourth, Tecumseh, NE 68450, phone (402) 335-3347; Loup Basin RC&D, 801 S St., Suite 2, Ord, NE 68862-1857, phone (308) 728-3393; North Central Nebraska RC&D, East Highway 20, P.O. Box 130, Bassett, NE 68714-0130, phone (402) 684-3346; Northeast Nebraska RC&D, 702 E. Park Ave., Box 67, Plainview, NE 68769-4022, phone (402) 582-4866; Panhandle RC&D, 1517 Broadway, Suite 101, Scottsbluff, NE 69361-3184, phone (308) 632-1311; South Central Nebraska RC&D, 125 W. Plum St., Doniphan, NE 68832-0250, phone (402) 845-6678; Southwest Nebraska RC&D, 611 Paxton, Box 86, Cambridge, NE 69022, phone (308) 697-3477; Nebraska Loess Hills RC&D, 408 N. Oakland Ave., Oakland, NE 68045, phone (402) 685-5175; Trail Blazer RC&D, 437 N. Elm, Red Cloud, NE 68970, phone (402) 746-3560; Great Plains RC&D, 402 Fifth St., David City, NE 68632-1635, phone (402) 367-0510; Prairieland RC&D, 104 E. Sixth St., P.O. Box 350, Madison, NE 68748, phone (402) 454-2026; Sandhills RC&D, 102 S.E. Second St., Mullen, NE 69152, phone (308) 546-0636.

The Natural Resources Conservation Service has national responsibility for helping farmers, ranchers and private landowners develop and carry out voluntary efforts to protect the nation's natural resources. NRCS is USDA's technical delivery arm for conservation. Many NRCS programs are conducted in cooperation with other federal agencies, state and local agencies, universities, natural resource districts, commercial businesses and private groups. NRCS provides service through 77 offices in Nebraska.<sup>6</sup> Programs include:

- Conservation Technical Assistance. This is the foundation program of NRCS. Under this program, NRCS provides technical assistance to land users and units of government for the purpose of sustaining agricultural productivity and protecting and enhancing the natural resource base. This assistance is based on the voluntary cooperation of private landowners and involves comprehensive approaches to reduce soil erosion, improve irrigation water management, improve soil and water quantity and quality, improve and conserve wetlands, enhance fish and wildlife habitat, improve air quality, improve pasture and range condition, reduce upstream flooding and improve woodlands. Every year nationally, more than 1 million land users receive these technical services, which are channeled through nearly 3,000 conservation districts across the United States and its territories. Nebraska's state and field offices provide assistance to individuals, groups, organizations and government units, but much of this help is given through the state's natural resource districts.

- the Natural Resources Inventory, a report issued every five years on how well the nation is sustaining natural resources on nonfederal land

- the National Cooperative Soil Survey, which provides the public with local information on the uses and capabilities of soils<sup>7</sup>

<sup>6</sup> See the list of USDA service centers on Pages 116-117.

<sup>7</sup> For more information visit <http://websoilsurvey.nrcs.usda.gov>.

- the Plant Materials Program. At 26 plant materials centers across the country, NRCS tests, selects and ensures the commercial availability of new and improved conservation plants for erosion reduction, wetland restoration, water quality improvement, streambank and riparian area protection, coastal dune stabilization, biomass production, carbon sequestration and other needs.

- River Basin Surveys and Investigations. This program involves river basin surveys and investigations, flood hazard analysis and flood plain management assistance.

- the Small Watersheds Program, which helps local groups plan and install watershed protection projects on private lands

- the Small Watersheds Rehabilitation Program, formed in 2002, to repair, restore or replace older structures, such as dams, built since the 1950s

- the Flood Prevention Program, which applies to 11 flood prevention projects covering about 35 million acres in 11 states, including Nebraska

- the Emergency Watershed Protection Program, which provides emergency help to safeguard lives and property in jeopardy because of sudden watershed impairment by natural disasters; includes flood plain easement for restoration as wetlands

- the Resource Conservation and Development Program (RC&D), which is a locally driven program, gives civic-oriented groups an opportunity to work together by sharing knowledge and resources to solve common problems facing their region. A USDA coordinator helps each designated RC&D council plan, develop and carry out programs for resource conservation, water management, community development and environmental enhancement.

- the Wetlands Reserve Program. Under this program, USDA purchases easements from agricultural landowners who voluntarily agree to restore and protect wetlands.

- the Wetlands Reserve Enhancement Program, started in 2004, targets wetland restoration along the Missouri River on the west side.

- the Farm and Ranch Land Protection Program, intends to protect soil by encouraging landowners to limit conversion of their farmland to nonagricultural uses

- the Environmental Quality Incentives Program, which uses two- to 10-year contracts to help producers with environmental and natural resource conservation improvements on their agricultural lands.

- the Conservation of Private Grazing Land Program, which helps owners and managers of private grazing land address natural resource concerns while enhancing the economic and social stability of grazing land enterprises and the rural communities that depend on them

- the Conservation Stewardship Program, which provides financial and technical assistance for the conservation, protection and improvement of soil, water and related resources on tribal and private lands. It provides payments for producers who have practiced good stewardship on their agricultural lands and incentives for those who want to do more

- the Wildlife Habitat Incentives Program, which encourages the creation of wildlife habitats that support wildlife populations of national, state, tribal and local significance<sup>8</sup>

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<sup>8</sup>For more information visit [www.nrcs.usda.gov](http://www.nrcs.usda.gov).

- the Agricultural Water Enforcement Program, which promotes ground and surface water conservation and the improvement of water quality on agricultural land

### *Research, Education and Economics*

This mission area's main focus is to create, apply and transfer knowledge and technology to provide affordable food and fiber, ensure food safety and nutrition, and support rural development and natural resource needs. These goals are pursued by conducting integrated national and international research, information, education and statistical programs and services.

### **Cooperative State Research, Education and Extension Service**

The Cooperative State Research, Education and Extension Service expands the research and higher education functions of the former Cooperative State Research Service and the education and outreach functions of the former Extension Service.

The service links the USDA's research and education resources and activities. CSREES works with land-grant institutions in each state, territory, and the District of Columbia; more than 130 colleges of agriculture; 59 agricultural experiment stations; 57 cooperative extension services; 63 schools of forestry; 16 historically black land-grant institutions and Tuskegee University; 27 colleges of veterinary medicine; 42 schools and colleges of family and consumer services; 29 American Indian land-grant institutions; and 127 Hispanic-serving institutions.

In cooperation with its partners and customers, CSREES provides the focus to advance a global system of research, extension and higher education in the food and agricultural sciences and related environmental and human sciences.

The service's mission emphasizes partnerships with the public and private sectors to maximize the effectiveness of limited resources. Its programs are intended to increase and provide access to scientific knowledge; strengthen the capabilities of land-grant and other institutions in research, extension and higher education; increase access to and use of improved communication and network systems; and promote informed decision-making by producers and families to improve social conditions in the United States and globally.

The service provides research, extension and education leadership through programs in plant and animal production, protection and processing; natural resources and environment; rural, economic and social development; families, nutrition and 4-H; partnerships; competitive research grants and awards management; science and education resource development; and communications, technology and distance education.

#### *Cooperative Extension Division*

**University of Nebraska Office:** Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources, 211 Agriculture Hall, East Campus, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Lincoln, NE 68583-0703, phone (402) 472-2966, website — [www.extension.unl.edu](http://www.extension.unl.edu)

**Dean and Director:** Chuck Hibberd

The Cooperative Extension Division at land-grant universities has professional staff located at the state, county and local government levels. These staff work together to assess clients' needs and create educational programs to help farmers, families, individuals, rural businesses and communities develop problem-solving and decision-making skills. Extension staff use computers, video, satellites and teleconferences to develop and deliver educational programs to people. The national Cooperative Extension System also assures access to research findings and information nationwide.

In Nebraska, extension programs' federal funds are combined with state funds, county funds and user fees by the Cooperative Extension Division.

*Agricultural Research Division (Nebraska Agricultural)*

**University of Nebraska Office:** Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources, 207 Agriculture Hall, P.O. Box 830704, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Lincoln, NE 68583-0704, phone (402) 472-2045, email address — [aclutter2@unl.edu](mailto:aclutter2@unl.edu), website — [ard.unl.edu](http://ard.unl.edu)

**Dean and Director:** Archie C. Clutter

The Agricultural Research Division is the only public entity in Nebraska charged with conducting agricultural research. It is part of a national network of state agricultural experiment stations at land-grant universities.

The mission of ARD is to conduct problem-solving and fundamental research that:

- addresses priority issues facing Nebraska's agricultural and food industries
- provides the knowledge base essential for managing natural resources
- promotes family well-being and community development
- educates future scientists through hands-on experiences

### **Agricultural Research Service**

**Administrative Office:** 137 Keim Hall, UNL East Campus, Lincoln, NE 68583, phone (402) 472-2961, fax (402) 472-1563

**Research Leader:** Robert A. Graybosch

**Administrative Officer:** Donna A. Martin

The Agricultural Research Service conducts research to improve the productivity, sustainability of production and value of grain, forage and bioenergy crops by developing improved plant germplasm and management practices with basic and applied research in plant genetics, plant pathology, molecular biology and production system management.

Research activities are carried out at 104 domestic locations, including Puerto Rico, and three overseas locations. Much of this research is conducted in cooperation with partners in state universities and state experiment stations, other federal agencies and private organizations. Much research in Nebraska is conducted with the Nebraska Agricultural Experiment Station.

The ARS operates in two Nebraska locations: the University of Nebraska-Lincoln's East Campus and the Roman L. Hruska U.S. Meat Animal Research Center in Clay Center. On East Campus, the ARS includes three research units: Genetics and Breeding; Agroecosystem Management and Grain, Forage and Bioenergy.

**Genetics and Breeding Research Unit:** A218 Animal Science Complex, East Campus, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Lincoln, NE 68583-0908, phone (402) 472-6406

The Genetics and Breeding Research Unit performs analyses of research data from the Roman L. Hruska U.S. Meat Animal Research Center.

**Agroecosystem Management Research Unit:** 137 Keim Hall, UNL East Campus, Lincoln, NE 68583, phone (402) 472-1484

**Research Leader:** Dr. Brian Wienhold

The mission of the Agroecosystem Management Research Unit is to develop sustainable integrated cropping systems and livestock management technologies and disseminate useful information and technologies to customers.

**Grain, Forage and Bio-Energy Research Unit:** 314 Biochemistry Hall, East Campus, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Lincoln, NE 68583-0937, phone (402) 472-1564

**Research Leader:** Dr. Kenneth Vogel

The mission of the Grain, Forage and Bio-Energy Research Unit is to improve the productivity, stability and profitability of wheat, sorghum, forage and biomass energy crops in the Central Great Plains and Midwest.

**Roman L. Hruska U.S. Meat Animal Research Center:** Spur 18D, P.O. Box 166, Clay Center, NE 68933-0166, phone (402) 762-4254

**Supervisory Research Geneticist:** Gary L. Bennett

The Roman L. Hruska U.S. Meat Animal Research Center conducts research to define the role of genetics in animal, pathogen and microbial community interactions in domestic livestock production. The goal is to develop effective genetic strategies that improve meat quality, animal health and production efficiency.

### *USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service NASS, Nebraska Field Office*

**Nebraska USDA Field Office:** 298 Denney Federal Building, 100 Centennial Mall North, Lincoln, NE 68508, phone (402) 437-5541, email address — [nassrfonpr@nass.usda.gov](mailto:nassrfonpr@nass.usda.gov), website — [www.nass.usda.gov](http://www.nass.usda.gov)

**State Director:** Dean C. Groskurth

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's National Agricultural Statistics Service<sup>7</sup> operates the NASS, Nebraska Field Office.

The service provides and disseminates agricultural statistics for the state concerning production, supplies, marketing, prices and other related agricultural statistics. The service presents a picture of current and future agricultural product supplies and shows the distribution of agricultural production statewide through county estimates.

The state law calling for gathering agricultural statistics through assessors was approved in 1898 with the duties assigned to the Bureau of Labor. Agricultural statistics work was transferred to the State Board of Agriculture in 1913. In 1919, duties of the Division of Agricultural Statistics were transferred to the Department of Agriculture.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture established an agricultural statistics office in Lincoln on July 3, 1914. The USDA gathered agricultural statistics in Nebraska as

early as 1866.

Informal cooperation between the Agriculture Statistics Division under the State Board of Agriculture and the USDA's statistical office began in 1914, and a cooperative agreement was signed between the two agencies in 1918. This cooperative arrangement provides a more efficient program than two offices could carry out separately.

The service issues more than 500 agricultural production reports each year. These reports are based on data from surveys, using questionnaires sent to farmers and agricultural business firms. This information is supplemented through personal contacts and administrative data from other government agencies.<sup>9</sup>

The most extensive surveys are made near the end of the year, when a sample of farmers and ranchers receive the County Agricultural Production Survey. This data is used for county crop and livestock estimates.

Most state estimates are published in USDA monthly and annual reports, as well as through releases available from the NASS, Nebraska Field Office. Data are available on the website.

Reports include crop production forecasts during the growing season and annual crop estimates after harvest, livestock inventory estimates, monthly cattle on feed reports, quarterly pig crop reports, monthly price reports, quarterly grain stocks reports, annual county estimates of crops and livestock, weekly weather and crop reports and the Census of Agriculture which is conducted every five years.

### *Rural Development*

**Nebraska State Office:** 308 Denney Federal Building, 100 Centennial Mall North, Lincoln, NE 68508-3859, phone (402) 437-5551, email address — maxine.moul@ne.usda.gov, website — [www.rurdev.usda.gov/ne/](http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/ne/)

**State Director:** Maxine B. Moul

USDA Rural Development's mission is to committed to helping improve the economy and quality of life in rural America. USDA Rural Development financial programs support such essential public facilities and services as water and sewer systems, housing, health clinics, emergency service facilities and electric and telephone service. Rural development promotes economic development by supporting loans to businesses through banks, credit unions and community-managed lending pools. We offer technical assistance and information to help agricultural producers and cooperatives get started and improve the effectiveness of their operations. We also provide technical assistance to help communities undertake community empowerment programs.

USDA Rural Development has a \$181.1 billion portfolio of loans and will administer \$38 billion in loans, loan guarantees and grants through our programs in the 2014 fiscal year. Rural development achieves our mission by helping rural individuals, communities and businesses obtain the financial and technical assistance needed to address their diverse and unique needs.

Rural Development provides service through seven USDA offices in Nebraska.<sup>10</sup>

<sup>9</sup> For charts and tables of Nebraska agricultural statistics, see Pages 466-480.

<sup>10</sup> See the list of USDA offices on Pages 116-117.

### **Rural Business-Cooperative Programs**

**Business and Cooperative Programs Director:** Joan Scheel (402) 437-5594

Rural Development's Business-Cooperative programs seek to enhance the quality of life for all rural Americans by providing leadership in building competitive businesses that can prosper in both the domestic and global trading marketplace. Rural business-cooperative programs include:

- Business and Industry Loan Guarantee Program, which provides loan guarantees for business and industrial development to create and maintain employment and to improve the economic climate. Projects include business/industrial acquisition, construction, enlargement, modernization, real estate, buildings, equipment, working capital and refinancing.
- Intermediary Relending Program, which provides intermediary loans to ultimate recipients for community development projects, establishment and expansion of businesses and creation and/or saving of jobs.
- Rural Business Enterprise Grants, which facilitate and finance the development of small and emerging private business enterprises in rural areas through establishing small business revolving loan funds, acquisition of land, buildings, and infrastructure to enhance business development or by providing technical assistance.
- Rural Business Opportunity Grants, which provide grants for technical assistance for business development and economic planning in rural areas. Funds may be used to develop project feasibility studies, technical assistance, or for business and economic development, planning and training.
- Rural Economic Development Loans and Grant Program, which provides financing for business and community development projects. Projects may include business expansion and start-up, community development, business incubator, medical, training and technology projects or revolving loan funds.
- Energy Programs, which provide for the development and commercialization of renewable energy sources including wind, solar, geothermal, hydrogen, ocean waves, hydroelectric, biomass and biofuel (ethanol, biodiesel, etc.) to change the way people power their homes, businesses and industries.
- Value-Added Producer Grants, which help producers expand the customer base for the products or commodities that they produce. This results in a greater portion of the revenues derived from the value-added activity being made available to the producer of the product.

### **Rural Housing Programs**

**Rural Housing Programs Director:** Mike Bueth (402) 437-5574

**Community Programs Director:** Denise Brosius-Meeks (402) 437-5559

Rural Development's Rural Housing programs provide loans and grants to rural residents and communities unable to obtain access to decent, safe and affordable housing. Loans and grants are also available to repair or rehabilitate rural owner-occupied homes of income eligible households. USDA Rural Development provides direct and guaranteed loans and grants to develop community service facilities such as rural hospitals, libraries, fire stations and other essential types of community facilities. Rural

housing programs include:

- **Guaranteed Homeownership Loans.** USDA Rural Development guarantees loans made by approved lenders to below moderate-income rural residents to purchase or build a single family, rural home. Eligible applicants must have sufficient income and acceptable credit but lack the down payment to secure a loan without assistance.

- **Direct Homeownership Loans.** Loans are made to below low-income households to purchase or build a home located in a rural area. Applicants must have sufficient income and acceptable credit to be considered for financial assistance under this program.

- **Technical Assistance for Self-Help Housing.** Grants are provided to public bodies or public or private non-profit corporations to finance technical and supervisory assistance programs for mutual self-help housing development. Applicants must show that self-help housing is needed in the area and that services and equipment to be paid with the grant cannot be financed through other sources.

- **Rural Home Repair Loans and Grants.** Homeowner-occupants with very-low income may obtain a loan or grant to remove health and safety hazards from a home. Grant recipients must be at least 62 years old and unable to repay a loan. Loan funds can also be used to make general home repairs.

- **Rural Housing Site Loans.** Loans are available to nonprofit groups to buy sites for the development of housing for very-low/low/moderate-income families.

- **Direct and Guaranteed Rural Rental Housing Loans.** Direct loans are made to individuals, nonprofits, housing authorities, partnerships, corporations. Guaranteed loans are originated by an approved lender to non-profit corporations, public bodies, and for-profit organizations with USDA Rural Development guaranteeing a portion of the funds. Loans provide for rental or cooperative housing in rural areas available to persons within eligible income limits.

- **Direct Farm Labor Housing Loans and Grants.** These loans and grants enable farm owners, family farm partnerships or corporations, farmers' associations, nonprofit organizations, agencies, or political subdivisions of state or local governments to provide housing and related facilities for farm laborers.

- **Housing Preservation Grants.** These grants are made to a public body, nonprofit group, or American Indian tribe to develop a program to help homeowners and landlords repair and rehabilitate housing, rental properties or co-ops that are owned or occupied by very-low and low-income households in rural areas.

- **Community Facilities Loans and Grants.** Direct and guaranteed loans and grants are authorized to nonprofit groups, public entities such as municipalities, counties, nonprofit corporations and special-purpose districts, and Indian tribes for essential community service facilities such as fire and rescue buildings and equipment, streets, utilities, community buildings, libraries and health care clinics.

- **Rural Community Development Initiative.** This program provides technical assistance to recipients who undertake projects to improve housing, community buildings and economic development. Eligible applicants include private, nonprofit, public or federally recognized American Indian tribes that provide financial and technical assistance to multiple recipients.

## Rural Utilities Programs

**Community Programs Director:** Denise Brosius-Meeks (402) 437-5559

Rural Development's Rural Utilities programs provide financial assistance for the development of water systems, waste systems and telecommunications in rural communities. Rural utilities programs include:

- **Water and Waste Disposal Loans and Grants.** Funds may be awarded to develop water and wastewater disposal systems, including solid waste disposal and storm drainage. Nonprofit groups, municipalities, special purpose districts and Native American tribes are eligible for this program.
- **Emergency Community Water Assistance Grants.** Grants may be given to rural communities experiencing a significant decline in quantity or quality of drinking water.
- **Technical Assistance and Training Grants.** Grants are available for private nonprofit groups to provide rural water and waste system officials with technical assistance and training in identifying and evaluating solutions to water and wastewater problems relating to water source, storage, treatment and distribution and waste collection treatment and disposal.
- **Solid Waste Management Grants.** Grants are available to private nonprofit groups and public entities to provide technical help and training to rural areas to reduce or eliminate water pollution and improve planning and management of solid waste facilities.
- **Distance Learning and Telemedicine Loan and Grant Program.** This program provides technology equipment and facilities for linking rural schools to other educational institutions, using libraries for distance-learning centers and linking rural hospitals and medical clinics to major medical centers for distance health training. Rural schools, libraries, hospitals, health care clinics and related organizations are eligible to apply.
- **Rural Broadband Access Loans and Loan Guarantees.** Fund the cost of construction, improvement, or acquisition of facilities and equipment for the provision of broadband service in eligible rural communities.
- **Community Connect Grant Program.** Provides grants to eligible applicants that will provide currently unserved areas, on a "community-oriented connectivity" basis, with broadband transmission service that fosters economic growth and delivers enhanced education, health care and public safety services.
- **Public Television Digital Transition Grant Program.** Grants assist Public Television Stations serving substantial rural populations in transitioning to digital broadcast television transmission, as mandated by the Federal Communications Commission. Grant funds may be used to acquire and install facilities and software necessary for the transition. Grant funds may also be used for associated engineering and environmental studies.

# USDA Service Centers in Nebraska, 2015\*

Office Location (County)	Agencies Present <sup>1</sup>	Address	Phone	Fax
Adams	FSA, NRCS	2727 W. Second St., Hastings, NE 68901	(402) 463-6771	(402) 462-6771
Antelope	FSA, NRCS	1105 S St., Neligh, NE 68756	(402) 887-4176	(402) 887-4804
Boone	FSA, NRCS	2581 Hwy 14, Albion, NE 68620	(402) 395-2621	(402) 395-2318
Box Butte	FSA, NRCS	124 E. 24th St, Alliance, NE 69301	(308) 762-4322	(308) 762-2508
Boyd	FSA	108 W. North St., Spencer, NE 68777	(402) 589-9019	(402) 589-1538
Brown/Kearney	FSA, NRCS, RD	731 E. 4th St., Ainsworth, NE 69210	(402) 387-2242	(402) 387-0968
Buffalo/Sherman	FSA, NRCS, RD	4009 Sixth Ave., Kearney, NE 68845	(308) 237-3118	(308) 236-5624
Burt	FSA, NRCS	539 S. 13th St., Tekamah, NE 68601	(402) 374-1920	(402) 374-1817
Butler	FSA, NRCS	317 E. St., David City, NE 68632	(402) 367-3074	(402) 367-3331
Cass	FSA, NRCS	5108 144th St., Weeping Water, NE 68463	(402) 267-2015	(402) 267-7095
Cedar	FSA, NRCS	102 E. Elm, Hartington, NE 68739	(402) 254-6855	(402) 254-6856
Chase	FSA, NRCS	1413 Broadway, Imperial, NE 69033	(308) 882-4263	(308) 882-3919
Cherry/Blaine/Grant/Hooker	FSA, NRCS	518 W. Hwy 20, Valentine, NE 69201	(402) 376-1712	(402) 376-3515
Cheyenne/Deuel	FSA, NRCS	2244 Jackson St., Sidney, NE 69162	(308) 254-4507	(308) 254-0545
Clay	FSA, NRCS	120 W. Fairfield St., Clay Center, NE 68933	(402) 762-3521	(402) 762-3764
Colfax	FSA, NRCS	120 W. 16th St., Ste. B, Schuyler, NE 68661	(402) 352-5200	(402) 352-3302
Cuming	FSA, NRCS	451 E. Deere St., West Point, NE 68788	(402) 372-2451	(402) 372-2074
Custer	FSA, NRCS	137 S. D St., Broken Bow, NE 68822	(308) 872-6877	(308) 872-6502
Dakota	FSA, NRCS	1505 Broadway, Dakota City, NE 68731	(402) 494-6949	(402) 494-6969
Dawes/Stout (north)	FSA, NRCS	1020 W. 6th St., Chadron, NE 69337	(308) 432-4616	(308) 432-5117
Dawson	FSA, NRCS	721 E. Pacific, Lexington, NE 68850	(308) 324-6314	(308) 324-7232
Dixon	FSA, NRCS	105 E. 4th St., Ponca, NE 68770	(402) 755-2277	(402) 755-4293
Dodge	FSA, NRCS	2450 Business Park Dr., Fremont, NE 68025	(402) 721-8455	(402) 721-5268
Dundy	FSA	1303 A St., Benkelman, NE 69021	(308) 423-2402	(308) 423-2407
Fillmore	FSA, NRCS	118 S. 12th St., Geneva, NE 68361	(402) 759-4463	(402) 759-4511
Franklin	FSA, NRCS	805 16th Ave., Franklin, NE 68939	(308) 425-6276	(308) 425-3210
Frontier	FSA, NRCS	106 E. First St., Curtis, NE 69025	(308) 367-4130	(308) 367-4133
Furnas	FSA, NRCS	411 9th St., Beaver City, NE 68926	(308) 268-3055	(308) 268-3700
Gage	FSA, NRCS	2920 East Court, Beatrice, NE 68310	(402) 223-3125	(402) 223-4585
Garden	FSA, NRCS	125 Main St., Oshkosh, NE 69154	(308) 772-3953	(308) 772-3759
Garfield/Loup	FSA	415 Grand Ave., Ruralville, NE 68823	(308) 346-4399	(308) 346-4058
Gosper	FSA, NRCS	309 S. Smith Ave., Elwood, NE 68937	(308) 785-5307	(308) 785-5310
Greeley	FSA	105 W. O'Connor Ave., Greeley, NE 68842	(308) 428-3525	(308) 428-4225
Hall	FSA, NRCS	2550 N. Diers, Grand Island, NE 68803	(308) 395-8586	(308) 382-3688
Hamilton	FSA, NRCS	1527 Third Ave., Aurora, NE 68818	(402) 694-6163	(402) 694-3403
Harlan	FSA, NRCS	707 N. Kennedy, Alma, NE 68920	(308) 928-2089	(308) 928-2619
Hayes	FSA, NRCS	317 Tate St., Hayes Center, NE 69032	(308) 286-3297	(308) 286-3635
Hitchcock	FSA	36465 Hwy. 34, Trenton, NE 69044	(308) 334-5292	(308) 334-5601

\*Source: USDA Farm Service Agency, Nebraska State Office. Agencies within each service center may serve more than one county.

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Holt.....	FSA, NRCS	107 E. Hwy. 20, O'Neill, NE 68763.....	(402) 336-3796.....	(402) 336-1735
Howard.....	FSA, NRCS	1318 Second St., St. Paul, NE 68873.....	(308) 754-4424.....	(308) 754-5675
Jefferson.....	FSA, NRCS	305 Fifth St., Fairbury, NE 68352.....	(402) 729-6134.....	(402) 729-3116
Johnson.....	FSA, NRCS	448 N. 12th St., Tecumseh, NE 68450.....	(402) 335-3377.....	(402) 335-3356
Kearney.....	FSA, NRCS	1005 S. Brown Ave., Minden, NE 68959.....	(308) 832-2280.....	(308) 832-2369
Keith/Arthur.....	FSA, NRCS	1605 E. First St., Ogallala, NE 69153.....	(308) 284-2048.....	(308) 284-4508
Kimball.....	FSA, NRCS	311 E. Second St., Kimball, NE 69145.....	(308) 235-2822.....	(308) 235-2382
Knox.....	FSA, NRCS	111 N. Washington, Bloomfield, NE 68718.....	(402) 373-9914.....	(402) 373-2621
Lancaster.....	FSA, NRCS, RD	800 S. 15th St., Ste. C, Lincoln, NE 68512.....	(402) 423-9683.....	(402) 423-7614
Lancaster/Logan/McPherson.....	FSA, NRCS, RD	1202 S. Cottonwood St., North Platte, NE 69101.....	(308) 534-2360.....	(308) 534-8645
Madison.....	FSA, NRCS	1909 Vicki Lane, Ste. 103, Norfolk, NE 68701.....	(402) 371-5350.....	(402) 371-8930
Merrick.....	FSA, NRCS	1708 31st St., Central City, NE 68826.....	(308) 946-3035.....	(308) 946-3520
Morrill.....	FSA, NRCS	902 Main St., Bridgeport, NE 69336.....	(308) 202-1313.....	(308) 202-0125
Nance.....	FSA, NRCS	420 Broadway, Fullerton, NE 68638.....	(308) 536-2456.....	(308) 536-2971
Nemaha.....	FSA, NRCS	918 26th St., Auburn, NE 68305.....	(402) 274-4987.....	(402) 274-4314
Nuckolls.....	FSA, NRCS	175 E. Fourth St., Nelson, NE 68961.....	(402) 225-2311.....	(402) 225-4543
Otoe.....	FSA, NRCS	988 11th St., Syracuse, NE 68446.....	(402) 269-2361.....	(402) 269-2246
Pawnee.....	FSA, NRCS	601 F St., Pawnee City, NE 68420.....	(402) 852-2020.....	(402) 852-2065
Perkins.....	FSA, NRCS	927 Central Ave., Grant, NE 69140.....	(308) 352-4724.....	(308) 352-2262
Phelps.....	FSA, NRCS	1609 Burlington St., Holdrege, NE 68949.....	(308) 995-6121.....	(308) 995-8760
Pierce.....	FSA, NRCS	210 E. Main St., Pierce, NE 68767.....	(402) 329-4996.....	(402) 329-4039
Platte.....	FSA, NRCS, RD	3276 53rd Ave., Columbus, NE 68601.....	(402) 564-0506.....	(402) 564-6348
Polk.....	FSA, NRCS	530 Nebraska St., Osceola, NE 68651.....	(402) 747-2111.....	(402) 747-2112
Red Willow.....	FSA, NRCS	1400 W. Fifth St., McCook, NE 69001.....	(308) 345-4163.....	(308) 345-3642
Richardson.....	FSA, NRCS	3423 N. Barada St., Falls City, NE 68355.....	(402) 245-2401.....	(402) 245-4939
Saline.....	FSA, NRCS	211 S. Wilson, Wilber, NE 68465.....	(402) 821-3292.....	(402) 821-2102
Sarpy/Douglas.....	FSA, NRCS	8901 S. 154th St., Omaha, NE 68138.....	(402) 896-0121.....	(402) 891-0429
Stauders.....	FSA, NRCS	611 Commercial Park Rd., Wahoo, NE 68066.....	(402) 443-4106.....	(402) 443-3005
Scotts Bluff/Banner/Stoux (south).....	FSA, NRCS, RD	818 Ferdinand Plaza, Scottsbluff, NE 69361.....	(308) 632-2195.....	(308) 635-2787
Seward.....	FSA, NRCS	1940 S. Highway 15, Seward, NE 68434.....	(402) 643-6231.....	(402) 643-2326
Sherridan.....	FSA, NRCS	110 Main St., Rushville, NE 69360.....	(308) 327-2489.....	(308) 327-2909
Stanton.....	FSA, NRCS	715 11th St., Stanton, NE 68779.....	(402) 439-2166.....	(402) 439-5080
Thayer.....	FSA, NRCS	1220 South Ave., Hebron, NE 68370.....	(402) 768-6520.....	(402) 768-6225
Thomas.....	NRCS	39311 Hwy 2, Theford, NE 69166.....	(308) 645-2621.....	(308) 645-2650
Thurston.....	FSA, NRCS	106 S. Costello, Walthill, NE 68067.....	(402) 846-5655.....	(402) 846-5183
Valley/Wheeler.....	FSA, NRCS	1614 N. 28th St., Ord, NE 68862.....	(308) 728-3244.....	(308) 728-1977
Washington.....	FSA, NRCS	1245 Lincoln St., Blair, NE 68008.....	(402) 426-2625.....	(402) 426-2619
Wayne.....	FSA, NRCS	709 Providence Road, Wayne, NE 68787.....	(402) 375-2453.....	(402) 375-4419
Webster.....	FSA, NRCS	20 N. Webster St., Red Cloud, NE 68970.....	(402) 746-2204.....	(402) 746-2284
York.....	FSA, NRCS	419 W. Sixth St., York, NE 68467.....	(402) 362-5700.....	(402) 362-1972

## Department of Commerce

The Department of Commerce encourages, serves and promotes the nation's international trade, economic growth and technological advancement. The department provides a wide variety of programs through the competitive free enterprise system. The department:

- offers assistance and information to increase U.S. competitiveness in the world economy
- administers programs to prevent unfair foreign trade competition
- provides social and economic statistics and analyses for business and government planners
- provides research and support for the increased use of scientific, engineering and technological development
- works to improve our understanding of and benefits from the earth's physical environment and oceanic resources
- grants patents and registers trademarks
- develops policies and conducts research on telecommunications
- provides assistance to promote domestic economic development
- assists in the growth of minority businesses

### *Bureau of the Census*

**Bureau of the Census, Denver Regional Office:** 6950 W. Jefferson Ave., Suite 250, Lakewood, CO 80235, phone (720) 962-3700, toll-free phone (800) 852-6159, website — [www.census.gov/regions/denver](http://www.census.gov/regions/denver)

**Regional Director:** Cathy Lacy

The principal functions of the Bureau of the Census include:

- population and housing censuses every 10 years
- censuses every five years of state and local governments, manufacturers, mineral industries, distributive trades, construction industries and transportation
- monthly, quarterly, annual and other regular surveys that provide information on many subjects covered in the censuses
- compilation of current statistics on U.S. foreign trade, including data on imports, exports and shipping
- special censuses at the request and expense of states and local governments
- publication of estimates and projections of the population
- publication of current data on population and housing characteristics
- current reports on manufacturing, retail and wholesale trade, services, construction, imports and exports, state and local government finances and employment, and other subjects

The state of Nebraska is part of the Denver region served by the Denver Regional Office.

### *International Trade Administration*

The International Trade Administration was established to promote world trade and to strengthen the international trade and investment position of the United States. The administration is responsible for nonagricultural trade operations of the U.S. government and supports the trade policy negotiation efforts of the U.S. trade representative.

#### **U.S. and Foreign Commercial Service**

**Omaha Export Assistance Center:** 6708 Pine St., NBDC Suite 200, Omaha, NE 68182, phone (402) 597-0193, fax (402) 554-3473, email address — [meredith.bond@trade.gov](mailto:meredith.bond@trade.gov), website — [www.export.gov](http://www.export.gov)

**Director:** Meredith Bond

The U.S. Commercial Service is the trade promotion arm of the U.S. Department of Commerce's International Trade Administration. Located across the United States and in U.S. Embassies and Consulates in nearly 80 countries, our global network of trade professionals connects U.S. companies with international buyers, providing them with market intelligence, trade counseling, business matchmaking and advocacy/commercial diplomacy support.

The Omaha Export Assistance Center covers Nebraska.

### *National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration*

The mission of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration is to describe and predict changes in the Earth's environment, and conserve and wisely manage the nation's coastal and marine resources.

#### **National Weather Service**

**Omaha Weather Forecast Office:** 6707 N. 288th St., Valley, NE 68064, phone (402) 359-5166, website — [www.weather.gov/omaha](http://www.weather.gov/omaha)

**Meteorologist in Charge:** James F. Meyer

**Hastings Weather Forecast Office:** 6365 Osborne Drive West, Hastings, NE 68901, phone (402) 462-4287, website — [www.weather.gov/hastings](http://www.weather.gov/hastings)

**Meteorologist in Charge:** Steven G. Eddy

**North Platte Weather Forecast Office:** North Platte Regional Airport, 5250 E. Lee Bird Drive, North Platte, NE 69101, phone (308) 532-4936, website — [www.weather.gov/northplatte](http://www.weather.gov/northplatte)

**Meteorologist in Charge:** Brian Hirsch

**Cheyenne Weather Forecast Office:** 1301 Airport Parkway, Cheyenne, WY 82001, phone (307) 772-2468, website — [www.weather.gov/cheyenne](http://www.weather.gov/cheyenne)

**Meteorologist in Charge:** Vacant

**Goodland Weather Forecast Office:** 920 Armory Road, Goodland, KS 67735, phone (785) 899-7119 or (785) 899-2360, website — [www.weather.gov/goodland](http://www.weather.gov/goodland)

**Meteorologist in Charge:** Scott Mentzer

**Sioux Falls Weather Forecast Office:** 26 Weather Lane, Sioux Falls, SD 57104, phone (605) 330-4247, website — [www.weather.gov/siouxfalls](http://www.weather.gov/siouxfalls)

**Meteorologist in Charge:** Greg Harmon

Nebraska is served by six National Weather Service forecast offices, three within the state and three outside the state. These offices observe the weather and issue forecasts and warnings to the public and aviation officials. The Omaha and North Platte offices are upper-air balloon observation stations. All offices operate Doppler weather radars. NOAA radio stations, which continuously broadcast weather information, cover most of Nebraska. A list of stations and coverage is available at [www.nws.noaa.gov/nwr](http://www.nws.noaa.gov/nwr).

## Department of Defense

The Department of Defense is responsible for providing the military forces needed to deter war and protect the security of the nation. The major elements of these forces are the Air Force, Army, Navy and Marine Corps, consisting of over 1.3 million men and women on active duty. They are backed by the 1.1 million members of the reserve components. In addition, there are over 650,000 civilian employees in the Defense Department.

Under the president, who is commander in chief, the secretary of defense exercises authority over the department. The department is composed of the Office of the Secretary of Defense; the separately organized departments of the Army, Navy and Air Force and the military services within those departments; the Joint Chiefs of Staff and the Joint Staff; the combatant commands, including the U.S. Strategic Command; various defense agencies established for specific purposes, including the Defense Commissary Agency, Defense Finance and Accounting Service, Defense Logistics Agency and Defense Security Service; department field activities; and such other offices, agencies, activities and commands as may be established or designated by law, or by the president or the secretary of defense.

### *Department of the Air Force*

The Department of the Air Force is responsible for defending the United States through control and exploitation of air and space.

#### **Air Combat Command**

The Air Combat Command is one of the Air Force's major commands. It is the primary provider of air combat forces to the nation's unified combatant commands, including the U.S. Strategic Command. ACC operates fighter, bomber, reconnaissance, battle-management, rescue and theater airlift aircraft, as well as command, control, communications and intelligence systems. ACC organizes, trains, equips and maintains combat-ready forces for rapid deployment and employment while working to ensure strategic air defense forces are ready to meet the challenges of peacetime air sovereignty and wartime air defense.

#### *55th Wing*

**55th Wing Command Section:** 205 Looking Glass Ave., Suite 121, Offutt Air Force Base, NE 68113-3130, phone (402) 294-5555; Offutt Air Force Base, website — [www.offutt.af.mil](http://www.offutt.af.mil)

**55th Wing Public Affairs:** 109 Washington Square, Suite 221, Offutt Air Force Base, NE 68113, phone (402) 294-3663

**Commander, 55th Wing:** Brig. Gen. Gregory M. Guillot

Offutt Air Force Base in Bellevue is home to the 55th Wing, the Air Force's premier reconnaissance, combat support and command and control unit. The "Fightin' Fifty-Fifth" is the largest wing in Air Combat Command and is the host unit at Offutt. The wing supports 50 associate units, including U.S. Strategic Command (USSTRATCOM), the Air Force Weather Agency and more than 57,000 active duty members, civilians, family members and retirees. The 55th Wing is comprised of six groups and 31 squadrons executing worldwide intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance, electronic attack, command and control, presidential support and treaty verification missions.<sup>11</sup>

**55th Communications Group:** 201 Lincoln Highway, Suite 206, Offutt Air Force Base, NE 68113-2040, phone (402) 294-4108

The 55th Communications Group is responsible for providing base-level communications support, navigational aids, worldwide command, control, communications and computer systems, information management and combat support critical to the wing and to the base's 50 associate units. The group also is responsible for long-haul satellite, high-frequency communications support to USSTRATCOM's emergency action message dissemination and alternate missile warning center systems. The group also provides software development, operations and maintenance support to command and control computer systems vital to war fighting and national leadership. The group is comprised of two squadrons: the 55th Communications Squadron and the 55th Strategic Communications Squadron.

**55th Maintenance Group:** 602 Looking Glass Ave., Suite 410, Offutt Air Force Base, NE 68113-3110, phone (402) 294-4030

The 55th Maintenance Group is a combat enabler comprised of more than 1,200 personnel who maintain 27 C-135 and four Airborne Command and Control E-4 aircraft. The group responds to nationally tasked worldwide reconnaissance missions, develops maintenance plans to support National Airborne Command Post and National Airborne Operations Center missions and supports five geographically separated units.

**55th Medical Group/Ehrling Bergquist Clinic:** 2501 Capehart Road, Suite 1K47, Offutt Air Force Base, NE 68113-2160, phone (402) 294-7311

The 55th Medical Group operates a composite medical facility located near the Capehart military family housing area on 25th Street and Capehart Road. The Ehrling Bergquist Clinic provides complete medical services for eligible beneficiaries enrolled in TRICARE Prime, the Department of Defense health insurance program. All other categories of beneficiaries are seen on a space-available basis. The clinic is one of the largest, and has the largest dental clinic, in Air Combat Command. The clinic hosts a residency program for Air Force physicians and medical personnel.

**55th Mission Support Group:** 106 Peacekeeper Drive, Suite 2N3, Offutt Air Force Base, NE 68113-4029, phone (402) 294-5552

The 55th Mission Support Group provides vital support for Offutt Air Force Base

<sup>11</sup>For more information about the U.S. Strategic Command, see Page 134-135. For more information about the Air Force Weather Agency, see Page 126.

through engineering, security, mission support, services, supply, transportation, contracting and deployment readiness programs for more than 40,000 active duty, dependent and retiree personnel and 50 associate units. The group is comprised of five squadrons that provide operating support to all units at Offutt.

**55th Operations Group:** 205 Looking Glass Ave., Suite 140, Offutt Air Force Base, NE 68113-3130, phone (402) 294-5468

The 55th Operations Group flies all variants of the RC-135, OC-135, WC-135 and E-4 aircraft. The group operates these aircraft in support of the wing's global reconnaissance, contingency operations, treaty verification, National Command Authority support and command control responsibilities. The group operates aircraft in every geographic command and supports contingency and peacetime operations around the clock. Overseas operating locations include RAF Mildenhall, United Kingdom; NSA Souda Bay, Greece; Kadena AB, Japan and elsewhere. The group also supports the Federal Emergency Management Agency during times of natural disaster. With 12 squadrons and one detachment - and more than 2,600 airmen - it is the largest and most diverse operations group in Air Combat Command.

#### *U.S. Air Force Heartland of America Band*

**Heartland of America Band:** 109 Washington Square, Suite 111, Offutt Air Force Base, NE 68113-2126, phone (402) 294-6046, website — [www.heartlandofamericaband.af.mil](http://www.heartlandofamericaband.af.mil)

**Commander:** Capt. Michael D. Hoerber

The U.S. Air Force Heartland of America Band is an innovative, professional military music organization dedicated to providing local, national and global audiences with incomparable musical products while directly impacting the over arching Air Force mission. The band serves the Air Force by cultivating patriotism and kinship while bridging cultural barriers utilizing the dynamism of music.

The band is assigned to Air Force Air Combat Command, the Air Force's largest active duty command. Established in 1943, this 45-member unit presents more than 150 performances annually in a broad range of musical styles. These groups tour extensively throughout 680,000 square-miles across eight Midwestern states, the largest area of responsibility assigned to any Air Force regional band.

The band supports the 55th Wing, the U.S. Strategic Command, Offutt Air Force Base associate units, seven other Air Force installations, local Air Force recruiting elements and locally-sponsored community concerts. The band reaches a nationwide audience through radio and TV appearances and through its recording products.

#### **Air Education and Training Command**

The Air Education and Training Command is one of the Air Force's major commands. It recruits, accesses, commissions, educates and trains Air Force enlisted and officer personnel. It provides basic military training, initial and advanced technical training, flying training, and professional military and degree-granting professional education. The command also conducts joint, medical service, readiness and Air Force security assistance training.

*Civil Air Patrol*

**Civil Air Patrol, Nebraska Headquarters:** Camp Ashland Training Site, Building 408, P.O. Box 155, Ashland, NE 68003-0155, phone (402) 309-7665, fax (402) 944-4267, email address — wa@newg-cap.org

**Commander:** Col. David Plum

The Civil Air Patrol is the volunteer civilian auxiliary of the Air Force and for communities across the state. It conducts aerospace education programs, provides resources to reduce the flow of drugs into and within the United States, conducts cross flow educational and orientation flights with the Air Force ROTC and helps the Air Force with emergency services, primarily search and rescue work, disaster relief and homeland security.

The Nebraska headquarters for the CAP is at Camp Ashland. The headquarters oversees 14 squadrons: three in Omaha, including one at Offutt Air Force Base; two in Lincoln; and one each in Chadron, Columbus, Fremont, Grand Island, Norfolk, North Platte, Seward, South Sioux City and Valentine.

*Air Force Officer Accession and Training Schools,**Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps*

**Detachment 465, Air Force ROTC:** University of Nebraska-Lincoln, 209 Pershing Military and Naval Science Building, Lincoln, NE 68588-0141, phone (402) 472-2473, fax (402) 472-8836

**Commander:** Lt. Col. Christopher A. Bohn

**Detachment 470, Air Force ROTC:** University of Nebraska at Omaha, 6001 Dodge St., Omaha, NE 68182-0009, phone (402) 554-2318, fax (402) 554-2999

**Commander:** Lt. Col. Ted Spencer

Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps is an educational program designed to give men and women the opportunity to become an Air Force officer while completing a degree. Air Force ROTC is a subunit of Air Force Officer Accession and Training Schools based at Maxwell Air Force Base in Alabama.

*Air Force Recruiting Service*

**369th Recruiting Group, 343rd Recruiting Squadron:** 106 Peacekeeper Drive, Offutt Air Force Base, NE 68113-2010, phone (402) 232-3663, website — www.air-force.com

**Commander:** Lt. Col. Steve Marsman

The 343rd Recruiting Squadron handles Air Force recruiting in the eastern three-fourths of Nebraska, all of Iowa and South Dakota, and parts of Illinois, Minnesota and Wisconsin. The squadron is part of the 369th Recruiting Group based at Lackland Air Force Base in Texas. The squadron oversees recruiting offices in Bellevue, Fremont, Kearney, Lincoln, Norfolk and Omaha.

**372nd Recruiting Group, 367th Recruiting Squadron:** 3990 E. Bijou St., Suite A, Colorado Springs, CO 80909, phone (719) 554-1241

**Commander:** Lt. Col. Gregg Vander Ley

The 367th Recruiting Squadron handles Air Force recruiting in the western one-

fourth of Nebraska, all of Colorado and New Mexico, most of Wyoming, and parts of Kansas, Oklahoma, Texas and Utah. The squadron is part of the 372nd Recruiting Group based at Hill Air Force Base in Utah. The squadron oversees a recruiting office in Scottsbluff.

### **Air Mobility Command**

The Air Mobility Command is one of the Air Force's major commands. It provides airlift, air refueling, special air mission and aeromedical evacuation for U.S. military forces. It also supplies forces to theater commands to support wartime tasking.

#### *Defense Courier Station*

**Defense Courier Station:** 101 Nightwatch Ave., Suite 1, Offutt Air Force Base, NE 68113-3170, phone (402) 294-5355

Defense Courier Station Offutt is one of 18 stations around the globe that are direct reporting units of the United States Transportation Command located at Scott AFB, Ill. The service exists to provide secure, timely and efficient global distribution of classified and sensitive material for the United States and its allies.

### **Air Force Reserve Command**

The Air Force Reserve Command is one of the Air Force's major commands. It provides trained units and individuals to accomplish assigned tasks in support of national objectives. The command performs peacetime missions that are compatible with training and mobilization readiness requirements.

#### *610th Regional Support Group*

**610th Intelligence Operations Flight** 321 Gemini Blvd., Suite 181, Offutt Air Force Base, NE 68113-3194, phone (402) 294-5631

**Commander:** Lt. Col. Brad Hyndman

**710th Medical Squadron:** 2501 Capehart Road, Suite 1K47, Offutt Air Force Base, NE 68113-2160, phone (402) 294-5450

**Commander:** Col. Joan L. Gonzalez

There are two Air Force Reserve units in Nebraska. The 610th Intelligence Flight provides communications security, and the 710th Medical Squadron provides aerospace medicine and emergency care for deployed aerospace expeditionary forces. Both the 610th Intelligence Flight and the 710th Medical Squadron report to the 610th Regional Support Group based at Naval Air Station Fort Worth Joint Reserve Base in Texas.

### **Air Force Space Command**

The Air Force Space Command is one of the Air Force's major commands. It is responsible for making operations in space reliable and routine for the warfighter by continuously improving its ability to provide and support combat forces.

#### *625th Strategic Operations Squadron*

**625th Strategic Operations Squadron:** 901 SAC Blvd., Suite 2B23, Offutt Air

Force Base, NE 68113-5540, phone (402) 294-7418

**Commander:** Lt. Col. Allen M. Steenhoek

The 625th Strategic Operations Squadron is a direct reporting unit of the 20th Air Force based at F.E. Warren Air Force Base in Wyoming. By providing space and missile expertise, the flight aids in the 20th Air Force mission to maintain land-based intercontinental ballistic missiles to deter conflict.

### **Air Force Audit Agency**

**AFAA Area Audit Office:** 106 Peacekeeper Drive, Suite 2N3, Offutt Air Force Base, NE 68113-4032, phone (402) 294-5710

**Chief:** Melissa Abner

The Air Force Audit Agency is an Air Force field operating agency. It provides all levels of Air Force management with independent internal audit and appraisal of financial, operational, management and support activities. The agency produces audit reports that evaluate the efficiency, effectiveness and economy of Air Force programs and activities.

### **Air Intelligence Agency**

The Air Intelligence Agency is an Air Force field operating agency. It provides intelligence services to support Air Force operations through flexible collection, tailored air and space intelligence, weapons monitoring, and information warfare products and services.

#### *67th Intelligence Wing*

**67th Information Operations Wing, 97th Intelligence Squadron:** 102 Night-watch Ave., Suite 181, Offutt Air Force Base, NE 68113-3190, phone (402) 294-4477

**Commander:** Lt. Col. Gordon D. Eissler

The 67th Information Operations Wing (IOW), based at Kelly Air Force Base in Texas, collects and analyzes information about weather, foreign weapon systems, friendly and enemy troop locations and provides this information to warfighters and national decision makers.

The 97th Intelligence Squadron is part of the 67th Intelligence Group of the 67th IOW. The squadron provides RC-135 reconnaissance and combat support aircrews in response to national requirements and to support military commands during contingencies and crises. The squadron directly supports Air Force headquarters and other national agencies in advanced signal research and development. The squadron also provides logistics support to Air Intelligence Agency ground airborne equipment and performs phase maintenance on airborne weapon systems.

**480th Intelligence Group, 20th Intelligence Squadron:** 106 Peacekeeper Drive, Suite 2N3, Offutt Air Force Base, NE 68113-4037, phone (402) 294-5689

**Commander:** Lt. Col. Peter K. Bailey

The 20th Intelligence Squadron is part of the 480th Intelligence Group. The squadron provides tailored geospatial, precision targeting and force protection intelligence to combatant commanders and warfighting forces.

### **Air Force Weather Agency**

**Headquarters, Air Force Weather Agency:** 101 Nelson Drive, Offutt Air Force Base, NE 68113-1023, phone (402) 294-3663, email address — [afwapa@offutt.af.mil](mailto:afwapa@offutt.af.mil), website — [afweather.afwa.af.mil](http://afweather.afwa.af.mil)

**Commander:** Col. Louis Zuccarello

The mission of the Air Force Weather Agency is to maximize America's air, space, cyberspace and land power by enabling decision makers to exploit relevant environmental information across the full spectrum of warfare. AFWA is a field operating agency, reporting to the United States Air Force's director of weather and the deputy chief of staff and space operations. The agency consists of more than 1,300 active duty, civilian and contract personnel at 15 operating locations around the world. AFWA provides centralized weather products and services including climatological and space weather support for the Air Force, Army, special operations, intelligence community and other Department of Defense activities. As the lead command supporting the Air Force Weather Weapon System, the agency executes a \$175 million annual budget.

### *Department of the Army*

The mission of the Department of the Army is to organize, train and equip active duty and reserve forces for the preservation of peace and security and the defense of the United States. As part of the national military team, the Army focuses on land operations. The Army also administers programs aimed at protecting the environment, improving waterway navigation, flood and beach erosion control and water resource development. It provides military assistance to federal, state and local government agencies, including natural disaster relief assistance.

### **U.S. Army Corps of Engineers**

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is one of the Army's major commands. The responsibilities of the Corps of Engineers include:

- performing real property activities, including requirements, programming, acquisition, operation, maintenance and disposal
- managing and executing engineering, construction and real estate programs for the Army and Air Force
  - performing research and development in support of these programs
  - managing and executing civil works programs, including research and development, planning, design, construction, operation and maintenance, and real estate activities related to rivers, harbors and waterways
  - administering laws for protection and preservation of navigable waters and related resources such as wetlands
  - assisting in recovery from natural disasters

*Northwestern Division, Missouri River Region*

**Missouri River Regional Headquarters:** U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Northwestern Division Office, Edward Zorinsky Building, 1616 Capitol Ave., Suite 301, Omaha, NE 68102, phone (402) 996-3840, website — [www.nwd.usace.army.mil](http://www.nwd.usace.army.mil)

**Omaha District Office:** 1616 Capitol Ave., Omaha, NE 68102, phone (402) 995-3900

**Commander:** Col. Robert J. Ruch

**Fort Crook Area Office:** Building 525, P.O. Box 13287, Offutt Air Force Base, NE 68113, phone (402) 294-3551 or (402) 293-2500

**Wehrspann Regulatory Field Office:** 8901 S. 154th St., Suite 1, Omaha, NE 68138, phone (402) 896-0896

**Kearney Regulatory Field Office:** 2214 Second Ave., Suite 4, Kearney, NE 68847, phone (308) 234-1403

**Kansas City District Office:** 601 E. 12th St., Kansas City, MO 64106, phone (816) 389-2000

**Commander:** Col. Roger Wilson

**Harlan County Project Office:** 70788 Corps Road A, Republican City, NE 68971-9742, phone (308) 799-2105

The Northwestern Division of the Army Corps of Engineers covers much of the Pacific Northwest and the Midwest. The division comprises two regions: the North Pacific Region and the Missouri River Region. The Missouri River Region comprises the Omaha District and the Kansas City District.

The Omaha District covers northern Nebraska; most of Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota and Wyoming; and parts of Colorado, Iowa, Minnesota, Missouri and Wisconsin. The Kansas City District covers southern Nebraska, northern Kansas, much of Missouri, and parts of Colorado and Iowa.

### **U.S. Army Forces Command**

The U.S. Army Forces Command is one of the Army's major commands. It commands all assigned active Army forces in the continental United States and the Continental United States Armies, and assigned U.S. Army Reserve troop program units in the continental United States and Puerto Rico. The Forces Command also commands those subordinate commands, installations and activities assigned by the Department of the Army headquarters and, as directed, provides administrative and logistical support to the Department of the Army, the Department of Defense or other federal agencies.

### **U.S. Army Reserve Command**

**Headquarters, 561st Regional Support Group:** Training Center, 2101 Woolworth Ave., Omaha, NE 68108-3433, phone (402) 977-4400

**Commander:** Col. Mark Corson

**Headquarters, 530th Military Police Battalion:** Training Center, Booker Armory, 5730 N. 30th St., Omaha, NE 68111, phone (402) 451-4300

**Commander:** Lt. Col. Christopher Wilson

**Headquarters, 394th Combat Sustainment Support Battalion:** Training Center, 1306 N. Ridge Road Drive, Fremont, NE 68025-3880, phone (402) 721-4786

**Commander:** Lt. Col. Robert Pelletier

**Headquarters, 320th Ordnance Battalion:** Training Center, 3700 West O St., Lincoln, NE 68528-1821, phone (402) 742-7692

**Commander:** Lt. Col. Daniel DeHann

The U.S. Army Reserve Command commands and supports all Army Reserve troop units in the continental United States with the exception of psychological operations and civil affairs units. The USARC also ensures the readiness of its forces and prepares the nearly 1,700 units under its command to mobilize and deploy to a wartime theater of operation.

Nebraska is part of the USARC's 89th Regional Readiness Command based in Wichita, Kan. The 561st Regional Support Group, based in Omaha, consists of the group headquarters, one battalion and 10 subordinate units. Almost all Army Reserve units in Nebraska belong to the 561st Regional Support Group. The only exceptions are two units of the training divisions, based in Oklahoma City; a hospital belonging to the 331st Medical Group, based in Wichita, Kan.; and a legal support office.

### *U.S. Army Materiel Command*

The U.S. Army Materiel Command is one of the Army's major commands. It develops and provides equipment, supplies and related services to the Army, to Army elements of unified commands and specified commands, to Department of Defense agencies, and to other U.S. and foreign agencies as directed.

#### *Munitions and Armaments Command (MAC)*

**Cornhusker Army Ammunition Plant:** 102 N. 60th Road, Grand Island, NE 68803, phone (308) 384-2300, fax (308) 384-4680

**Contracting Officer's Representative:** Mary Wellensiek

**U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Omaha District:** 106 S. 15th St., Omaha, NE 68102-4978

The Munitions and Armaments Command (MAC) provides munitions and armaments support to the war fighter.

The Cornhusker Army Ammunition Plant, a Joint Munitions Command installation, is a former ammunition manufacturing facility that is undergoing property decontamination and disposal. The 11,936-acre facility was established in 1942 in support of World War II. The plant is on the Environmental Protection Agency's National Priorities List for hazardous substance cleanup.

The plant was transferred to the Omaha District of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in 2001 for disposal. Since 1999, the COE has disposed of 11,000 acres of the 11,936-acre facility at public auctions conducted by the General Services Administration.

### **U.S. Army Recruiting Command**

The U.S. Army Recruiting Command is one of the Army's major commands. It is responsible for recruiting quality young men and women to serve in the regular Army and the Army Reserve.

#### *5th Recruiting Brigade, Denver Recruiting Battalion*

**Omaha Recruiting Company:** 7171 Mercy Road, Suite 307, Omaha, NE 68106,

phone (402) 553-5277, email address — 4D4@usarec.army.mil, website — www.usarec.army.mil/5thbde/4dbn/

**Commander:** Capt. Russell A. Jones

**Lincoln Recruiting Company:** 100 Centennial Mall North, Federal Building, Room 292, Lincoln, NE 68508-3849, phone (402) 476-3405, email address — 4D5@usarec.army.mil

**Commander:** Maj. Jeffrey R. Wooten

The Denver Recruiting Battalion has two recruiting companies that operate in Nebraska: the Omaha and Lincoln companies.

The Omaha company serves northeast Cass, Dodge, Douglas, Sarpy, southern Saunders and Washington counties, with two recruiting stations in Omaha, one in Bellevue, one in Millard and one in Council Bluffs, Iowa. The Lincoln company serves the southern, central, north-central and northeast parts of the state, with recruiting stations in Beatrice, Grand Island, Kearney, Lincoln, Norfolk and North Platte.

### U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command

The U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command is one of the Army's major commands. It prepares the Army for war, acts as the architect for the Army for the future, and ensures the command's capability to execute its mission. These duties are carried out through six mission domains: doctrine, force design, materiel requirements, leader development, training and mission support.

#### *U.S. Army Cadet Command, Army Reserve Officer Training Corps*

**U.S. Army ROTC, Department of Military Science:** Creighton University, 2500 California Plaza, Omaha, NE 68178-0165, phone (402) 280-2828, email address — armyrotc@creighton.edu

**Commander:** Lt. Col. Troy D. Krings

**U.S. Army ROTC, Department of Military Science:** University of Nebraska-Lincoln, 110 Military and Naval Science Building, Lincoln, NE 68588-0140, phone (402) 472-2469

**Commander:** Maj. John Blackenhorn

The Army Reserve Officer Training Corps is designed to develop college-educated officers for the active Army, the Army National Guard and the Army Reserve. Army ROTC is a subunit of the U.S. Army Cadet Command based at Fort Monroe, Va. The Creighton University and University of Nebraska-Lincoln programs are part of the 3rd Brigade of the Army ROTC's Eastern Region.

#### *U.S. Military Academy*

**U.S. Military Academy Liaison Officer:** Robert A. Hillyer Jr., 5834 J St., Lincoln, NE 68510, phone (402) 488-2965; website — www.usma.edu/admissions

The U.S. Military Academy is at West Point, N.Y. During the four-year course, cadets receive, besides a general education, theoretical and practical training as junior officers. Cadets who complete the course satisfactorily receive the degree of bachelor of science and a commission as second lieutenant in the Army.

### *Department of the Navy*

The mission of the Department of the Navy is to protect the United States by the effective prosecution of war at sea, including the seizure or defense of advanced naval bases; to support, as required, the forces of all U.S. military departments; and to maintain freedom of the seas. The Department of the Navy includes two uniformed services: the U.S. Navy and U.S. Marine Corps. The department also includes the U.S. Coast Guard in time of war.<sup>12</sup>

#### **U.S. Navy**

The chief of naval operations exercises command over the operating forces of the Navy and the Navy's shore activities.

#### *Naval Air Force, U.S. Pacific Fleet*

**Strategic Communications Wing ONE Detachment:** 201 Looking Glass Ave., Suite 141, Offutt Air Force Base, NE 68113-3130, phone (402) 232-7270

**Officer in Charge:** Cmdr. Lisa Ketterman

Strategic Communications Wing ONE, based at Tinker Air Force Base in Oklahoma, provides operations and administrative command and support for the Navy's TACAMO ("Take Charge And Move Out") E-6 Mercury aircraft. The E-6 provides a survivable communications link between national decision makers and the country's arsenal of strategic nuclear weapons. Strategic Communications Wing ONE is a Navy air wing carrying out a Navy mission in joint operations. The wing oversees Fleet Air Reconnaissance Squadrons THREE (VQ-3) and FOUR (VQ-4) and various training units.

On Oct. 1, 1998, the TACAMO E-6B aircraft took over the Looking Glass mission formerly held by the EC-135 aircraft of the Air Force's 7th Airborne Command and Control Squadron. The Looking Glass mission is to support the U.S. Strategic Command's Command and Control System and provide the USSTRATCOM commander in chief with an airborne platform capable of coordinating and controlling the nation's strategic forces. The detachment at Offutt Air Force Base provides maintenance support for the E-6B.

#### *Naval Education and Training, Naval Reserve Officer Training Corps*

**Naval ROTC, Department of Naval Science:** 103 Military and Naval Science Building, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Lincoln, NE 68588-0139, phone (402) 472-2475, fax (402) 472-7700, website — [www.unl.edu/nrotc](http://www.unl.edu/nrotc)

**Commanding Officer:** Col. Eric T. Litaker

The Naval Reserve Officer Training Corps program was established to educate and train qualified young men and women for service as Navy or Marine Corps commissioned officers. NROTC is overseen by the Navy's chief of naval education and training.

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<sup>12</sup> For more information about the U.S. Coast Guard, see Page 141.

*Navy Recruiting Command*

**Recruiting District Office:** 225 E. 16th Ave., Suite 300, Denver, CO 80203-1607, phone (303) 866-1980

**Commanding Officer:** Cmdr. Richard Eason

The Denver Navy Recruiting District handles Navy recruiting in Nebraska, all of Colorado, most of Wyoming, parts of Kansas and parts of Oklahoma. The district is part of the Navy Recruiting Command's west area. The district office oversees a recruiting station in Scottsbluff.

*Naval Reserve Force*

**Navy Operational Support Center Omaha:** 5808 N. 30th St., Omaha, NE 68111, phone (402) 451-2098

**Commanding Officer:** Lt. Cmdr. Lanny G. Johnston

The role of the Navy Operational Support Center (NOSC) Omaha is to support the fleet by ensuring all assigned units and personnel are mission capable and ready to fully integrate with active duty forces whenever called upon. In the community, NOSC Omaha strives to cultivate and maintain friendly, cooperative relations through a number of events including public speaking/presentations and other community engagements. NOSC Omaha oversees 12 Navy Reserve Units.

**U.S. Marine Corps**

The Marine Corps is organized, trained and equipped to provide Fleet Marine Forces of combined arms, together with supporting air components, for service in the seizure or defense of naval bases and for the conduct of such land operations that may be essential to a naval campaign. The Marine Corps also provides detachments and organizations for service on Navy armed vessels, provides security detachments for protection of naval property at naval stations and bases, and performs such other duties as the president may direct.

*Marine Corps Recruiting Command*

**Headquarters, Des Moines Recruiting Station:** Camp Dodge, Bldg. S-72, 7105 N.W. 70th Ave., Johnston, IA 50131, phone (515) 253-9508, website — [www.9mcd.usmc.mil](http://www.9mcd.usmc.mil)

**Commanding Officer:** Maj. Sean Quinlan

The Des Moines Recruiting Station handles Marine Corps recruiting for all of Nebraska except the Panhandle, all of Iowa, and parts of South Dakota, Illinois and Wisconsin. The station is part of the 9th Marine Corps Recruiting District. The station's Nebraska recruiting offices are in Bellevue, Grand Island, Kearney, Lincoln, North Platte, Omaha, and Sioux City, Iowa.

*Marine Forces Reserve, 4th Marine Logistic Group*

**Engineer Maintenance Company, 4th Maintenance Battalion:** Naval and Marine Corps Reserve Center, 5808 N. 30th St., Omaha, NE 68111-1299, phone (402) 453-8807, fax (402) 457-5474

**Commanding Officer:** Maj. Jessica L. Henryspayde

**Inspector/Instructor:** Capt. Brandon E. Cooley

The mission of Marine Forces Reserve is to augment and reinforce the active Marine Corps forces in time of war, national emergency or contingency operations; and provide personnel and operational tempo relief for the active forces in peacetime.

The mission of the 4th Maintenance Battalion's Engineer Maintenance Company is to provide intermediate maintenance support for Marine Corps engineer equipment (e.g. forklifts, bulldozers, cranes, generators and water purification units) of the Marine Expeditionary Force. The 4th Maintenance Battalion, based in Charlotte, N.C., is a unit of the 4th Marine Logistics Group based in New Orleans, La.

### *National Guard Bureau*<sup>13</sup>

**Nebraska National Guard Headquarters:** 2433 N.W. 24th St., Lincoln, NE 68524-1801, phone (402) 309-8210

**Adjutant General:** Maj. Gen. Daryl L. Bohac

The National Guard consists of citizen-soldiers and airmen who serve the nation and the states. The National Guard has two roles — one as part of the nation's entire military force, and the other to the respective states and territories for emergency response and community support missions. The guard has three missions: to participate in global security for the United States, to provide emergency response at the state level and to give support to local community needs. This dual state/federal role is unique and sets the National Guard apart from other military reserve forces.

The National Guard Bureau, a joint bureau of the Departments of the Army and the Air Force, develops and administers programs for Army National Guard and Air National Guard units. It is also the primary communication channel between the Army and Air Force and the states and territories.

### **Air National Guard**

**Nebraska Air National Guard Headquarters:** 2433 N.W. 24th St., Lincoln, NE 68524-1801, phone (402) 309-8131

**Assistant Adjutant General-Air:** Brig. Gen. Jon F. Fago

**Chief of Staff:** Col. Keith A. Schell

**155th Air Refueling Wing:** 2420 W. Butler Ave., Lincoln Municipal Airport (Nebraska National Air Guard Base), Lincoln, NE 68524-1897, phone (402) 309-1114

**Commander:** Col. Robert Stevenson

**Detachment 1, Headquarters, Nebraska Air National Guard:** 205 Looking Glass Ave., Suite 175, Offutt Air Force Base, NE 68113-3130, phone: (402) 294-7811

**Commander:** Col. John Anderson

The Air National Guard's federal mission is to maintain well-trained, well-equipped units available for prompt mobilization during war and to provide assistance during national emergencies. Under state law, the Air National Guard protects life and property and preserves peace, order and public safety. These missions are accomplished through

<sup>13</sup>For more information about the Nebraska National Guard, see Page 551.

emergency relief support during natural disasters; search and rescue operations; support to emergency management authorities; maintenance of vital public services; and counterdrug operations. In Lincoln, the 155th Air Refueling Wing is composed of an Operations Group that manages flight activities, a Logistics Group that manages the fleet of KC-135 Stratotankers, a Support Group optimized to sustain the wing while conducting its state or federal mission, and a Medical Squadron that provides medical services. At Offutt Air Force Base, a detachment has been established to assist the 55th Wing with training and support functions related to RC-135 flight operations.

### Army National Guard

**Nebraska Army National Guard Headquarters:** 2433 N.W. 24th St., Lincoln, NE 68524-1801, phone (402) 309-8210

**Assistant Adjutant General-Army:** Brig. Gen. Richard H. Dahlman

**Chief of Staff:** COL Brett W. Andersen

**Joint Force Headquarters:** 2433 N.W. 24th St., Lincoln, NE 68524-1801, phone (402) 309-8379

**Commander:** Maj. Kevin Hynes

**Headquarters, 92nd Troop Command:** 2400 N.W. 24th St., Lincoln, NE 68524-1892, phone (402) 309-1723

**Commander:** COL Anita Curington

**Headquarters, 67th Battle Field Surveillance Brigade:** 1776 N. 10th St., Lincoln, NE 68508-1096, phone (402) 309-7367

**Commander:** COL Kevin Lyons

**Headquarters, 209th Regional Training Institute:** 220 County Road A, Ashland, NE 68003-6000, (402) 309-7608

**Commander:** LTC Curtis Abendroth

The Army National Guard's federal mission is to maintain well-trained, well-equipped units available for prompt mobilization during war and to provide assistance during national emergencies. These units have received specialized training enabling them to conduct diverse missions such as combat operations, ground and air transportation, nuclear biological and chemical operations, medical support operations, law enforcement and security operations and leadership development training. Under state law, the Army National Guard protects life and property while preserving peace, order and public safety. These missions are accomplished through emergency relief support during natural disasters, search and rescue operations, support to emergency management authorities, maintenance of vital public services and counterdrug operations. Army National Guard units are located in 28 Nebraska communities.

### U.S. Property and Fiscal Office

**U.S. Property and Fiscal Office for Nebraska:** 2433 N.W. 24th St., Lincoln, NE 68524-1801, phone (402) 309-8250, email address — david.d.zwart.mil@mail.mil

**U.S. Property and Fiscal Officer:** Col. David D. Zwart

The U.S. Property and Fiscal Office for Nebraska is accountable for all federal funds and property in the possession of the Nebraska Air National Guard and the

Nebraska Army National Guard. The office ensures that all federal funds are obligated and expended in conformance with applicable guidelines. The office provides accounting and payroll, audit and internal review, data processing, logistics, and purchasing and contracting support.

### *Joint Chiefs of Staff and Joint Staff*

The Joint Chiefs of Staff consist of the chairman, the vice chairman, the chief of staff of the Army, the chief of naval operations, the chief of staff of the Air Force, the commandant of the Marine Corps and the director of the National Guard Bureau. The chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff is the principal military adviser to the president, the National Security Council and the secretary of defense.

The Joint Staff under the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff assists the chairman and the other members of the Joint Chiefs of Staff in carrying out their responsibilities. The Joint Staff is composed of all members of the Armed Forces and civilian employees assigned or detailed to permanent duty to perform the functions assigned to the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

### **National Airborne Operations Center**

**National Airborne Operations Center:** 102 Looking Glass Ave., Suite 19, Offutt Air Force Base, NE 68113-3150, phone (402) 294-6291

**Commander:** Col. Russell Mammoser, U.S. Air Force

The National Airborne Operations Center is part of the national military command centers that directly support the president, secretary of defense and joint chiefs of staff in the exercise of national defense responsibilities.

The center operates four E-4B airplanes, which are modified Boeing 747s capable of serving as the NAOC. In the event of national emergency or destruction of the ground command and control centers, the aircraft provides a command, control and communications center to direct U.S. forces, execute emergency war orders and coordinate actions by civil authorities.

### *U.S. Strategic Command*

**Office of the Commander:** CC, 901 SAC Blvd., Suite 2A1, Offutt Air Force Base, NE 68113-6000, phone (402) 294-4111, website — [www.stratcom.mil](http://www.stratcom.mil)

**Public Affairs Office:** J020, 901 SAC Blvd., Suite 1A1, Offutt Air Force Base, NE 68113-6000, phone (402) 294-4130

**Commander:** Gen. Kevin P. Chilton, U.S. Air Force

**Deputy Commander:** Vice Adm. Carl V. Mauney

The U.S. Strategic Command is headquartered at Offutt Air Force Base with more than 2,500 people representing all four branches of the military and Department of Defense civilians and contractors. The command is one of nine U.S. unified commands under the Department of Defense and provides a unified resource for greater understanding of specific threats around the world and the means to respond to those threats rapidly.

The missions of USSTRATCOM are to: deter attacks on U.S. vital interests; ensure U.S. freedom of action in space and cyberspace; deliver integrated kinetic and non-kinetic effects to include nuclear and information operations in support of U.S. Joint Force Commander operations; synchronize global missile defense plans and operations; synchronize regional combating of weapons of mass destruction plans; provide integrated surveillance and reconnaissance allocation recommendations to the Secretary of Defense and advocate for capabilities as assigned.

### *Defense Commissary Agency*

**Offutt Commissary:** 101 Meyer Ave., Building 107, Offutt Air Force Base, NE 68113-2130, phone (402) 294-6782, email address — Anthony.chaki@deca.mil

**Store Director:** Anthony Chaki

The Defense Commissary Agency is responsible for providing a worldwide system of commissaries for reselling groceries and household supplies to military service members, their families and other authorized patrons.

### *Defense Logistics Agency*

The Defense Logistics Agency provides supplies to the military services and supports their acquisition of weapons and other materiel. Support begins with joint planning with the services for parts for new weapon systems, extends through production, and concludes with the disposal of materiel that is obsolete, worn out or no longer needed. The agency provides supply support, contract administration services, and technical and logistics services to all branches of the military and to a number of federal agencies.

### **Document Automation and Production Service**

**DAPS-Offutt:** 106 Peacekeeper Dr., Suite 2N3, Offutt Air Force Base, NE 68113-4005, phone (402) 294-4115, website — [www.daps.dla.mil](http://www.daps.dla.mil)

**Electronic Duplication Systems Technician:** Joseph Knott

The Defense Automated Printing Service handles printing needs for the Department of Defense and federal executive branch agencies. DAPS specializes in electronic conversion, retrieval, output and distribution of digital and hard copy information. The office at Offutt Air Force Base is part of a 10-member office group based in Bangor, Wash.

### **Defense Reutilization and Marketing Service**

**Defense Reutilization and Marketing Office:** 107 Comsat Dr., Offutt Air Force Base, NE 68113-3200, phone (402) 232-7180, website — <http://wex.drms.dla.mil>

**Operations Monitor:** Jon Howery

The Defense Reutilization and Marketing Service provides for the redistribution and disposal of DOD equipment and supplies no longer needed by the original user. When equipment becomes surplus, it is offered to the General Services Administration and state agencies, after which it is sold to the public on the Internet at [www.govliquidation.com](http://www.govliquidation.com).

The Defense Reutilization Marketing Office at Offutt Air Force Base serves Nebraska, western Iowa and southeastern South Dakota.

### *Defense Security Service*

**Omaha Field Office:** 113 Grant Circle, Suite 217, Offutt Air Force Base, NE 68113-4068, phone (402) 294-5875, website — [www.dss.mil](http://www.dss.mil)

**Special Agent in Charge:** William A. Harrison Jr.

The Defense Security Service conducts all personnel security investigations for DOD components and, when authorized, also conducts investigations for other U.S. government activities. These include investigating allegations of subversive affiliations and investigating adverse suitability information. The Omaha Field Office serves most of Nebraska, most of Iowa, and parts of South Dakota and Minnesota.

### *U.S. Military Entrance Processing Command*

**Omaha Military Entrance Processing Station:** 5303 F St., Omaha, NE 68117-2805, phone (402) 733-7474; fax (402) 733-7660; email address — [rose.abell@mepcom.army.mil](mailto:rose.abell@mepcom.army.mil)

**Commander:** Maj. Darin Casey McDole

The Omaha Military Entrance Processing Station is one of 65 stations nationwide reporting to the U.S. Military Entrance Processing Command. The MEPS mission is to ensure that Army, Air Force, Navy, Marine, Coast Guard and National Guard applicants are medically, mentally and morally qualified to enter into military service. After applicants are deemed qualified, the MEPS processes them into the service and ships them to basic training stations. The Omaha MEPS processes applicants from the eastern two-thirds of Nebraska and western Iowa.

**Denver Military Entrance Processing Station:** 721 19th St., Suite 275, Denver, CO 80202-2515, phone (303) 623-1020, ext. 223, fax (303) 623-5506, email address — [denv-sec@mepcom.army.mil](mailto:denv-sec@mepcom.army.mil), website — [www.mepcom.army.mil](http://www.mepcom.army.mil)

**Commander:** Maj. C. Hugo Morales

The Denver station processes applicants from western Nebraska, Colorado, and parts of Kansas and Wyoming.

## **Department of Energy**

The Department of Energy, in partnership with its customers, provides the technical information and the scientific and educational foundation for the technology, policy and institutional leadership necessary to achieve efficiency in energy use, diversity in energy sources, a more productive and competitive economy, improved environmental quality and a secure national defense.

### *Western Area Power Administration*

**Rocky Mountain Region, Division of Wyoming/Nebraska Maintenance, Gering Field Office (facilities in Alliance, Bridgeport, Chadron, Dunlap, Gering,**

**Lyman, Kimball, Mitchell, Morrill and Stegall:** 1030 U St., Gering, NE 69341, phone (308) 436-2889, website —[www.wapa.gov](http://www.wapa.gov)

**Field Maintenance Manager:** David J. Golden

**Rocky Mountain Region, Division of Eastern Colorado Maintenance, Brush Field Office (facilities in Chappell, Ogallala and Sidney):** 17532 Highway 71, Brush, CO 80723, phone (970) 842-2372

**Field Maintenance Manager:** Larry Hill

**Rocky Mountain Region, Division of Eastern Colorado Maintenance, Sidney Converter Station:** P.O. Box 57, Sidney, NE 69162, phone (308) 254-3046

**Foreman II:** Ernest Schmidt

**Rocky Mountain Region, Division of Wyoming/Nebraska Maintenance, Casper Office:** 5600 Poison Spider Road, Casper, WY 82604, phone (307) 261-5775

**Division Director:** Kurtis Mayer

**Upper Great Plains Region, Huron Maintenance Office:** 200 Fourth St. S.W., Huron, SD 57350-2474, phone (605) 353-9201, toll-free phone (800) 365-9272, fax (605) 353-9205

**Maintenance Manager:** Dan Olson

The Western Area Power Administration is responsible for the federal electric power marketing and transmission functions in 15 central and western states, including Nebraska. WAPA headquarters is in Lakewood, Colo. WAPA is one of the four power administrations of the Department of Energy.

WAPA annually markets and transmits more than 10,000 megawatts of power from 55 hydropower plants. It sells about 15 percent of national and 65 percent of regional hydroelectric generation. WAPA also markets the United States' 547-megawatt entitlement from the coal-fired Navajo Generating Station near Page, Ariz.

The administration sells power to cooperatives, municipalities, public utility districts, private utilities, federal and state agencies, and irrigation districts. These wholesale power customers, in turn, provide service to retail consumers in Arizona, California, Colorado, Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Mexico, North Dakota, South Dakota, Texas, Utah and Wyoming.

WAPA operates and maintains an extensive high-voltage power transmission system to deliver power to customers. This system includes 16,760 miles (26,967 kilometers) of transmission lines.

Except for the Central Arizona Project's Navajo generation, power facilities are part of 11 rate-setting systems. These are made up of 14 multipurpose water resource projects and a transmission project.

Nebraska lies in two project areas. Western Nebraska is served by the Loveland Area Projects, which includes the Western Division of the Pick-Sloan Missouri Basin Program. Eastern Nebraska is served by the Eastern Division of the Pick-Sloan Missouri Basin Program. The Rocky Mountain customer service region markets power for the Loveland Area Projects, and the Upper Great Plains customer service region markets power for Pick-Sloan's Eastern Division.

## Department of Health and Human Services

The Department of Health and Human Services is the U.S. executive department that works to improve the health, safety and well-being of U.S. citizens. Its programs include disease screening and prevention, safety and wellness, nutrition and food and drug information.

### *Food and Drug Administration*

**Omaha Resident Post:** 10918 John Gault Blvd., Omaha, NE 68137, phone (402) 331-8536, website — [www.fda.gov](http://www.fda.gov)

**Resident in Charge:** Eric Mueller

Food and Drug Administration programs are designed to achieve the overall objective of consumer protection. FDA's mission is to ensure that food is safe, pure and wholesome; that human and animal drugs, biological products and medical devices are safe and effective; and that electronic products that emit radiation are safe.

### *Indian Health Service*

**Winnebago PHS Indian Hospital:** Aberdeen Area, Winnebago Service Unit, P.O. Box 88, Winnebago, NE 68071, phone (402) 878-2231

**Service Unit Director:** Donald Lee

**Carl T. Curtis Health Education Center:** Aberdeen Area, Omaha Service Unit, P.O. Box 250, Macy, NE 68039, phone (402) 837-5381

**Chief Executive Officer:** Wehnona St. Cyr

The goal of the Indian Health Service is to raise the health status of American Indians and Alaska Natives to the highest possible level. The service provides a comprehensive health service delivery system for American Indians and Alaska Natives, with opportunity for tribal involvement in developing and managing programs. The service:

- assists Indian tribes in developing their health programs through activities such as health management training, technical assistance and human resource development
- facilitates and assists tribes in coordinating health planning, in obtaining and using health resources available through federal, state and local programs, in operating comprehensive health programs, and in evaluating health programs
- provides comprehensive healthcare services, including hospital and ambulatory medical care, preventive and rehabilitative services, and development of community sanitation facilities
- serves as the primary federal advocate for Indians to ensure comprehensive health services for American Indian and Alaska Natives

The Aberdeen Area Indian Health Service was established to serve the Indian tribes in North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska and Iowa. The Aberdeen Area Office in Aberdeen, S.D., is administrative headquarters for 22 service units.

Several tribes assume partial or full responsibility for their own healthcare through contractual arrangements with the Aberdeen Area IHS. Tribally managed facilities include the Carl T. Curtis Health Education Center, an ambulatory care and nursing

home facility in Macy managed by the Omaha Tribe.

The five-physician, 30-bed hospital in Winnebago supplies basic healthcare to members of the Winnebago and Omaha tribes and to many Indians living in the Sioux City, Iowa, area.

## Department of Homeland Security

**Nebraska Contact Person:** Mike Foley, Lieutenant Governor, Room 2315, State Capitol, Lincoln, NE 68509-4863, phone (402) 471-2256, website — [www.ltgov.ne.gov](http://www.ltgov.ne.gov)

On Nov. 25, 2002, President George W. Bush signed the Homeland Security Bill of 2002 into law, which created the Department of Homeland Security. The department's purpose is to protect the United States from terrorist attacks, reduce the country's vulnerability to terrorism and minimize damage and aid recovery if terrorist attacks occur. The legislation combined intelligence analysis and infrastructure protection, border protection and immigration and response-and-recovery resources into one department. The department provides state and local government agencies with a central resource for homeland security issues.

The department's creation marked the largest reorganization of the federal government since World War II. Before the reorganization, more than 100 government organizations performed homeland security duties. The department employs approximately 180,000 federal workers.

The department contains five divisions: Border and Transportation Security; Emergency Preparedness and Response; Science and Technology; Information Analysis and Infrastructure Protection; and Management.

Nebraska has offices within the Border and Transportation division.

### *Border and Transportation Security*

The Border and Transportation Security division secures national borders and transportation systems, which cover 350 official ports of entry. The division manages who and what enters the country and prevents terrorists and weapons of terror from entering the country while ensuring legitimate traffic flows efficiently.

As ordered by the Homeland Security Bill of 2002, the division absorbed these offices: U.S. Customs Service and Federal Law Enforcement Training Center, formerly part of the Department of Treasury; Transportation Security Administration, formerly part of the Department of Transportation; Office for Domestic Preparedness, formerly part of the Department of Justice; and Federal Protective Service, formerly part of the General Services Administration.

The Department of Homeland Security shares duties of the Animal and Health Inspection Service with the Department of Agriculture and shares duties of the Immigration and Customs Enforcement and the Border Patrol with the Department of Justice.

### **U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement**

U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement is the investigative component of

Border and Transportation Security. It combines the functions and resources of several agencies, including the U.S. Customs Service and the former Immigration and Naturalization Service. ICE enforces immigration and customs laws, protects specified federal buildings and leads air and marine enforcement activities.

**Omaha Office for Detention and Removal Operations:** 1717 Ave. H, Omaha, NE 68110, phone (402) 536-4916

**Assistant Field Office Director:** Jeffrey Lynch

*U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services*

**Omaha Field Office:** 1717 Ave. H, Omaha, NE 68110, National Customer Service Call Center (800) 375-5283, website — [www.uscis.gov](http://www.uscis.gov)

**Field Office Director:** Caroline Pratt

**Nebraska Service Center:** P.O. Box 82521, Lincoln, NE 68501-2521, National Customer Service Call Center (800) 375-5283, website — [www.uscis.gov](http://www.uscis.gov)

**Director:** Marilyn Wiles

In March 2003, the services formerly provided under the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service were moved into U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services. USCIS works to improve the administration of benefits and citizenship services. Benefits processed through the Nebraska Service Center include processing:

- petitions for employment that allow current and prospective employees to stay in the U.S.
- applications for permanent residence filed by employees, asylees, refugees and beneficiaries of programs which grant immigrant status to eligible foreign nationals
- travel documents for eligible non-citizens
- employment authorization documents for eligible non-citizens
- naturalization applications from active duty U.S. military personnel

*U.S. Customs and Border Protection*

**Omaha Port Director's Office:** 5229 Boeing Court, Omaha, NE 68110, phone (402) 341-0240, website — [www.CBP.gov](http://www.CBP.gov)

**Port Director:** Leo Hachey

U.S. Customs and Border Protection enforces customs, immigration, agriculture and related laws. CBP also administers the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, and other laws for more than 80 other government agencies. The primary mission of the agency is preventing terrorists and the instruments of terror from entering the United States while facilitating the passenger and trade operations arriving or departing the United States. Other responsibilities of the U.S. Customs and Border Protection include:

- interdicting and seizing contraband, including narcotics and illegal drugs
- assessing and collecting customs duties, excise taxes, fees and penalties due on imported merchandise
- processing persons, carriers, cargo and mail into and out of the country
- enforcing a wide range of requirements to protect the public, such as auto safety and emission control standards, radiation and radioactive material standards; counterfeit monetary instruments; flammable fabric restrictions; animal and plant quarantine requirements; and food, drug and hazardous substance prohibitions

- detecting and apprehending persons engaged in practices designed to circumvent customs and related laws; copyright, patent and trademark provisions; quotas; and marking requirements for imported merchandise
- cooperating with other federal agencies and foreign governments in suppressing the traffic of illegal narcotics and pornography
- enforcing export control laws and intercepting illegal high-technology and weapon exports
- overseeing Deferred Inspections Site for Nebraska, South Dakota, and Western Iowa where incoming aliens are referred when documentation requires additional review and/or possible correction.

### *U.S. Coast Guard*

**Cutter Gasconade:** 9800 John J. Pershing Drive, Omaha, NE 68112, phone (402) 451-7681

**Officer in Charge:** Master Chief Boatswain Mate C.D. Smith

**Cutter Support Team, Omaha:** 9800 John J. Pershing Drive, Omaha, NE 68112, phone (402) 453-4333

**Auxiliary Station:** U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary, c/o U.S. Coast Guard, P.O. Box 12337, Omaha, NE 68112-0337, phone (402) 451-7083

**Division Captain:** Capt. E. Kay Reed

The Coast Guard is a branch of the U.S. armed forces at all times and is a service within the Department of Homeland Security except when operating as part of the Navy in time of war or when the president directs. Before March 1, 2003, the Coast Guard was part of the Department of Transportation. The Coast Guard:

- maintains the U.S. aids to navigation system, which is intended to help a navigator determine a position or plot a safe course or to warn the navigator of dangers or obstructions to navigation
  - directs a national boating safety program for small boats
  - administers laws regulating construction, maintenance and operation of bridges and causeways across U.S. navigable waters
  - oversees the Coast Guard Auxiliary, a nonmilitary volunteer organization of private citizens who conduct boating education programs, patrol marine regattas, participate in search and rescue operations and conduct courtesy marine examinations of recreational boats
  - administers a licensing and regulatory program governing the construction, ownership and operation of deepwater ports on the high seas to transfer oil from tankers to shore
  - operates the nation's icebreaking vessels to facilitate maritime transportation and aid in prevention of flooding in domestic waters
  - enforces the Federal Water Pollution Control Act and other laws relating to the protection of the marine environment when spills occur
  - formulates and enforces safety standards for the design, construction, equipment and maintenance of commercial vessels of the United States and offshore structures on the Outer Continental Shelf

- evaluates and licenses U.S. Merchant Marine personnel
- administers the Marine Safety Council, which acts as a deliberative body to consider proposed Coast Guard regulations
  - serves as the primary U.S. maritime law enforcement agency
  - maintains a state of readiness to provide coastal and harbor defense as part of the Navy in time of war, or as directed by the president
    - enforces rules and regulations governing the safety and security of ports and anchorages, and the movement of vessels and prevention of pollution in U.S. waters
    - oversees the Coast Guard Reserve, which provides individuals and trained units for active duty in time of war or national emergency and which augments the active service during domestic emergencies and during routine and peak operations
      - maintains a system of rescue vessels, aircraft and communications facilities to save life and property in and over the high seas and the navigable waters of the United States
      - operates Vessel Traffic Services in six major ports to provide for the safe movement of vessels at all times

The Cutter *Gasconade* is a 75-foot river buoy tender attached to a 90-foot barge that operates on the Missouri River between Glasgow, Mo., and Sioux City, Iowa. The ship deploys aids-to-navigation buoys and day beacons to mark the ever-changing river channel. The ship, which has a crew of 13 active Coast Guard members and 31 reserve members, has its home port at Omaha. The cutter support team in Omaha provides support services to the ship and maintains the port building and grounds.

The recruiting station in Bellevue handles Coast Guard recruiting for all of Nebraska, South Dakota and Iowa.

The Coast Guard Auxiliary operates on four levels: flotillas, divisions, district regions and national. A division of the auxiliary exists in the eastern part of Nebraska. This division supports the activities of five flotillas that primarily conduct public education programs. The flotillas also conduct safety patrols on the Missouri River and area lakes, as well as conduct vessel safety checks and other operations with local law enforcement and state agencies.

### *U.S. Secret Service*

**Omaha Resident Agent's Office:** 2707 N. 108th St., Omaha, NE 68164, phone (402) 965-9670, fax (402) 965-9670

**Resident Agent in Charge:** John G. Gutmiedl

The Secret Service has the authority and responsibility to:

- protect the president, the vice president, the president-elect, the vice-president-elect and their immediate families; major presidential and vice presidential candidates; former presidents and their spouses, except that protection of a spouse terminates in the event of remarriage; children of a former president until the age of 16; visiting heads of foreign states or governments; other distinguished foreign visitors to the United States; and official U.S. representatives performing special missions abroad
  - provide security at the White House complex and other presidential offices, the temporary official residence of the vice president in the District of Columbia, and foreign diplomatic missions in the Washington, D.C., area and throughout the United

States, its territories and possessions

- detect and arrest people who break U.S. laws relating to currency, coins, obligations and securities of the United States or of foreign governments
- suppress the forgery and fraudulent negotiation or redemption of U.S. government checks, bonds, and other obligations or securities
- conduct investigations relating to certain criminal violations of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act, the Federal Land Bank Act and the Government Losses in Shipment Act
- detect and arrest offenders of laws pertaining to electronic funds transfer fraud, credit and debit card fraud, false identification documents or devices, computer access fraud and U.S. Department of Agriculture food coupons

## Department of Housing and Urban Development

**Nebraska State Office:** Edward Zorinsky Federal Building, 1616 Capitol Ave., Suite 329, Omaha, NE 68102-4908, phone (402) 492-3101, website — [www.hud.gov](http://www.hud.gov)

**Office Director:** Earl Redrick

The Department of Housing and Urban Development is the principal federal agency responsible for programs concerned with the nation's housing needs, fair housing opportunities, and community improvement and development.

Although HUD administers many programs, its major functions may be grouped into six categories:

- insuring mortgages for single-family and multifamily dwellings, and extending loans for home improvement and for purchasing mobile homes
- channeling funds from investors into the mortgage industry through the Government National Mortgage Association
- making direct loans for construction or rehabilitation of housing projects for the elderly and the handicapped
- providing housing subsidies for low- and moderate-income families
- providing community development grants to states and communities
- promoting and enforcing fair housing and equal housing opportunity

## Department of the Interior

The mission of the Department of the Interior is to protect and provide access to the nation's natural and cultural heritage and honor the nation's trust responsibilities to tribes. The department manages the nation's public lands and minerals, national parks, national wildlife refuges and western water resources and upholds federal trust responsibilities to Indian tribes. It is responsible for migratory wildlife conservation; historic preservation; endangered species; surface-mined land protection and restoration; mapping; and geological, hydrological and biological science.

### *U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service - Law Enforcement*

**Office of the Resident Agent in Charge (Nebraska, South Dakota and North Dakota):** P.O. Box 477, Fort Calhoun, NE 68023, phone (402) 468-4218, email address

— Robert\_Prieksat@fws.gov

**Resident Agent in Charge:** Bob Prieksat

**Office of Law Enforcement:** 8523 W. State Highway 4, Beatrice, NE 68310, phone (402) 223-1709, email address — ellen\_goeckler@fws.gov

**Special Agent:** Ellen Goeckler

**Office of Law Enforcement:** P.O. Box 1086, North Platte, NE 69101, phone (308) 534-0925, email address — mike\_damico@fws.gov

**Special Agent:** Mike Damico

**U.S. Fish and Wildlife Ecological Services:** 203 W. Second St., Federal Building, Second Floor, Grand Island, NE 68801, phone (308) 382-6468

**Acting Nebraska Field Supervisor:** Eliza Hines

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is responsible for migratory birds, endangered species, certain marine mammals and inland sport fisheries. Its mission is to conserve, protect and enhance fish and wildlife and their habitats. Within this framework, the service strives to foster an environmental stewardship ethic based on ecological principles and scientific knowledge of wildlife; works with the states to improve the conservation and management of fish and wildlife resources; and administers a national program providing opportunities to the public to understand, appreciate and wisely use these resources.

The service has headquarters in Washington, D.C., seven regional offices, and a variety of field units and installations. These include more than 500 national wildlife refuges and 37 wetland management districts totaling more than 93 million acres; 65 national fish hatcheries; and a nationwide network of wildlife law enforcement agents. Federal wildlife law enforcement in Nebraska and the Dakotas is supervised by the resident agent in charge in Ft. Calhoun, Neb.

Law enforcement is essential to virtually every aspect of wildlife conservation. The Office of Law Enforcement contributes to U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service efforts to manage ecosystems, save endangered species, conserve migratory birds, preserve wildlife habitat, restore fisheries, combat invasive species and promote international wildlife conservation.

Service law enforcement focuses on potentially devastating threats to wildlife resource-illegal trade, unlawful commercial exploitation, habitat destruction and environmental contaminants. The Office of Law Enforcement investigates wildlife crimes, regulates wildlife trade, helps Americans understand and obey wildlife protection laws and works in partnership with international, state and tribal counterparts to conserve wildlife resources.

In the area of resource management, the service provides leadership for the protection and improvement of land and water habitats. Activities include surveillance of pesticides, heavy metals and other contaminants; studies of fish and wildlife populations; ecological studies; environmental impact assessments, including hydroelectric dams, nuclear power sites, stream channelization and dredge-and-fill permits; and environmental impact statement reviews.

The service helps fulfill the public demand for recreational fishing while maintaining the nation's fisheries at a level and in a condition that will ensure their continued survival.

Specific wildlife and fishery resource programs include wildlife refuge management for migratory bird production, migration and wintering; migratory bird population, production and harvest surveys; refuge management of resident species of mammals and nonmigratory birds; protection of certain marine mammals; fish hatchery production and stocking; law enforcement; and technical assistance.

The service provides national and international leadership in identifying, protecting and restoring endangered species of animals and plants. This program includes developing the Federal Endangered and Threatened Species List, conducting status surveys, preparing recovery plans, and coordinating efforts nationally and internationally; operating national wildlife refuges; law enforcement; foreign importation enforcement; and consultation with foreign countries.

Public use and information programs include preparing leaflets and brochures; operating environmental study areas on service lands; operating visitor centers, self-guided nature trails, observation towers and display ponds; and providing recreational activities such as hunting, fishing and wildlife photography.

**Crescent Lake-North Platte National Wildlife Refuge Complex:** 10630 Road 181, Ellsworth, NE 69340, phone (308) 762-4893, email address — mark\_koepsel@fws.gov

**Project Leader:** Mark A. Koepsel

Crescent Lake National Wildlife Refuge is a 46,000-acre block of Sandhills rangeland north of Oshkosh in Garden County. It is managed for the preservation of migratory and breeding birds and other wildlife. The refuge is open to limited hunting and fishing.

North Platte National Wildlife Refuge, established by executive order in 1916, was set aside as a “preserve and breeding ground for native birds.” The 2,722-acre refuge, located in northern Scotts Bluff County, is managed as a resting and feeding area for waterfowl and shorebirds. Other important uses include providing nesting habitat for bald eagles and waterfowl and offering wildlife-oriented recreational uses compatible with the management of refuge wildlife.

**Fort Niobrara-Valentine National Wildlife Refuge Complex:** HC 14, Box 67, Valentine, NE 69201, phone (402) 376-3789, email address — r6rw\_ftn@mail.fws.gov, website — www.fortniobrara.fws.gov

**Refuge Manager:** Steve Hicks

The 19,131-acre Fort Niobrara National Wildlife Refuge is four miles east of Valentine. Buffalo, elk, deer and prairie dogs can be seen along the wildlife drive throughout the year. A visitor center explaining the history and ecology of the area is open from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. every day during the summer and weekdays during the rest of the year. Hiking trails lead to Fort Falls and into the Fort Niobrara Wilderness Area. Canoeing down the refuge through the scenic Niobrara River Canyon is a popular activity.

The 71,272-acre Valentine National Wildlife Refuge is 13 miles south of Valentine. The Hackberry Headquarters on the refuge is along State Spur 16B. Birdwatching, wildlife observation and photography are encouraged. In the spring, observation blinds are provided for viewing prairie chickens and sharp-tailed grouse courtship displays. Fishing and upland game, deer and waterfowl hunting are provided.

**DeSoto National Wildlife Refuge:** 1434 316th Lane, Missouri Valley, IA 51555,

phone (712) 642-4121, fax (712) 642-2877, email address — [desoto@fws.gov](mailto:desoto@fws.gov), website — [www.fws.gov/midwest/desoto/](http://www.fws.gov/midwest/desoto/)

**Refuge Manager:** Tom Cox

DeSoto National Wildlife Refuge, established in 1958, is 25 miles north of Omaha. Fifty-four percent of the 8,362-acre refuge lies in Nebraska and 46 percent lies in Iowa in the Missouri River Valley. Refuge objectives are to protect and enhance habitat for endangered species; provide food, water and cover for migrating waterfowl; provide habitat for other migrating and resident wildlife; protect, preserve and display the salvaged 1860s steamboat *Bertrand* cargo; provide interpretation and environmental educational opportunities; and provide wildlife-oriented recreation. The 788-acre, seven-mile long DeSoto Lake, a former oxbow of the Missouri River, provides opportunities for fishing and wildlife and waterfowl observation.

**Boyer Chute National Wildlife Refuge:** 3720 Rivers Way, Fort Calhoun, NE 68023, phone (402) 468-4313 or (712) 642-4121 (DeSoto NWR), email address — [boyerchute@fws.gov](mailto:boyerchute@fws.gov), website — [www.fws.gov/midwest/boyerchute/](http://www.fws.gov/midwest/boyerchute/)

**Refuge Manager:** Tom Cox

Boyer Chute National Wildlife Refuge is a 4,039-acre wildlife area converted from agriculture. It is along the Missouri River, three miles east of Fort Calhoun and 15 miles north of Omaha. The project restored a portion of the Missouri River habitat that flows through a 2.5-mile-long channel paralleling the main flow of the river. The refuge may be expanded up to 10,000 acres as part of the federally sponsored “Back to the River” project. The refuge is open during daylight hours and offers fishing, hunting, nature trails and wildlife observation. The refuge opened in 1996 and is a sister refuge to the DeSoto National Wildlife Refuge. Development is being carried out in partnership with the Papio-Missouri Natural Resources District and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

**Karl E. Mundt National Wildlife Refuge:** c/o Lake Andes National Wildlife Refuge, 38672 291st Street., Lake Andes, SD 57356, phone (605) 487-7603, fax (605) 487-7604, email address — [r6rw\\_lan@fws.gov](mailto:r6rw_lan@fws.gov)

**Project Leader:** Michael J. Bryant

Karl E. Mundt National Wildlife Refuge is in Boyd County and in Gregory County, S.D., along the Missouri River. The refuge was established for wintering bald eagles; however, nesting bald eagles recently have begun using the refuge. The refuge contains 780 acres of river bottomland, 20 acres of which lie in Nebraska. An additional 300 acres of woodlands in South Dakota are protected by perpetual easement. Along with the bald eagle, a variety of resident and migratory species use the refuge. It is closed to the public because of the potential for disturbance to the bald eagles. However, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has a viewing area on its property below Fort Randall Dam.

**Rainwater Basin Wetland Management District Office:** 2610 Ave. Q, P.O. Box 1686, Kearney, NE 68848, phone (308) 236-5015, fax (308) 237-3899, email address — [rainwater@fws.gov](mailto:rainwater@fws.gov), website — [www.fws.gov/rainwater](http://www.fws.gov/rainwater)

**Project Leader:** Gene Mack

The Rainwater Basin Wetland Management District is a field office with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. The office manages 24,210 acres in 61 locations in 14 counties

in south-central Nebraska. Lands are primarily wetlands and adjacent upland areas that have been restored to tall-grass prairie. The areas are managed to provide habitat for migratory birds, endangered species and resident wildlife. The areas are open to public use for wildlife observation, hunting and trapping, environmental education and hiking. Two hiking trails, four visitor contact stations and two blinds are available for wildlife observation. The office also provides help to private landowners who wish to manage wetlands on their own lands through the Partners for Wildlife Program.

### *U.S. Geological Survey*

**USGS Nebraska Water Science Center:** 5231 S. 19th St., Lincoln, NE 68512-1271, phone (402) 328-4100, website — <http://ne.water.usgs.gov>

**Director:** Robert B. Swanson

**USGS Nebraska Water Science Center Offices:** 5231 S. 19th St., Lincoln, NE 68512-1271, phone (402) 328-4100; 1608 N. 28th St., Ord, NE 68862, phone (308) 728-5601; 244 Federal Building, 300 E. Third St., North Platte, NE 69101, phone (308) 532-5323

The United States Geological Survey (USGS) collects, compiles and disseminates data on water, energy, biological and geological resources in Nebraska as well as geography and geospatial information. The USGS gathers, interprets and presents data that enable resource planners and others to make decisions based on objective research. As the nation's leading earth science agency, the USGS works with federal, state and local agencies to address issues related to Nebraska's earth resources. The USGS provides reports, maps and information to help others manage, develop and protect America's water, energy, mineral, biological and land resources. It publishes the results of its investigations in thousands of new reports and maps each year.

The USGS Nebraska Water Science Center (NEWSC) is one of the state-level Water Science Centers in the Water Resources Discipline and is dedicated to hydrologic data collection, scientific research, applied science and information dissemination. The district office helps USGS conduct nationwide assessments of the quality, quantity and use of the nation's water resources. The other USGS Disciplines are Biological Resources, Geology, Geography, and Geospatial Information Disciplines. The director of the NEWSC serves as the USGS state representative because the other four disciplines do not have offices in Nebraska.

### *Bureau of Indian Affairs<sup>14</sup>*

**Winnebago Agency:** Winnebago, NE 68071, phone (402) 878-2502, website — [www.doi.gov/bureau-indian-affairs.html](http://www.doi.gov/bureau-indian-affairs.html)

**Acting Superintendent:** Ernest F. Pourier

**Santee Field Office:** 425 Frazier Ave., Suite 2, Niobrara, NE 68760, phone (402) 857-2332

The principal objectives of the Bureau of Indian Affairs are to:

- encourage and assist American Indian and Alaska Native people to manage their

<sup>14</sup>For more information on tribal government in Nebraska, see Pages 57 and 669-671.

own affairs under the trust relationship to the federal government

- facilitate, with maximum involvement of American Indian and Alaska Native people, full development of their human and natural resource potential
- mobilize all public and private aids to the advancement of American Indian and Alaska Native people for use by them
- promote self-determination by using the skills of American Indian and Alaska Native people in the direction and management of programs for their benefit

The bureau works with American Indian and Alaska Native people, tribal governments, American Indian organizations, other federal agencies, state and local governments, and other interested groups.

Nebraska, pursuant to Public Law 280, assumed civil and criminal jurisdiction over Nebraska reservations in 1953. In 1969, the U.S. government granted the Omaha Tribe retrocession on criminal jurisdiction. In 1986, the assistant U.S. secretary for Indian affairs accepted retrocession to the United States of all criminal jurisdiction exercised by the state over the Winnebago Reservation. The 1986 Nebraska Legislature offered the retrocession. By Tribal Resolution No. 86-37, the Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska acknowledged and endorsed the offer of the state to retrocede criminal jurisdiction to the United States.

The Omaha Tribe of Nebraska contracts with the Bureau of Indian Affairs to provide judicial and law enforcement services, as provided by the Indian Self-Determination Act. The Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska contracts judicial services and some of the law enforcement communication services. Winnebago Reservation police officers serving the Winnebago Reservation are federal employees.

In 2000, by Resolution 2001-12, the Santee Sioux Nation requested that Nebraska retrocede civil and criminal jurisdiction to the United States. The retrocession offered by the Nebraska Legislature was accepted in 2001.

The Omaha, Santee Sioux and Winnebago tribes of Nebraska have total jurisdiction over minor children who qualify as eligible descendants of their tribes, as provided by the Indian Child Welfare Act of 1978. The 1985 Legislature passed the Nebraska Indian Child Welfare Act to aid Nebraska's Indian children.

The Winnebago Agency administers services to the Winnebago and Omaha tribes in Thurston County and the Santee Sioux Tribe in Knox County. All three tribes operate under tribal constitutions enacted under the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934. There are 13,400 enrolled members of these three tribes.

### *Bureau of Land Management*

**Wild Horse and Burro Center:** 5050 100th Road, P.O. Box 160, Elm Creek, NE 68836, phone (308) 856-4498

**Facility Manager:** Joseph A. Stratton

The Bureau of Land Management is responsible for managing about 270 million acres of public lands. These lands are primarily in the West and Alaska; however, small scattered parcels are in other states. In addition to mineral management responsibilities on the public lands, BLM also is responsible for subsurface resource management of an additional 300 million acres where mineral rights are owned by the federal government.

Resources managed by the bureau include timber, solid minerals, oil and gas, geothermal energy, wildlife habitat, endangered plant and animal species, rangeland vegetation, recreation and cultural values, wild and scenic rivers, designated conservation and wilderness areas and open space. Bureau programs provide for the protection (including fire suppression), orderly development and use of the public lands and resources under principles of multiple use and sustained yield. The bureau also manages watersheds to protect soil and enhance water quality; develops recreational opportunities on public lands; administers programs to protect and manage wild horses and burros; and, under certain conditions, makes land available for sale to individuals, organizations, local governments and other federal agencies when such transfer is in the public interest.

The bureau oversees the development of energy and mineral leases and ensures compliance with applicable regulations governing the extraction of these resources. It has responsibility to issue rights-of-way, leases and permits. The bureau also is responsible for the survey of federal lands and establishes and maintains public land records and records of mining claims.

Five employees are responsible for the care and well-being of animals at the Wild Horse and Burro Center at Elm Creek. The facility is a resting point for up to 5,000 wild horses and burros throughout the year on their way to adopters' homes throughout the country. Several hundred animals are adopted per year through the efforts of local volunteers and facility staff.

### *National Park Service*

**Midwest Regional Office:** 601 Riverfront Drive, Omaha, NE 68102-4226, phone (402) 661-1736

**Acting Regional Director:** Patty Trap

**Midwest Archeological Center:** 100 Centennial Mall North, Federal Building, Room 474, Lincoln, NE 68508-3873, phone (402) 437-5392, website — [www.cr.nps.gov/mwac](http://www.cr.nps.gov/mwac)

**Manager:** Mark Lynott

**Agate Fossil Beds National Monument:** Harrison, NE 69346-2743, phone (308) 668-2211, website — [www.nps.gov/agfo](http://www.nps.gov/agfo)

**Superintendent:** James Hill

**Homestead National Monument of America:** 8523 W. State Highway 4, Beatrice, NE 68310-6743, phone (402) 223-3514, website — [www.nps.gov/home](http://www.nps.gov/home)

**Superintendent:** Mark Engler

**Missouri National Recreational River:** P.O. Box 666, Yankton, SD 57078, phone (605) 214-3389, website — [www.nps.gov/mnrr](http://www.nps.gov/mnrr)

**Superintendent:** Vacant

**Niobrara National Scenic River:** P.O. Box 391, Valentine, NE 68201, phone (402) 376-1901, website — [www.nps.gov/niob](http://www.nps.gov/niob)

**Superintendent:** Dan Foster

**Scotts Bluff National Monument:** P.O. Box 27, Gering, NE 69341-0027, phone (308) 436-4340, website — [www.nps.gov/scbl](http://www.nps.gov/scbl)

**Superintendent:** Ken Mabery

**Chimney Rock National Historic Site:** (Affiliated Area), Chimney Rock Road, P.O. Box F, Bayard, NE 69334-0680, phone (308) 586-2581; Nebraska State Historical Society, 1500 R St., Lincoln, NE 68508, phone (402) 471-3270, website — [www.nps.gov/chro](http://www.nps.gov/chro)

The National Park Service is dedicated to conserving the natural and cultural resources and values of the National Park System for the enjoyment, education and inspiration of this and future generations. There are 392 units in the National Park System, including national parks and monuments; scenic parkways, preserves, trails, riverways, seashores, lakeshores and recreation areas; and historic sites associated with important movements, events and personalities of the nation's past.

The Midwest Regional Office in Omaha administers a 13-state area that includes Arkansas, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, South Dakota and Wisconsin. The National Park Service also has a Midwest Archeological Center in Lincoln, which handles archeological work for the Midwest and Intermountain regions.

In Nebraska, three national monuments, two wild and scenic rivers, and a national historic site are under the Omaha office's jurisdiction.<sup>15</sup> Scotts Bluff National Monument in Scotts Bluff County has 300 square acres. Homestead National Monument of America in Gage County has more than 200 acres. Agate Fossil Beds National Monument in Sioux County has about 3,055 acres. The Niobrara National Scenic River in Brown, Cherry, Keya Paha and Rock counties is 76 miles long and has 23,074 acres. The Missouri National Recreational River is a two-segment unit comprising 126 miles of the Missouri River and its tributaries and 34,149 acres. The 83-acre Chimney Rock National Historic Site in Morrill County is administered by the Nebraska State Historical Society, the city of Bayard and the National Park Service under a cooperative agreement.

### *Bureau of Reclamation*

**Nebraska-Kansas Area Office:** P.O. Box 1607, Grand Island, NE 68802, phone (308) 389-4622

**Area Manager:** Aaron Thompson

**Wyoming Area Office:** 705 Pendell Blvd., Box 1630, Mills, WY 82644-1630, phone (307) 261-5671

**Area Manager:** John H. Lawson

**McCook Field Office:** RR 1, 1706 W. Third St., McCook, NE 69001, phone (308) 345-4400

**McCook Office Manager:** Marvin R. Swanda

The mission of the Bureau of Reclamation is to manage, develop and protect water and related resources in an environmentally and economically sound manner in the interest of the American public.

The reclamation program has helped to settle and develop the West through the development of a water storage and delivery infrastructure. This infrastructure provides water supplies and hydroelectric power for agricultural, municipal and industrial users;

<sup>15</sup> For more about the areas in Nebraska administered by the National Park Service, see Page 44.

protects and improves water quality; provides recreational and fish and wildlife benefits; enhances river regulations; and helps control floods. With this infrastructure largely in place, the reclamation program is focusing greater emphasis on resource management and protection than on development. The Bureau of Reclamation:

- works in partnership with others to develop water conservation plans, provide for the efficient and effective use of water and related resources and improve the management of existing water resources
- designs and constructs authorized water resource projects
- develops and supports recreational uses at reclamation projects
- conducts research and encourages technology transfer to improve resource management, development and protection
- ensures that the lands it manages are free from hazardous and toxic waste and helps other federal and state agencies in protecting surface water and groundwater from hazardous waste contamination
- operates and maintains its facilities to ensure reliability, safety and economic operation to protect the public, property and the nation's investment in the facilities, and to preserve environmental resources
- provides engineering and technical support to federal and state agencies, American Indian tribes, and other nations to accomplish national, regional and international resource management, development and protection objectives

Reclamation project facilities in operation include 348 storage reservoirs, thousands of miles of canals and water conveyances and distribution facilities and 58 hydroelectric power plants.

All of the bureau's geographic area in the 17 western states is included under area offices that have first-level program line authority. The Wyoming Area Office has first line authority for the geographic area that extends from Wyoming into western Nebraska to the confluence of the North Platte and South Platte rivers, forming the Platte River. The Nebraska-Kansas Area Office in Grand Island has first line authority for the remainder of Nebraska.

The NKAO manages four units of the Pick-Sloan Missouri Basin Program and one additional project in Nebraska. The Pick-Sloan units are Ainsworth, Frenchman-Cambridge and Bostwick. The other NKAO-managed project is the Mirage Flats Unit in northwest Nebraska.

Major reclamation facilities in Nebraska include: Trenton Dam and Swanson Lake near Trenton; Enders Dam and Reservoir near Imperial; Red Willow Dam and Hugh Butler Lake near McCook; Medicine Creek Dam and Harry Strunk Lake near Cambridge; Harlan County Dam and Lake (maintained by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers) near Alma; Box Butte Dam and Reservoir south of Chadron; Merritt Dam and Reservoir near Valentine; Virginia Smith Dam and Calamus Reservoir near Burwell; Davis Creek Dam and Reservoir near Scotia; and Lake Alice and Lake Minatare near Scottsbluff.

The Nebraska projects provide water for farmland, as well as for flood control, recreation, and fish and wildlife purposes. Reservoirs in Nebraska provide 25,000 acres of water surface at normal pool and 40,000 acres of adjacent land for public use. The reservoir recreation areas are managed by the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission.

The Pick-Sloan projects in Nebraska and Kansas were constructed for flood control in the Republican and Solomon River basins. During the 1993 flooding in the Midwest, flood control operations at these dams prevented downstream damages of \$1.2 billion by storing more than 800,000 acre-feet of flood waters. Flood control operations of these facilities are directed by the Army Corps of Engineers.

## Department of Justice

As the largest law firm in the nation, the Department of Justice serves as counsel for its citizens. Through its thousands of lawyers, investigators and agents, the department plays the key role in protection against criminals and subversion, in ensuring healthy competition of business, in safeguarding the consumer, and in enforcing drug, immigration and naturalization laws. The department also plays a role in protecting citizens through efforts for law enforcement, crime prevention, crime detection, and prosecution and rehabilitation of offenders.

The department conducts all suits in the Supreme Court in which the United States is concerned. It represents the U.S. government in legal matters generally, rendering legal advice and opinions, upon request, to the president and to the heads of the executive departments. The U.S. attorney general supervises and directs these activities, as well as those of the U.S. attorneys and U.S. marshals in the various judicial districts around the country.

### *U.S. Attorney*

**U.S. Attorney — District of Nebraska Offices:** 1620 Dodge St., Suite 1400, Omaha, NE 68102-1506, phone (402) 661-3700; 487 Denney Federal Building, 100 Centennial Mall North, Lincoln, NE 68508, phone (402) 437-5241; 236 Federal Building, 300 E. Third St., North Platte, NE 69101, phone (308) 532-3514

**Nebraska U.S. Attorney:** Deborah R. Gilg

U.S. attorneys serve as the nation's principal litigators under the direction of the attorney general. There are 93 U.S. attorneys appointed by the president with advice and consent of the Senate. One U.S. attorney is assigned to each judicial district, with the exception of Guam and the Northern Mariana Islands, where a single U.S. attorney serves in both districts. Each U.S. attorney is the chief federal law enforcement officer within his or her jurisdiction. Nebraska constitutes a single judicial district.

U.S. attorneys have three statutory responsibilities:

- the prosecution of criminal cases brought by the federal government
- the prosecution and defense of civil cases in which the United States is a party
- the collection of debts owed the federal government that are administratively uncollectible

## Nebraska U.S. Attorney, 2015

**DEBORAH R. GILG**

**Office:** 1620 Dodge St., Suite 1400, Omaha, NE 68102-1506, phone (402) 661-3700

**Appointed Nebraska U.S. Attorney:** October, 2009

## Nebraska U.S. Attorneys, 1854-2015

### *Territorial*

Experience Estabrook.....1854-1859	Robert A. Howard.....1860-1861
Leavitt L. Bowen.....1859-1860	David L. Collier.....1861-1864

### *State (District)*

Daniel Gantt.....1864-1876	Donald R. Ross.....1954-1956
James Neville.....1876-1878	Henry W. Shackelford.....1956
Gerrio M. Sambertson.....1878-1887	William C. Spire.....1956-1961
George E. Prichett.....1887-1890	Theodore L. Richling.....1961-1969
Benjamin S. Baker.....1890-1894	Richard A. Dier.....1969-1972
Andrew Jackson Sawyer.....1894-1898	William K. Schaphorst.....1972-1975
Williamson S. Summers.....1898-1904	Daniel E. Wherry.....1975-1977
Irving F. Baxter.....1904-1905	Edward G. Warin.....1977-1981
Charles A. Goss.....1905-1910	Thomas D. Thalken.....1981 <sup>1</sup>
Francis Howell.....1910-1915	Ronald D. Lahners.....1981-1993
Thomas S. Allen.....1915-1921	Thomas J. Monaghan.....1993-2001
James C. Kinsler.....1921-1930	Michael G. Heavican.....2001-2006
Charles E. Sandall.....1930-1935	Joe W. Stecher.....2006-2009
Joseph T. Votava.....1935-1954	Deborah R. Gilg.....2009-

### *Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives*<sup>16</sup>

The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives enforces federal criminal laws regarding alcohol, tobacco products, firearms, explosives and arson, as well as regulates the firearms and explosives industries. The primary objectives of ATF are to reduce firearms violence and regulate the firearms and explosives industries in order to prevent terrorist acts. This agency recently moved from the Department of the Treasury to the Department of Justice.

### **Office of Criminal Enforcement**

**Omaha Office:** 2707 N. 108th St., Suite 202, Omaha, NE 68164, phone (402) 952-2605, fax (402) 952-2606, website — [www.atf.gov](http://www.atf.gov)

**Resident Agent in Charge:** Mickey Leadingham

The Office of Criminal Enforcement, in partnership with other federal, state and local law enforcement agencies, works to:

- suppress illegal trafficking, possession and use of firearms, destructive devices and explosives
- investigate acts of arson
- investigate narcotics traffickers who use firearms and explosives as tools of their trade, especially violent gangs
- suppress interstate trafficking of illicit distilled spirits and contraband cigarettes

### **Office of Industry Operations**

**Omaha Office:** 2707 N. 108th St., Suite 202, Omaha, NE 68164, phone (402) 952-2635, fax (402) 952-2606

<sup>16</sup>Formerly part of the Department of the Treasury.

**Area Supervisor:** Cannon Kinchelow

The Office of Industry Operations duties are to:

- assist other federal, state and local government agencies in the resolution of problems relating to revenue protection
- ensure that persons prohibited by law from manufacturing, importing or dealing in firearms and explosives do not obtain a license or permit
- ensure that storage facilities for explosives are safe and secure and do not present a hazard to the public
- inspect explosive storage facilities to ensure they are safe and do not present a hazard to the public
- ensure that an audit trail is preserved to permit the tracing of firearms used to commit crimes and to provide for accountability for explosive materials

### *Drug Enforcement Administration*

**Omaha District Office:** 2707 N. 108th St., Suite D201, Omaha, NE 68164, phone (402) 965-3600

**Assistant Special Agent in Charge:** L.D. Mathews

The Drug Enforcement Administration is the lead federal agency in enforcing U.S. narcotics and controlled substance laws and regulations.

The administration operates on a worldwide basis. It presents cases to the criminal and civil justice systems of the United States — or any other competent jurisdiction — on those significant organizations and their members involved in cultivation, production, smuggling, distribution or diversion of controlled substances appearing in or destined for illegal traffic in the United States. DEA immobilizes these organizations by arresting their members, confiscating their drugs and seizing their assets. The agency also creates and supports enforcement-related programs — domestically and internationally — aimed at reducing the availability of and demand for controlled substances.

The administration's responsibilities include:

- investigation of major narcotic violators who operate at interstate and international levels
- seizure and forfeiture of assets derived from, traceable to or intended to be used for illicit drug trafficking
- enforcement of regulations governing the legal manufacture, distribution and dispensing of controlled substances
- management of a national narcotics intelligence system
- coordination with federal, state and local law enforcement authorities and cooperation with counterpart agencies abroad
- training, scientific research and information exchange in support of drug traffic prevention and control

### *Federal Bureau of Investigation*

**Omaha Field Office:** 4411 S. 121st Court, Omaha, NE 68137-2112, phone (402) 493-8688, email address — [omaha@fbi.gov](mailto:omaha@fbi.gov)

**Special Agent in Charge:** Thomas R. Metz

**Lincoln Office:** Suite 363, 100 Centennial Mall North, Lincoln, NE 68508, phone (402) 476-6393

**Grand Island Office:** 201 Federal Office Building, 203 W. Second St., Grand Island, NE 68802, phone (308) 382-3690

**North Platte Office:** 324 Post Office Building, 300 E. Third St., North Platte, NE 69101, phone (308) 532-5116

The Federal Bureau of Investigation is the principal investigative arm of the Department of Justice. It is charged with gathering and reporting facts, locating witnesses, and compiling evidence in cases involving federal jurisdiction.

The FBI is charged with investigating all violations of federal law except those that have been assigned by legislative enactment or otherwise to another federal agency. It has jurisdiction over violations of more than 200 categories of federal law, grouped within three national security priorities and five criminal priorities.

### *U.S. Marshals Service*

**District of Nebraska Omaha Office:** Roman L. Hruska U.S. Courthouse, 111 S. 18th Plaza, Suite B06, Omaha, NE 68102-4970, phone (402) 221-4781

**District of Nebraska Lincoln Office:** 552 Denney Federal Building, 100 Centennial Mall North, Lincoln, NE 68508, phone (402) 742-7021

**District of Nebraska North Platte Office:** 349 Federal Building, 300 E. Third St., North Platte, NE 69101, phone (308) 532-7558

**Nebraska U.S. Marshal:** Mark A. Martinez

Each federal judicial district is served by a U.S. marshal appointed by the president. Nebraska constitutes a single judicial district.<sup>17</sup> Besides the Omaha and Lincoln offices, a part-time office operates in North Platte.

The U.S. Marshals Service is the nation's oldest federal law enforcement agency. The service is responsible for:

- providing support and protection for the federal courts, including security for judicial facilities, judges, magistrates, jurors and attorneys
- apprehending federal fugitives
- operating the Federal Witness Security program and ensuring the safety of endangered government witnesses
- maintaining custody of and transporting federal prisoners
- executing court orders and arrest warrants
- seizing, managing and selling property forfeited to the government by drug traffickers and other criminals, and assisting the Justice Department's asset forfeiture program
- responding to emergency circumstances, including civil disturbances, terrorist incidents, and other crisis situations, through its Special Operations Group, and restoring order in riot and mob-violence situations
- operating the U.S. Marshals Service Training Academy
- providing security and law enforcement assistance to the U.S. Air Force in the movement of missiles

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<sup>17</sup> For more information about the U.S. District Court, District of Nebraska, see Pages 187-191.

The U.S. trustee does not have a significant role in proceedings under chapter 9, which relates to the adjustment of debts of a municipality.

The Omaha office serves all of Nebraska and is in the U.S. Trustee Program's Region 13, which is made up of Nebraska, Arkansas and Missouri.

## Nebraska U.S. Marshals, 1854-2015

### *Territorial*

Mark W. Izard .....	1854-1855	William E. Moore.....	1860-1861
Eli R. Doyle.....	1855-1856	Phineas W. Hitchcock.....	1861-1865
B.P. Rankin .....	1856-1858	Caspar E. Yost.....	1865-1867
William A. West.....	1858-1860		

### *State (District)*

Casper E. Yost.....	1867-1869	Frank Golden.....	1948-1954
Joseph T. Hoile.....	1869-1872	William Raab .....	1954-1961
William Daily .....	1872-1880	Jack D. Obbink .....	1961-1964
Ellis L. Bierbower.....	1880-1889	D. Clive Short .....	1964-1969
Brad D. Slaughter .....	1889-1893	Lloyd H. Grimm.....	1969-1974
Frank E. White .....	1893-1897	Ronald C. Romans .....	1974-1980
George H. Thummel.....	1897-1899	Mack A. Backhaus.....	1980-1982
Trevanyon L. Matthews.....	1899-1905	Thomas A. O'Hara Jr. ....	1982-1994
William P. Warner.....	1905-1915	Cleveland Vaughn Jr. ....	1994-1995
Thomas J. Flynn .....	1915-1920	Willie Greason Jr.....	1995-1996 <sup>1</sup>
James C. Dahlman.....	1920-1921	Roger Arechiga.....	1996-1997 <sup>1</sup>
James B. Nickerson .....	1921	John Cleveland.....	1997-2002 <sup>1</sup>
Dennis H. Cronin.....	1921-1932	Brian M. Ennis.....	2002-2008
Valentine J. Peter .....	1932-1936	John Cleveland.....	2008-2009 <sup>1</sup>
John C. Byrnes.....	1936-1938	Karen A. Thomas .....	2009-2010 <sup>1</sup>
Earl L. Young.....	1938	Mark A. Martinez.....	2010-
George E. Proudfit.....	1938-1948		

<sup>1</sup>Appointed by attorney general to serve in an acting capacity

### *U.S. Trustee Program*

**District of Nebraska Office:** Roman L. Hruska U.S. Courthouse, 111 S. 18th Plaza, Suite 1148, Omaha, NE 68102, phone (402) 221-4300, fax (402) 221-4383

**Assistant U.S. Trustee:** Patricia Fahey

The U.S. Trustee Program acts in the public interest to promote the efficiency and to protect and preserve the integrity of the bankruptcy system. It works to secure the just, speedy and economical resolution of bankruptcy cases; monitors the conduct of parties, takes action to ensure compliance with applicable laws and procedures and identifies and investigates bankruptcy fraud and abuse; and oversees administrative functions in bankruptcy cases.

The U.S. trustees supervise the administration of four of the five types of bankruptcy proceedings defined under the Bankruptcy Code. These are:

- proceedings under chapter 7 in which the assets of the debtor are liquidated
- reorganization proceedings under chapter 11 for rehabilitation of the business debtor
- adjustments of debts of a regular-income family farmer under chapter 12
- adjustment of debts of an individual with regular income under chapter 13, pursuant to which an individual can discharge debts by arranging for payments over a period of time

## **Department of Labor**

The Department of Labor works to foster, promote and develop the welfare of U.S. wage earners, to improve their working conditions, and to advance their opportunities for profitable employment. The agency administers federal labor laws guaranteeing workers' rights to safe and healthful working conditions, a minimum hourly wage and overtime pay, freedom from employment discrimination, unemployment insurance and workers' compensation. The department also protects workers' pension rights; provides for job training programs; helps workers find jobs; works to strengthen free collective bargaining; and keeps track of changes in employment, prices and other national economic measurements. As the department seeks to assist all U.S. citizens who need and want to work, special efforts are made to meet the unique job market problems of older workers, youths, minority group members, women, the handicapped and other groups.

### *Employment Standards Administration*

The Employment Standards Administration is responsible for administering and directing employment standards programs dealing with minimum wage and overtime standards; registration of farm labor contractors; determining prevailing wage rates to be paid on government contracts and subcontracts; nondiscrimination and affirmative action for minorities, women, veterans and handicapped government contract and subcontract workers; workers' compensation programs for federal and certain private employers and employees; safeguarding the financial integrity and internal democracy of labor unions; and administering statutory programs to certify employee protection provisions for various federally sponsored transportation programs.

### **Office of Federal Contract Compliance Program**

**Omaha District Office:** Central Park Plaza, 222 S. 15th St., Suite 504B, Omaha, NE 68102, phone (402) 221-3381, website — [www.dol.gov](http://www.dol.gov)

**District Director:** Bruce Timberlake

The Office of Federal Contract Compliance Program ensures that companies that do business with the government promote affirmative action and equal employment opportunity on behalf of minorities, women, the disabled and Vietnam veterans.

### **Wage and Hour Division**

**Omaha District Area Office:** Roman L. Hruska U.S. Courthouse, 111 S. 18th Plaza, Suite 2238, Omaha, NE 68102-1321, phone (402) 221-4682

**Assistant District Director:** Richard J. Tesarek

The Wage and Hour Division is responsible for planning and administering a variety of federal labor programs. These programs are designed to:

- protect low-wage incomes as provided by the minimum wage provisions of the Fair Labor Standards Act
- discourage excessively long hours of work through enforcement of the overtime provisions of the Fair Labor Standards Act
- safeguard the health and well-being of minors
- prevent curtailment of employment and earnings for students, trainees and handicapped workers
- minimize losses of income and job rights caused by indebtedness
- direct a program of farm labor contractor registration designed to protect the health, safety and welfare of migrant and seasonal agriculture workers
- administer and enforce a number of immigration-related programs designed to safeguard the rights of U.S. and foreign workers and to prevent U.S. workers similarly employed from being adversely affected by employment of alien workers

The division also is responsible for predetermination of prevailing wage rates for federal construction contracts and federally assisted programs for construction, alteration and repair of public works subject to the Davis-Bacon Act and related acts, and a continuing program for determining wage rates under the Service Contract Act. The division also has enforcement responsibility in ensuring that prevailing wages and overtime standards are paid in accordance with federal law.

### *Employment and Training Administration*

The Employment and Training Administration fulfills responsibilities that relate to employment services, job training and unemployment insurance. Component offices and services of the administration manage a federal-state employment security system; fund and oversee programs to provide work experience and training for groups having difficulty entering or returning to the work force; formulate and promote apprenticeship standards and programs; and conduct continuing programs of research, development and evaluation.

### **Bureau of Apprenticeship and Training**

**Nebraska State Office:** Roman L. Hruska U.S. Courthouse, 111 S. 18th Plaza, Suite C49, Omaha, NE 68102-1322, phone (402) 221-3281, email address — [cremeens-risinger.d@dol.gov](mailto:cremeens-risinger.d@dol.gov), website — [www.workforce.state.ne.us/bat](http://www.workforce.state.ne.us/bat)

**Director:** Debra Cremeens-Risinger

The National Apprenticeship Act enables the Department of Labor to formulate and promote labor standards necessary to safeguard the welfare of apprentices, to cooperate with the states in the promotion of such standards, and to bring together employers and labor for the formulation of programs of apprenticeship.

Sponsors and potential sponsors are encouraged and helped in the development, expansion and improvement of apprenticeship and other forms of allied industrial training. Through field representatives in states, the Bureau of Apprenticeship and Training works closely with employers, labor unions, vocational schools, community planning groups and others concerned with apprenticeship.

### *Occupational Safety and Health Administration*

**Omaha Area Office:** Lake Regency Office Building, 444 Regency Parkway Drive, Suite 303, Omaha, NE 68114, phone (402) 553-0171, toll-free phone (800) 642-8963 (Nebraska only), website — [www.osha.gov](http://www.osha.gov)

**Area Director:** Bonita Winingham

The Occupational Safety and Health Administration develops and promulgates occupational safety and health standards; develops and issues regulations; conducts investigations and inspections to determine the status of compliance with the standards and regulations; and issues citations and proposes penalties for noncompliance with the standards and regulations.

OSHA also provides outreach in the form of compliance assistance, technical assistance, training and educational materials, electronic products, and conferences and tools intended to support the safety and health efforts of employers and other stakeholders. Additional information may be found at [www.osha.gov](http://www.osha.gov).

### *Veterans' Employment and Training Service*

**Nebraska Office:** 550 S. 16th St., Lincoln, NE 68508, phone (402) 471-9833, website — [www.dol.gov/vets](http://www.dol.gov/vets)

**Director:** Cecilia Coatney

The Veterans' Employment and Training Service (VETS) manages the U.S. Department of Labor's veterans' employment and training program grants in Nebraska.

VETS provides assistance to military personnel and veterans who experience employment related problems due to their military obligations under the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act.

VETS works with and provides technical assistance to the Nebraska Workforce Development offices to ensure veterans are given priority service benefits. VETS also administers the Veterans' Workforce Investment Plan grant program, which is designed to meet the employment and training needs of service-connected disabled veterans and veterans recently separated from military service.

## Department of Transportation

The Department of Transportation establishes the nation's overall transportation policy. The department has 10 administrations, and their jurisdictions include highway development and construction; urban mass transit; railroads; aviation; and the safety of waterways, ports, highways and oil and gas pipelines.

### *Federal Aviation Administration*

**Great Plains System Management Office**<sup>18</sup>: 14015 W. 95th St., Lenexa, KS 66215-5206, phone (913) 254-8840, website — [www.faa.gov](http://www.faa.gov)

**Manager:** Ken Birlingmair

**FAA/OMA System Support Center:** P.O. Box 19123, ATO, Omaha, NE 68119, phone (402) 271-7520

**Supervisor:** Carl Woods

**FAA/LNK System Support Center:** 3431 Aviation Road, Suite 130, Lincoln, NE 68524, phone (402) 474-1919

**Supervisor:** Mary E. Halsey

**FAA/GRI System Support Center:** 3776 N. Sky Park Road, Grand Island, NE 68801-9142, phone (308) 382-2524

**Supervisor:** Amy Newman

**FAA/LBF System Support Center:** RR 3, Box 292, North Platte, NE 69101, phone (308) 532-5590

**Supervisor:** Scott Brady

**Lincoln Flight Standards District Office:** 3431 Aviation Road, Suite 120, Lincoln, NE 68524, phone (402) 475-1738, website — [www.faa.gov/fsdo/lnk/](http://www.faa.gov/fsdo/lnk/)

**Manager:** Richard E. Johnson

**Lincoln Airport Traffic Control Tower:** 2600 W. Adams St., Lincoln, NE 68524, phone (402) 474-3011

**Manager:** Amy Francis

**Omaha Airport Traffic Control Tower:** Eppley Airfield, P.O. Box 19127, Omaha, NE 68119, phone (402) 346-6678

**Manager:** Perry Grell

**Terminal Radar Approach Control (TRACON):** 100 TRACON Hill, Bellevue, NE 68005-3953, phone (402) 682-4340

**Manager:** Mark Grant

The Federal Aviation Administration is charged with:

- regulating air commerce in ways that best promote its development and safety and fulfill the requirements of national defense
- controlling the use of navigable airspace of the United States and regulating civil and military operations in such airspace
- encouraging and developing civil aeronautics
- consolidating research and development with respect to air navigation facilities

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<sup>18</sup> Functions as the primary office for the FAA's Nebraska System Support Centers in Omaha, Bellevue, Lincoln, Grand Island and North Platte.

- installing and operating air navigation facilities
- developing and operating a common system of air traffic control and navigation for civil and military aircraft
- developing and implementing programs and regulations to control aircraft noise, sonic boom and other environmental effects of civil aviation
- regulating U.S. commercial space transportation

Nebraska airway facilities include system support centers in Omaha, Lincoln, Grand Island and North Platte. The Great Plains System Management Office in Lenexa, Kan., is the primary office for these centers.

Other manned airway facilities in Nebraska include the OFF Work Center in Bellevue and the QHO Long Range Radar Work Center in Omaha, which report to the Omaha System Support Center; the OLU Work Center in Columbus and the QJM Work Center in Rockville, which report to the Grand Island System Support Center; and the LBF Long Range Radar Work Center in Wellfleet and the BFF Work Center in Scottsbluff, which report to the North Platte System Support Center.

The system support centers and work centers perform maintenance of federal airway facilities and equipment.

The FAA's Flight Standards District Office in Lincoln certifies air carriers, air agencies and airmen; enforces federal aviation regulations; ensures the safety and maintenance of civil aircraft; investigates aircraft accidents; and conducts an airman education program.

Nebraska also has airport traffic control towers in Omaha and Lincoln, a contract airport traffic control tower in Grand Island and a Terminal Radar Approach Control facility at Offutt Air Force Base near Bellevue. These facilities transmit weather and flight information necessary for private, military and commercial aviation.

### *Federal Highway Administration*

**Nebraska Division Office:** 220 Denney Federal Building, 100 Centennial Mall North, Lincoln, NE 68508, phone (402) 742-8460, email address — Nebraska.fhwa@fhwa.dot.gov, website — www.fhwa.dot.gov/

**Division Administrator:** Joseph A. Werning

The Federal Highway Administration administers highway transportation programs. The administration coordinates highways with other modes of transportation to achieve a balance of transportation systems and facilities under cohesive transportation policies. Administration activities include:

- the federal-aid highway program, which provides financial assistance to the states for highway planning, construction and improvement, including maintenance of the National Highway System
- highway safety programs, including a state and community safety program jointly administered with the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration and a highway safety construction program to eliminate road hazards and improve rail-highway crossing safety
- review of state truck size and weight enforcement programs
- the federal lands highway program, affecting forest highways, public lands high-

ways, park roads and parkways, and American Indian reservation roads

- research, development and technology transfer activities
- efforts to find research and technology abroad that can be applied to the U.S.

highway system

### *Federal Railroad Administration*

**Omaha Office of Safety:** Council Bluffs Federal Building, 8 S. Sixth St., Room 246, Council Bluffs, IA 51501, phone (712) 325-4343, website — [www.fra.dot.gov](http://www.fra.dot.gov)

**Chief Inspector:** R.C. Edmondson

The purpose of the Federal Railroad Administration is to carry out and enforce rail safety regulations, administer railroad financial assistance programs, conduct research and development in support of improved railroad safety and national rail transportation policy, provide for the rehabilitation of Northeast Corridor rail passenger service and consolidate government support of rail transportation activities.

## Department of the Treasury

The Department of the Treasury formulates and recommends economic, financial, tax and fiscal policies; serves as financial agent for the U.S. government; enforces the law; and manufactures coins and currency.

### *Office of the Comptroller of the Currency*

**Nebraska Office of the Comptroller Offices:** 13710 FNB Parkway, Suite 110, Omaha, NE 68154, phone (402) 493-0654, fax (402) 493-0329; 1811 W. Second St., Suite 360, Grand Island, NE 68803, phone (308) 381-8126, website — [www.occ.treas.gov](http://www.occ.treas.gov)

**Assistant Deputy Comptroller:** Troy L. Thornton

The primary mission of the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency is to regulate national banks. The office has the power to examine banks; approve or deny applications for new bank charters, branches or mergers; take enforcement action — such as bank closures — against banks that are not in compliance with laws and regulations; and issue rules, regulations and interpretations on banking practices. The office supervises approximately 2,900 national banks, including their trust activities and overseas operations.

### *Internal Revenue Service*

**Senior Commissioner's Representative — Great Plains Area:** Gerald Krogman, 316 N. Robert St., St. Paul, MN 55101, phone (651) 312-7661

**Administrative Officer — Nebraska Territory:** Christopher Wiese, 7215 Ontario St., Omaha, NE 68124 (402) 361-0253

**Media Specialist:** 310 W. Wisconsin Ave., Milwaukee, WI 53203, phone (414) 297-1040

**Nebraska Governmental Liaison:** 5799 Broadmoor St., Mission, KS 66202-2403, phone (913) 789-1215

**Grand Island Office:** 3307 W. Capital Ave., Grand Island, NE 68803-1334

**Lincoln Office:** 160 Denney Federal Building, 100 Centennial Mall North, Lincoln, NE 68508-3877, taxpayer assistance available, phone (402) 437-5060

**Norfolk Office:** 208 N. Fifth St., Suite B, Norfolk, NE 68701-5220, phone (402) 371-1503

**North Platte Office:** Federal Building, 300 E. Third St., North Platte, NE 69103-0160, taxpayer assistance available, phone (308) 532-8810

**Omaha (Downtown) Office:** State Building, 1313 Farnam St., Omaha, NE 68102-1836, taxpayer assistance available, phone (402) 221-3614

**Omaha Office:** 7215 Ontario St., Omaha, NE 68124

**Scottsbluff Office:** 2001 Broadway, Suite 3, P.O. Box 766, Scottsbluff, NE 69363-0766, taxpayer assistance available, phone (308) 635-3435

**Appeals Office:** Roman L. Hruska U.S. Courthouse, 111 S. 18th Plaza, Suite 2217, Omaha, NE 68102-1321, phone (402) 221-3683

**Chief Counsel Office:** Roman L. Hruska U.S. Courthouse, 111 S. 18th Plaza, Suite 2201, Omaha, NE 68102-1321, phone (402) 221-7337

**Tax Assistance by Telephone:** toll-free phone for recorded federal tax information and automated refund information, (800) 829-4477; refund hotline, (800) 829-1954; toll-free phone for federal tax forms and publications, (800) 829-3676; individual tax help line (800) 829-1040; business/specialty tax help line (800) 829-4933; toll-free phone for federal tax assistance for hearing-impaired taxpayers, (800) 829-4059

**Tax Assistance by Computer:** website — [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov)

The Internal Revenue Service is the nation's tax collection agency and administers the Internal Revenue Code enacted by Congress. The IRS has four major operating divisions:

- Wage and Investment, which serves approximately 116 million taxpayers who file individual and joint tax returns
- Small Business and Self-Employed, which serves approximately 45 million small businesses and self-employed taxpayers
- Large and Mid-Size Business, which serves corporations with assets of more than \$10 million
- Tax-Exempt and Government Entities, which serves tax-exempt organizations such as nonprofit charities and government entities and businesses offering employee benefit plans

Other divisions include criminal investigation, appeals, chief counsel and communications and liaison.

The IRS Restructuring and Reform Act of 1998 expanded taxpayers' rights and established the Taxpayer Advocate Service as an independent voice inside the agency on the taxpayer's behalf. The service assists taxpayers with problems that have not been resolved through normal channels and taxpayers who have suffered or are about to suffer significant hardships. This toll-free service is available by calling 877-777-4778 or contacting the Local Taxpayer Advocate office at (402) 221-4181.

## Department of Veterans Affairs

The Department of Veterans Affairs operates benefit programs for veterans and their families. Benefits include compensation payments for disabilities or death related to military service; pensions; education and rehabilitation; home loan guaranty; burial; and a medical care program incorporating nursing homes, clinics and medical centers.

### *Veterans Benefits Administration*

**Nebraska Regional Office:** 3800 Village Drive, Lincoln, NE 68516, phone (402) 420-4021, toll-free phone (800) 827-1000, website — [www.vets.state.ne.us](http://www.vets.state.ne.us)

**Director:** Loren Miller

The Veterans Benefits Administration conducts an integrated program of veterans' benefits, including death and disability compensation and pension; special equipment, housing, and other items for disabled veterans; educational assistance; vocational rehabilitation; housing loan guaranty services; and life insurance. The administration provides information, advice and help to veterans, their dependents, beneficiaries, representatives and others applying for VA benefits. It also cooperates with other federal, state and local agencies in developing employment opportunities for veterans and referral for assistance in resolving socioeconomic, housing and other problems. VBA also provides information regarding veterans' benefits to branches of the armed forces. Programs are provided through VA regional offices, medical centers, visits to communities and a special toll-free telephone service, 800-827-1000.

### *National Cemetery Administration*

**Fort McPherson National Cemetery:** 12004 S. Spur 56A, Maxwell, NE 69151-1031, phone (308) 582-4433, toll-free number (888) 737-2800, fax (308) 582-4616, email address — [George.Bacon@va.gov](mailto:George.Bacon@va.gov), website — [www.cem.va.gov](http://www.cem.va.gov)

**Director:** George Bacon

The mission of the National Cemetery System is to:

- provide burial of eligible service members, veterans, reservists and National Guard members with 20 years' qualifying service, their spouses, and certain children, in VA national cemeteries, and maintain their graves
- mark, upon application, the graves of eligible veterans worldwide and reservists and National Guard members with 20 years' qualifying service who are buried in national, state or private cemeteries
- administer the State Cemetery Grants Program, which provides financial aid to states for establishing and improving state veterans' cemeteries
- provide Presidential Memorial Certificates to the loved ones of honorably discharged, deceased service members or veterans

There are 120 national cemeteries throughout the United States and Puerto Rico. Fort McPherson National Cemetery is Nebraska's only national cemetery. Established in 1873, the cemetery is the site of historical burials of cavalry and American Indians from the Indian Wars, as well as veterans from the Civil War, the Spanish-American War, World War I, World War II, the Korean War, the Vietnam War and the campaigns

in Afghanistan and Iraq . The cemetery has more than 9,000 burials and is the final resting place of four Medal of Honor recipients. The cemetery was listed on the National Register of Historic Places on May 5, 2012.

### *Veterans Health Administration*

The Veterans Health Administration provides hospital care, nursing home care, domiciliary care, and outpatient medical and dental care to eligible veterans of military service. The administration operates medical centers, domiciliaries, outpatient clinics, nursing home care units and Vietnam Veteran Outreach Centers.

**U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Central Plains Health Network Office (Veterans Integrated Service Network 23):** 600 S. 70th St., Lincoln, NE 68510, phone (402) 484-3200, website — [www.va.gov](http://www.va.gov)

**Acting Network Director:** Eileen Kingston

**VA Nebraska-Western Iowa Health Care System Director:** Al Washko

In 2002, the Department of Veterans Affairs merged two networks that provided healthcare services. The new Veterans Integrated Service Network 23 is stationed in Minneapolis with a satellite office located in Lincoln. VISN 23 serves Iowa, Minnesota, North Dakota and South Dakota, and portions of Illinois, Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska and Wyoming. The Lincoln Regional Office serves approximately 162,800 veterans in Nebraska.

The Nebraska panhandle, along with Colorado, Montana, Nevada, Utah and Wyoming, belongs to VISN 19.

The three VA facilities in Nebraska, located in Omaha, Lincoln and Grand Island, were integrated in November 1999 to become the VA Nebraska-Western Iowa Health Care System. Each of these facilities provides a unique array of healthcare services.

**Omaha Division:** 4101 Woolworth Ave., Omaha, NE 68105, phone (402) 346-8800

As an acute, highly affiliated, tertiary care facility, the Omaha division provides inpatient medical, surgical and psychiatric care in addition to its ambulatory care services. The Omaha VA is the home of a major clinical research program.

**Lincoln Division:** 600 S. 70th St., Lincoln , NE 68510, phone (402) 489-3802

The Lincoln VA is an outpatient, primary care facility.

**Grand Island Division:** 2201 N. Broadwell Ave., Grand Island, NE 68803, phone (308) 382-3660

The Grand Island VA focuses on ambulatory and extended care including geriatric and rehabilitation services.

**Community-Based Outpatient Facilities:** These facilities, located in Alliance, Bellevue, Holdrege, Grand Island, Gering, Lincoln, Norfolk, North Platte, Rushville and Sidney, provide closer access to primary care. VA Nebraska-Western Iowa Health Care System is researching additional sites for community-based outpatient care.

**Lincoln Vet Center — Outreach:** 920 L St., Lincoln, NE 68508, phone (402) 476-9736

**Team Leader:** Leroy Schoen

**Omaha Vet Center — Outreach:** 2428 Cuming St., Omaha, NE 68131-1600, phone (402) 346-6735

**Team Leader:** Norman A. McCormack

Vet Centers offer counseling and support groups; individual, marital and family therapy; employment education; assistance with VA benefits; screening and referral to inpatient care for alcohol or drug abuse and psychiatric care; and counseling for sexual trauma in the military. Veterans of the Vietnam era and conflict zone veterans of World War II, Korea, Lebanon, Grenada, Panama, the Persian Gulf and Somalia are eligible to use Vet Center services free of charge. Families of these veterans also are eligible.

## INDEPENDENT AGENCIES

### Corporation for National and Community Service

**Lincoln Office:** 274A Denney Federal Building, 100 Centennial Mall North, Lincoln, NE 68508, phone (402) 437-5474, fax (402) 437-5495, email address — [ne@cns.gov](mailto:ne@cns.gov), website — [www.nationalservice.gov](http://www.nationalservice.gov)

**State Director:** Julie Nash

The Corporation for National and Community Service engages more than 5 million Americans in community-based service that addresses the nation's educational, public safety, human and environmental needs. The corporation carries out its mission through three major programs: Senior Corps, AmeriCorps and the Social Innovation Fund.

As the nation's largest grantmaker for service and volunteering, CNCS plays a critical role in strengthening America's nonprofit sector and addressing our nation's challenges through service.

The Corporation provides federal funding for the Nebraska Volunteer Service Commission.

In Nebraska, the Corporation's state office is responsible for supporting the AmeriCorps\*VISTA (Volunteers in Service to America) and National Senior Service Corps programs in Nebraska. It operates in collaboration with the Nebraska Volunteer Service Commission.

### Environmental Protection Agency

**Nebraska Office:** 289 Denney Federal Building, 100 Centennial Mall North, Lincoln, NE 68508, phone (402) 437-5080, toll-free action line (Kansas City, Kan., office) (800) 223-0425

**Project Officer:** Dick Wiechman

The mission of the Environmental Protection Agency is to protect human health and to safeguard the natural environment — air, water and land — on which life depends. The agency's purpose is to ensure that federal laws protecting human health and the environment are enforced fairly and effectively.

The EPA office in Lincoln provides technical assistance and oversight to the Nebraska pesticide program. The Lincoln office also provides assistance to American Indian tribes in the state. The Nebraska Department of Agriculture enforces and imple-

ments the Nebraska Pesticide Act.<sup>19</sup> The EPA Region 7 office in Kansas City, Kan., is responsible for other EPA programs affecting Nebraska, including hazardous waste, air, water, radiation and toxic substance programs.

## Farm Credit Administration

The Farm Credit Administration is responsible for ensuring the safe and sound operation of the banks, associations, affiliated service organizations and other entities that collectively comprise the Farm Credit System, and for protecting the interests of the public and those who borrow from Farm Credit institutions or invest in Farm Credit securities.

The administration carries out its responsibilities by conducting examinations of the various Farm Credit lending institutions, which are Farm Credit Banks, the Bank for Cooperatives, the Agricultural Credit Bank, Federal Land Bank Associations, Production Credit Associations, Agricultural Credit Associations and Federal Land Credit Associations. It also examines the service organizations owned by the Farm Credit lending institutions, as well as the National Consumer Cooperative Bank and its subsidiaries.

The lending institutions of the Farm Credit System were established to provide credit and closely related services to farmers, ranchers and producers or harvesters of aquatic products; persons engaged in providing on-the-farm services; rural homeowners; and associations of farmers, ranchers and producers or harvesters of aquatic products. Initially capitalized by the U.S. government, the Farm Credit lending institutions are organized as cooperatives and are completely owned by their borrowers. The loan funds provided to borrowers by these institutions are obtained primarily through the sale of securities to investors in the nation's capital markets.

### *Farm Credit Services of America*

**Omaha Office:** 5015 S. 118th St., Omaha, NE 68137, toll-free phone (800) 884-3276, fax (402) 348-3324, website — [www.fcsamerica.com](http://www.fcsamerica.com)

**President:** Doug Stark

Farm Credit Services of America is a part of the Farm Credit System, a nationwide agricultural banking network that provides credit and affiliated services to farm and ranch operators across the United States.

Farm Credit Services of America is owned by its more than 73,000 stockholders/customers and is governed by a 17-member board of directors. The customer-owners of the association elect 14 directors and three directors are appointed by the board. The association operates on a cooperative basis. All Farm Credit Services of America customers own stock in the association.

Unlike commercial banks, Farm Credit institutions do not take deposits. Instead, money is raised by selling system-wide bonds on Wall Street. The proceeds are then channeled through Farm Credit banks and associations to agricultural producers and cooperatives. Because of the market acceptance of Farm Credit securities and the volume

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<sup>19</sup>For more information about the Nebraska pesticide program, see Page 453.

of funds raised, Farm Credit Services of America is able to offer competitive interest rates and unlimited amounts of capital to the agricultural sector.

Farm Credit Services of America has a network of 42 retail offices within Iowa, Nebraska, South Dakota and Wyoming, with its corporate headquarters located in Omaha.

## Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation

**Omaha Field Office:** 450 Regency Parkway, Suite 310, Omaha, NE 68114, phone (402) 397-0142, website — [www.fdic.gov](http://www.fdic.gov)

**Supervisor:** Brent Klanderud

The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation works to promote and preserve public confidence in U.S. financial institutions by:

- insuring bank and thrift deposits up to the legal limit
- periodically examining about 5,300 state-chartered banks that are not members of the Federal Reserve System for safety and soundness as well as compliance with consumer protection laws
- managing receiverships

## Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service

**Omaha Field Station:** 222 S. 15th St., Suite 382, Omaha, NE 68102, phone (402) 221-3555

**Mediator:** Lane Harstad

The Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service assists labor and management in resolving disputes in collective bargaining contract negotiation through voluntary mediation and arbitration services; provides training to unions and management in cooperative processes to improve long-term relationships under the Labor Management Cooperation Act of 1978; and may award competitive grants to joint labor-management committees to encourage innovative approaches to cooperative efforts.

## Federal Reserve System

**Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City, Omaha Branch:** 2201 Farnam St., Omaha, NE 68102, phone (402) 221-5500, toll-free phone (800) 333-1040, website — [www.kc.frb.org](http://www.kc.frb.org)

**Assistant Vice President and Branch Executive:** Nathan Kauffman

The Federal Reserve System, the central bank of the United States, is charged with administering and making policy for the nation's credit and monetary affairs. Through its supervisory and regulatory banking functions, the Federal Reserve ensures the banking industry remains in sound condition, capable of responding to the nation's domestic and international financial needs and objectives.

The system's major responsibility is executing monetary policy. It also performs other functions, such as transferring funds, handling government deposits and debt issues, supervising and regulating banks, and acting as lender of last resort.

The system consists of seven parts: the Board of Governors in Washington, D.C.;

the 12 Federal Reserve Banks and their 25 branches and other facilities throughout the country; the Federal Open Market Committee; the Federal Advisory Council; the Consumer Advisory Council; the Thrift Institutions Advisory Council; and the nation's financial institutions, including commercial banks, savings and loan associations, mutual savings banks and credit unions. The Omaha Branch is part of the Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City.

## General Services Administration

The General Services Administration establishes policy for and provides management of government property and records, including construction and operation of buildings; procurement and distribution of supplies; utilization and disposal of real and personal property; transportation, traffic and communications management; and management of the government-wide automatic data processing resource program. Its functions are carried out at three levels of organization: the central office, regional offices and field activities.

### *Public Buildings Service*

**Nebraska Property Management Office:** Roman L. Hruska U.S. Courthouse, 111 S. 18th Plaza, Suite C31, Omaha, NE 68102-1321, phone (402) 221-4725, website — [www.gsa.gov](http://www.gsa.gov)

**Acting Director:** Mary A. Kosmicki, email address — [maryann.kosmicki@gsa.gov](mailto:maryann.kosmicki@gsa.gov)  
Roman L. Hruska U.S. Courthouse, 111 S. 18th Plaza, Suite C31, Omaha, NE 68102, phone (402) 221-4725

**Omaha Property Manager:** John Garner, email address — [john.garner@gsa.gov](mailto:john.garner@gsa.gov)  
Edward Zorinsky Federal Building, 1616 Capitol Avenue, Room 225, Omaha, NE 68102, phone (402) 221-4720

**Omaha Property Manager:** Justin Panasiuk, email address — [justin.panasiuk@gsa.gov](mailto:justin.panasiuk@gsa.gov)

**Lincoln Building Property Management Office:** Denney Federal Building, 100 Centennial Mall North, Room 156, Lincoln, NE 68508, phone (402) 437-5424

**Property Manager:** Gina Durr, email address — [gina.durr@gsa.gov](mailto:gina.durr@gsa.gov)

**North Platte Building Property Management Office:** Federal Building, 300 E. Third St., P.O. Box 1053, North Platte, NE 69103, phone (308) 532-8550

**Property Manager:** Andy Young, email address — [andy.young@gsa.gov](mailto:andy.young@gsa.gov)

**Grand Island Building Property Management Office:** Federal Building, 203 W. Second St., Grand Island, NE 68801, phone (308) 532-8550

**Property Manager:** Andy Young, email address — [andy.young@gsa.gov](mailto:andy.young@gsa.gov)

The Public Buildings Service provides space and related services for other federal agencies and the federal courts. Services include real estate brokerage, property management, construction and repairs, security services, property disposal and overall portfolio management. The service is responsible for more than 370 million square feet of federally owned and leased space and preserves more than 481 historic properties.

The Nebraska Property Management Center in Omaha manages federal property in

Nebraska and Council Bluffs, Iowa. The Lincoln and North Platte Building Property Management offices are under the jurisdiction of the Nebraska Property Management Center.

### *Federal Supply Service*

**Fleet Management Center:** Council Bluffs Federal Building, 8 S. Sixth St., Suite 309, Council Bluffs, IA 51501-4206, phone (712) 322-6152, website — [www.gsa.gov](http://www.gsa.gov)

**Manager:** Debra Wilson

The Federal Supply Service helps federal agencies acquire supplies, furniture, computers, tools and equipment. FSS also arranges for travel and transportation services, manages the federal vehicle fleet and helps federal agencies dispose of items they no longer need by transferring them to other government agencies or nonprofit organizations or by selling them to the public.

FSS operates an Interagency Fleet Management System that provides more than 170,000 vehicles and related services to federal agencies through a network of 72 fleet management centers. The Fleet Management Center in Council Bluffs, Iowa, serves Nebraska and western Iowa.

### *Federal Acquisition Service*

**Area Telecommunications Office:** Roman L. Hruska U.S. Courthouse, 111 S. 18th Plaza, Suite 38, Omaha, NE 68102, phone (402) 221-3332, website — [www.gsa.gov](http://www.gsa.gov)

**Area Managers:** Jason Klumb and Barbara Schmitt

The Federal Acquisition Service (FAS) provides federal agencies with telecommunications, information technology systems, hardware and software, consulting services, information security services and integrated technology solutions.

## **Nuclear Regulatory Commission**

**Regional State Liaison:** 612 E. Lamar Blvd., Suite 400, Arlington, TX 76011-4125, website — [www.nrc.gov](http://www.nrc.gov)

**Regional State Liaison Officer:** William A. Maier

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) regulates the use of nuclear materials in the United States to protect public health and safety, the environment, and defense and security. The NRC is not connected with nuclear weapons.

The NRC reviews and issues licenses for the construction and operation of commercial nuclear power plants, research reactors and other nuclear fuel facilities. It licenses the possession and use of nuclear materials for medical, industrial, educational and research purposes. Nebraska is one of 35 states that belongs to the Agreement States Program, under which the NRC gives states authority to license and regulate commercial nuclear materials. The NRC also licenses the import and export of nuclear facilities, equipment and materials.

The NRC conducts inspections and investigations to assure that nuclear plant activities are in compliance with the terms of the license and the agency's other regulations and requirements. The commission has approximately 3,950 employees and an annual budget of about \$985.6 million. The NRC is primarily supported by fees col-

lected from its licensees.

A major share of the NRC's work is regulating the use of nuclear energy to generate electric power. The NRC regulates Nebraska's two commercial nuclear power plants — the Cooper Nuclear Station near Brownville and the Fort Calhoun Station near Fort Calhoun. The Nebraska Public Power District operates the Cooper plant, and the Omaha Public Power District operates the Fort Calhoun plant.

## U.S. Postal Service

**Central Plains District:** P.O. Box 249500, Omaha, NE 68124-9500, phone (402) 255-3900

**District Manager:** Lloyd Wilkinson

**Postal Inspection Service:** 10707 Pacific St., Suite 100, P.O. Box 249550, Omaha, NE 68124-9550, phone (402) 392-8920

**Omaha Post Office:** 1124 Pacific St., P.O. Box 249998, Omaha, NE 68108, phone (402) 348-2696

**Postmaster:** Keith J. Reid

**Lincoln Post Office:** 700 R St., Lincoln, NE 68501-9998, phone (402) 458-1842

**Postmaster:** Kerry Kowalski

The U.S. Postal Service provides mail processing and delivery services to individuals and businesses within the United States. The service develops mail-handling systems and operates its own planning and engineering programs. The protection of the U.S. mail and the mail system is the responsibility of the Postal Inspection Service. As the law enforcement arm of the U.S. Postal Service, the Inspection Service is the country's oldest federal law enforcement agency and has jurisdiction in all criminal matters infringing on the integrity and security of the mail, and the safety of all postal valuables, property and personnel. Postal inspectors investigate violations of all postal laws and other related criminal violations. Included are investigations of mail fraud, the illegal transmission of controlled substances through the U.S. mail, the mailing of child pornography, thefts of mail or other postal valuables, assaults on postal employees, bombs sent through the mail and other unauthorized mail matter, including poison and harmful or prohibited articles.

The Central Plains District is responsible for post offices in Nebraska, Kansas and southwestern Iowa. The district covers more than 155,000 square miles and serves nearly 4 million people. The Nebraska post offices are under the jurisdiction of the district manager.

More than 4.5 million pieces of mail are processed each day at the Omaha Mail Processing Plant. The plant is fully automated and ranks as one of the top nationally in on-time delivery of first-class mail in the overnight delivery area. Omaha has next-day delivery to the following zip code prefixes: 680-687 (approximately the eastern third of Nebraska) and 515-516 (Council Bluffs, Iowa, and southwestern Iowa). First-class mail can be delivered in two or three days to most cities across the nation.

## Nebraska Zip Codes, 2015\*

City	Zip Code	City	Zip Code
Abie	68001	Bloomington	68929
Adams	68301	Blue Hill	68930
Agnew	68428	Blue Springs	68318
Ainsworth	69210	Boelus	68820
Albion	68620	Boone	68620
Alda	68810	Boys Town	68010
Alexandria	68303	Bradshaw	68319
Allen	68710	Brady	69123
Alliance	69301	Brainard	68626
Alma	68920	Brewster	68821
Almeria	68879	Bridgeport	69336
Alvo	68304	Bristow	68719
Amelia	68711	Broadwater	69125
Ames	68621	Brock	68320
Amherst	68812	Broken Bow	68822
Angora	69331	Brownlee	69166
Anselmo	68813	Brownville	68321
Ansley	68814	Brule	69127
Arapahoe	68922	Bruning	68322
Arcadia	68815	Bruno	68014
Archer	68816	Brunswick	68720
Arlington	68002	Burchard	68323
Arnold	69120	Burr	68324
Arthur	69121	Burwell	68823
Ashby	69333	Bushnell	69128
Ashland	68003	Butte	68722
Ashton	68817	Byron	68325
Atkinson	68713	Cairo	68824
Atlanta	68923	Callaway	68825
Auburn	68305	Cambridge	69022
Aurora	68818	Campbell	68932
Avoca	68307	Carleton	68326
Axtell	68924	Carroll	68723
Ayr	68925	Cedar Bluffs	68015
Bancroft	68004	Cedar Creek	68016
Barneston	68309	Cedar Rapids	68627
Bartlett	68622	Center	68724
Bartley	69020	Central City	68826
Bassett	68714	Ceresco	68017
Battle Creek	68715	Chadron	69337
Bayard	69334	Chambers	68725
Beatrice	68310	Champion	69023
Beaver City	68926	Chapman	68827
Beaver Crossing	68313	Chappell	69129
Bee	68314	Chester	68327
Beemer	68716	Clarks	68628
Belden	68717	Clarkson	68629
Belgrade	68623	Clatonia	68328
Bellevue	68005	Clay Center	68933
	68123	Clearwater	68726
	68147	Cody	69211
Bellwood	68624	Coleridge	68727
Belvidere	68315	Colon	68018
Benedict	68316	Columbus	68601-02
Benkelman	69021		
Bennet	68317	Comstock	68828
Bennington	68007	Concord	68728
Bertrand	68927	Cook	68329
Berwyn	68814	Cordova	68330
Big Springs	69122	Cornlea	68642
Bingham	69335	Cortland	68331
Bladen	68928	Cotesfield	68835
Blair	68008-09	Cozad	69130
		Crab Orchard	68332
Bloomfield	68718	Craig	68019

\* Source: U.S. Postal Service.

## Nebraska Zip Codes, 2015 (Cont'd.)

City	Zip Code	City	Zip Code
Crawford.....	69339	Fordyce .....	68736
Creighton.....	68729	Fort Calhoun.....	68023
Creston.....	68631	Foster (Osmond).....	68737
Crete.....	68333	Franklin.....	68939
Crofton.....	68730	Fremont.....	68025-26
Crookston.....	69212	Friend.....	68359
Culbertson.....	69024	Fullerton.....	68638
Curtis.....	69025	Funk.....	68940
Dakota City.....	68731	Garland.....	68360
Dalton.....	69131	Garrison.....	68632
Danbury.....	69026	Geneva.....	68361
Dannebrog.....	68831	Genoa.....	68640
Davenport.....	68335	Gering.....	69341
Davey.....	68336	Gibbon.....	68840
David City.....	68632	Gilead.....	68362
Dawson.....	68337	Giltner.....	68841
Daykin.....	68338	Glenvil.....	68941
Decatur.....	68020	Goehner.....	68364
Denton.....	68339	Gordon.....	69343
Deshler.....	68340	Gothenburg.....	69138
Deweese.....	68934	Grafton.....	68365
DeWitt.....	68341	Grand Island.....	68801-03
Dickens.....	69132	Grant.....	69140
Diller.....	68342	Greeley.....	68842
Dix.....	69133	Greenwood.....	68366
Dixon.....	68732	Gresham.....	68367
Dodge.....	68633	Gretna.....	68028
Doniphan.....	68832	Guide Rock.....	68942
Dorchester.....	68343	Gurley.....	69141
Douglas.....	68344	Hadar.....	68738
DuBois.....	68345	Haigler.....	69030
Dunbar.....	68346	Hallam.....	68368
Duncan.....	68634	Halsey.....	69142
Dunning.....	68833	Hamlet.....	69031
Dwight.....	68635	Hampton.....	68843
Eagle.....	68347	Hardy.....	68943
Eddyville.....	68834	Harrisburg.....	69345
Edgar.....	68935	Harrison.....	69346
Edison.....	68936	Hartington.....	68739
Elba.....	68835	Harvard.....	68944
Elgin.....	68636	Hastings.....	68901-02
Elk Creek.....	68348	Hay Springs.....	69347
Elkhorn.....	68022	Hayes Center.....	69032
Ellsworth.....	69340	Hazard.....	68844
Elm Creek.....	68836	Heartwell.....	68945
Elmwood.....	68349	Hebron.....	68370
Elsie.....	69134	Hemingford.....	69348
Elsmere.....	69135	Henderson.....	68371
Elwood.....	68937	Hendley.....	68946
Elyria.....	68837	Henry.....	69349
Emerson.....	68733	Herman.....	68029
Emmet.....	68734	Hershey.....	69143
Enders.....	69027	Hickman.....	68372
Endicott.....	68350	Hildreth.....	68947
Ericson.....	68637	Holbrook.....	68948
Eustis.....	69028	Holdrege.....	68949
Ewing.....	68735	Holland.....	68372
Exeter.....	68351	Holmesville.....	68374
Fairbury.....	68352	Holstein.....	68950
Fairfield.....	68938	Homer.....	68030
Fairmont.....	68354	Hooper.....	68031
Falls City.....	68355	Hordville.....	68846
Farnam.....	69029	Hoskins.....	68740
Farwell.....	68838		
Filley.....	68357		
Firth.....	68358		

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City	Zip Code	City	Zip Code
Howells	68641	Loup City	68853
Hubbard	68741	Lyman	69352
Hubbell	68375	Lynch	68746
Humboldt	68376	Lyons	68038
Humphrey	68642	Macy	68039
Huntley	68971	Madison	68748
Hyannis	69350	Madrid	69150
Imperial	69033	Magnet	68749
Inavale	68952	Malcolm	68402
Indianola	69034	Malmo	68040
Inland	68954	Manley	68403
Inman	68742	Marquette	68854
Ithaca	68033	Marsland	69354
Jackson	68743	Martell	68404
Jansen	68377	Maskell	68751
Johnson	68378	Mason City	68855
Johnstown	69214	Max	69037
Julian	68379	Maxwell	69151
Juniata	68955	Maywood	69038
Kearney	68845	McCook	69001
	68847-	McCool Junction	68401
	49	McGrew	69353
Kenesaw	68956	McLean	68747
Kennard	68034	Mead	68041
Keystone	69144	Meadow Grove	68752
Kilgore	69216	Melbeta	69355
Kimball	69145	Memphis	68042
La Vista	68128	Merna	68856
Lakeside	69351	Merriman	69218
Lamar	69023	Milburn	68813
Laurel	68745	Milford	68405
Lawrence	68957	Millard	68144-
Lebanon	69036		45
Leigh	68643	Miller	68858
Lemoine	69146	Milligan	68406
Leshara	68035	Mills	68753
Lewellen	69147	Minatare	69356
Lewiston	68380	Minden	68959
Lexington	68850	Mitchell	69357
Liberty	68381	Monroe	68647
Lincoln	68501-	Moorefield	69039
	10	Morrill	69358
	68512	Morse Bluff	68648
	68514	Mullen	69152
	68516-	Murdock	68407
	17	Murray	68409
	68520-	Naper	68755
	24	Naponee	68960
	68526-	Nebraska City	68410
	29	Nehawka	68413
	68531-	Neligh	68756
	32	Nelson	68961
	68542	Nemaha	68414
	68544	Nenzel	69219
	68572	Newcastle	68757
	68583	Newman Grove	68758
	68588	Newport	68759
Lindsay	68644	Nickerson	68044
Linwood	68036	Niobrara	68760
Lisco	69148	Nora	68961
Litchfield	68852	Norfolk	68701-
Lodgepole	69149		02
Long Pine	69217	Norman	68963
Loomis	68958	North Bend	68649
Lorton	68382	North Loup	68859
Louisville	68037	North Platte	69101

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North Platte (Cont'd.)	69103	Pilger	68768
Oak	68964	Plainview	68769
Oakdale	68761	Platte Center	68653
Oakland	68045	Plattsmouth	68048
Obert	68757	Pleasant Dale	68423
Oconto	68860	Pleasanton	68866
Octavia	68632	Plymouth	68424
Odell	68415	Polk	68654
Odessa	68861	Ponca	68770
Offutt Air Force Base	68113	Potter	69156
Ogallala	69153	Prague	68050
Ohiowa	68416	Primrose	68655
Omaha	68101-	Prosser	68883
	12	Purdum	69157
	68114	Ragan	68969
	68116-	Ralston	68127-
	20		28
	68122	Randolph	68771
	68124	Ravenna	68869
	68127	Raymond	68428
	68130-	Red Cloud	68970
	32	Republican City	68971
	68134-	Reynolds	68429
	39	Richfield	68059
	68142	Richland	68601
	68144-	Rising City	68658
	45	Riverdale	68870
	68152	Riverton	68972
	68154-	Roca	68430
	55	Rockville	68871
	68157	Rogers	68659
	68164	Rosalie	68055
	68172	Rose	68714
	68175-	Roseland	68973
	76	Royal	68773
	68178-	Rulo	68431
	83	Rushville	69360
	68197-	Ruskin	68974
	98	St. Columbans	68056
O'Neill	68763	St. Edward	68660
Ong	68452	St. Helena	68774
Orchard	68764	St. Libory	68872
Ord	68862	St. Mary	68443
Orleans	68966	St. Paul	68873
Osceola	68651	Salem	68433
Oshkosh	69154	Sargent	68874
Osmond	68765	Saronville	68975
Otoe	68417	Schuyler	68661
Overton	68863	Scotia	68875
Oxford	68967	Scottsbluff	69361
Page	68766		69363
Palisade	69040	Scribner	68057
Palmer	68864	Seneca	69161
Palmyra	68418	Seward	68434
Panama	68419	Shelby	68662
Papillion	68046	Shelton	68876
	68133	Shickley	68436
Parks	69041	Shubert	68437
Pawnee City	68420	Sidney	69160
Paxton	69155		69162
Pender	68047	Silver Creek	68663
Peru	68421	Smithfield	68976
Petersburg	68652	Snyder	68664
Phillips	68865	South Bend	68058
Pickrell	68422	South Sioux City	68776
Pierce	68767	Spalding	68665

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Sparks.....	69220	Valparaiso.....	68065
Spencer.....	68777	Venango.....	69168
Sprague.....	68438	Verdel.....	68760
Springfield.....	68059	Verdigre.....	68783
Springview.....	68778	Verdon.....	68457
Stamford.....	68977	Virginia.....	68458
Stanton.....	68779	Waco.....	68460
Staplehurst.....	68439	Wahoo.....	68066
Stapleton.....	69163	Wakefield.....	68784
Steele City.....	68440	Wallace.....	69169
Steinauer.....	68441	Walthill.....	68067
Stella.....	68442	Walton.....	68461
Sterling.....	68443	Washington.....	68068
Stockville.....	69042	Waterbury.....	68785
Strang.....	68444	Waterloo.....	68069
Stratton.....	69043	Wauneta.....	69045
Stromsburg.....	68666	Wausa.....	68786
Stuart.....	68780	Waverly.....	68462
Sumner.....	68878	Wayne.....	68787
Superior.....	68978	Weeping Water.....	68463
Surprise.....	68667	Weissert.....	68814
Sutherland.....	69165	Wellfleet.....	69170
Sutton.....	68979	West Point.....	68788
Swanton.....	68445	Western.....	68464
Syracuse.....	68446	Westerville.....	68881
Table Rock.....	68447	Weston.....	68070
Talmage.....	68448	Whiteclay.....	69365
Taylor.....	68879	Whitman.....	69366
Tecumseh.....	68450	Whitney.....	69367
Tekamah.....	68061	Wilber.....	68465
Theftord.....	69166	Wilcox.....	68982
Thurston.....	68062	Willow Island.....	69171
Tilden.....	68781	Wilsonville.....	69046
Tobias.....	68453	Winnebago.....	68071
Trenton.....	69044	Winnetoan.....	68789
Trumbull.....	68980	Winside.....	68790
Tryon.....	69167	Winslow.....	68072
Uehling.....	68063	Wisner.....	68791
Ulysses.....	68669	Wolbach.....	68882
Unadilla.....	68454	Wood Lake.....	69221
Union.....	68455	Wood River.....	68883
Upland.....	68981	Wymore.....	68466
Utica.....	68456	Wynot.....	68792
Valentine.....	69201	York.....	68467
Valley.....	68064	Yutan.....	68073

## Railroad Retirement Board

**District Office:** 1299 Farnam St., Suite 200, P.O. Box 815, Omaha, NE 68102-1857, phone (877) 772-5772, email address — [omaha@rrb.gov](mailto:omaha@rrb.gov), office hours 9 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

**District Manager:** Mark Thomson

The Railroad Retirement Board administers comprehensive retirement-survivor, disability and unemployment-sickness benefit programs for the nation's railroad workers and their families.

## Selective Service System

**Nebraska State Headquarters:** 1300 Military Road, Lincoln, NE 68508-1090, phone for registration information (888) 655-1825, website — [www.sss.gov](http://www.sss.gov)

**Director of Selective Service:** Lawrence G. Romo

The statutory missions of Selective Service are to be prepared to provide trained and untrained personnel to the Department of Defense in the event of a national emergency and to be prepared to implement an Alternative Service Program for registrants classified as conscientious objectors.

The system was established by the Military Selective Service Act. The act authorizes the registration of male U.S. citizens and all other males who are in the United States and between the ages of 18 and 26. Nonimmigrant aliens are exempted. Proclamation 4771 of July 2, 1980, requires male persons born after Jan. 1, 1960, who have reached age 18 to register. Registration is conducted over the Internet, at U.S. post offices and at U.S. embassies and consulates.

Nebraska has a state headquarters, 24 local boards, six area offices, one alternative service office, one district appeal board and one civilian review board. The state director and the 120 volunteer local board members are nominated by the governor and appointed by the national director of the Selective Service System on behalf of the president.

## Small Business Administration

**Nebraska District Office:** 10675 Bedford Ave., Suite 100, Omaha, NE 68134-3613, phone (402) 221-4691, fax (402) 221-3680, website — [www.sba.gov/ne](http://www.sba.gov/ne)

**Director:** Leon Milobar

**SBA/SCORE Business Information Center:** 10675 Bedford Ave., Suite 100, Omaha, NE 68134-3613, phone (402) 221-3606, fax (402) 221-3680, email address — [score@scoreomaha.org](mailto:score@scoreomaha.org)

The purposes of the U.S. Small Business Administration are to aid, counsel, assist and protect the interests of small business; ensure that small business concerns receive a fair portion of government purchases, contracts and subcontracts, as well as sales of government property; make loans to small business concerns, state and local development companies, and the victims of floods or other catastrophes, or of certain types of economic injury; and license, regulate and make loans to small business investment companies.

In Nebraska, the SBA offers free counseling, advice and information on starting a

business through the Service Corps of Retired Executives (SCORE) and the Nebraska Business Development Centers located in Omaha, Chadron, Kearney, Lincoln, North Platte, Scottsbluff and Wayne. Advice for women business owners is available through the Rural Enterprise Assistance Project's Women's Business Center .

The SBA connects small businesses with contracting opportunities with the federal government and has special loan programs available for businesses involved in international trade. In addition, a veterans officer is available to counsel entrepreneurs who wish to serve their community in a new way as a small business owner.

## Social Security Administration

**Grand Island Level 1 District Office:** 115 N. Webb Rd., Grand Island, NE 68803, phone (308) 385-6440, toll-free phone (800) 772-1213, (800) 325-0778 (TTY), website —[www.socialsecurity.gov](http://www.socialsecurity.gov)

**Norfolk Level 2 District Office:** 605 Iron Horse Dr., Suite 1, Norfolk, NE 68701, phone (402) 371-1595

**North Platte Level 2 District Office:** 300 E. Third St., Room 204, North Platte, NE 69101, phone (308) 532-9502

**Scottsbluff Level 2 District Office:** 415 Valley View Dr., Scottsbluff, NE 69361, phone (308) 635-2158

**Lincoln Level 1 District Office:** 100 Centennial Mall North, Room 240, Lincoln, NE 68508, phone (866) 593-2880

**Beatrice Level 2 District Office:** 2630 Eastside Blvd., Beatrice, NE 68310, phone (402) 223-2309

**Omaha Level 1 District Office:** Old Mill Centre, 604 N. 109th Ct., Omaha, NE 68154, phone (866) 716-8299

**Sioux City (Iowa) Level 1 District Office:** 3555 Southern Hills Drive, Sioux City, IA 51106, phone (866) 338-2859 (office serves Dakota, Dixon and Thurston counties in Nebraska)

**Omaha Office of Hearings and Appeals:** 9239 W. Center Road, Room 100, Omaha, NE 68124, phone (402) 391-7118

**Billings (Mont.) Office of Hearings and Appeals:** 2900 Fourth Ave. N., Suite 500, Billings, MT 59101, phone (402) 391-7118

**Chief Administrative Law Judge:** Lloyd Hartford

The Social Security Administration manages the nation's social insurance program, consisting of retirement, survivor and disability insurance programs, commonly known as Social Security. The SSA also administers the Supplemental Security Income program for the elderly, blind and disabled. The administration is responsible for studying the problems of poverty and economic insecurity among U.S. citizens and making recommendations on effective methods for solving these problems through social insurance. The administration also assigns Social Security numbers to workers and maintains earnings records for workers under their Social Security numbers.

Nebraska is served by eight SSA district offices and two hearing and appeals offices

in Omaha and Billings, Mont. Level 1 offices oversee other offices. The Grand Island Level 1 office oversees Level 2 offices in Norfolk, North Platte and Scottsbluff. The Lincoln Level 1 office oversees a Level 2 office in Beatrice. The Omaha Level 1 office oversees a Level 2 office in Council Bluffs, Iowa. The Sioux City, Iowa, Level 1 office, which serves Dakota, Dixon and Thurston counties in Nebraska, oversees Level 2 offices in Spencer, Iowa, and Storm Lake, Iowa.



**U.S. JUDICIAL BRANCH**

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## U.S. SUPREME COURT

**U.S. Supreme Court Building:** 1 First St. N.E., Washington, D.C. 20543, phone (202) 479-3000, website — [www.supremecourtus.gov](http://www.supremecourtus.gov)

**Chief Justice of the United States:** John G. Roberts, Jr.

Article III, Section 1 of the U.S. Constitution provides that “the judicial Power of the United States, shall be vested in one supreme Court, and in such inferior Courts as the Congress may from time to time ordain and establish.”

The Supreme Court is composed of the chief justice of the United States and such number of associate justices as may be fixed by Congress. The current number of associate justices is eight. The U.S. president nominates justices, and appointments are made with the advice and consent of the Senate. Article III, Section 1, further provides that “the Judges, both of the supreme and inferior Courts, shall hold their Offices during good Behaviour, and shall, at stated Times, receive for their Services, a Compensation, which shall not be diminished during their Continuance in Office.” A justice may retire at age 70 after serving for 10 years as a federal judge or at age 65 after serving 15 years.

The term of the court begins, by law, the first Monday in October of each year and continues as long as the business before the court requires, usually until the end of June. Six members constitute a quorum. Approximately 10,000 cases are filed with the court in the course of a term. The court hears oral argument in approximately 75 to 80 cases per term.

According to the Constitution (Article III, Section 2), the Supreme Court has jurisdiction over:

- all cases in law and equity arising under the U.S. Constitution, the laws of the United States and treaties made under their authority
- all cases affecting ambassadors, other public ministers and consuls
- all cases of admiralty and maritime jurisdiction
- controversies to which the United States is a party
- controversies between two or more states, between a state and citizens of another state, between citizens of different states, between citizens of the same state claiming lands under grants of different states, and between a state, or the citizens thereof, and foreign states, citizens or subjects

In all cases affecting ambassadors, other public ministers and consuls, and those in which a state is a party, the Supreme Court has original jurisdiction. In all the other cases mentioned above, the Supreme Court has appellate jurisdiction, with exceptions made by Congress. Congress has no authority to change the original jurisdiction of the Supreme Court.

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<sup>1</sup>Sources: *The United States Government Manual 2013-14* and information provided by the 8th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals, the U.S. District Court for the District of Nebraska and the Federal Public Defender’s Office for the District of Nebraska.

<b>Supreme Court Justice</b>	<b>Position</b>
Samuel A. Alito, Jr.....	Associate Justice
Stephen G. Breyer.....	Associate Justice
Ruth Bader Ginsburg.....	Associate Justice
Elena Kagan.....	Associate Justice
Anthony M. Kennedy.....	Associate Justice
Antonin Scalia.....	Associate Justice
Sonia M. Sotomayor.....	Associate Justice
Clarence Thomas.....	Associate Justice
John G. Roberts, Jr.....	Chief Justice

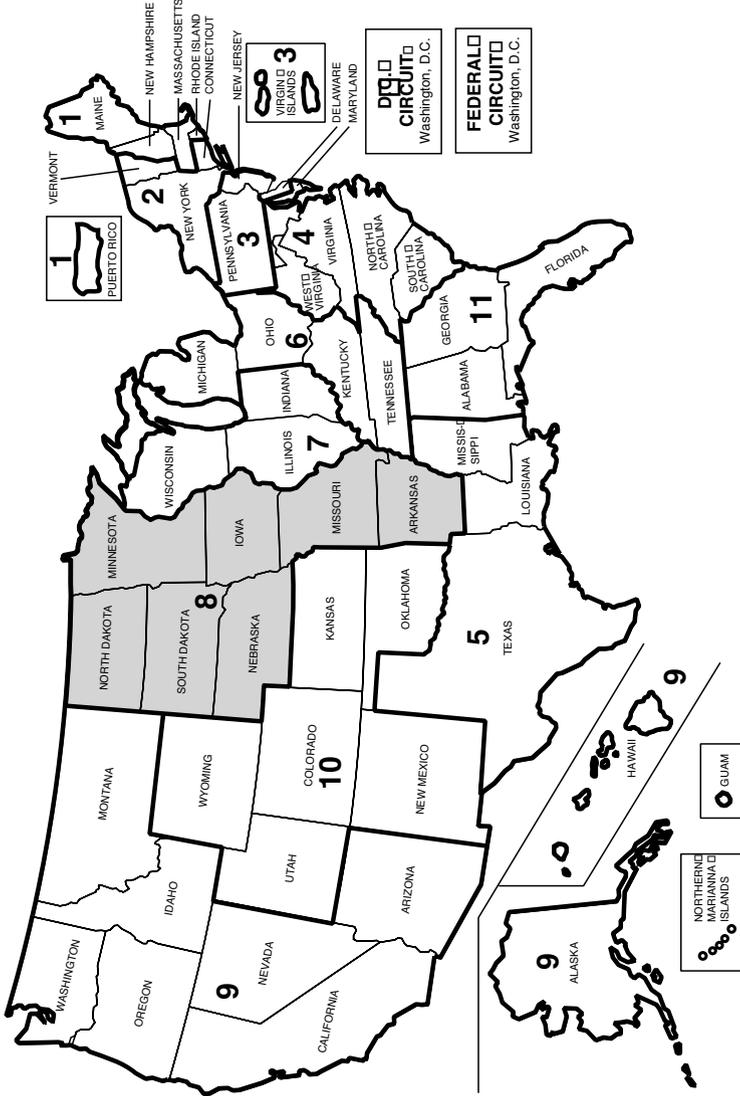
## COURTS OF APPEALS

The courts of appeals are intermediate appellate courts created to relieve the Supreme Court of considering all appeals in cases originally decided by the federal trial courts. Appeal courts are empowered to review all final decisions and certain provisional decisions of district courts. Appeal courts also are empowered to review and enforce orders of many federal administrative bodies. The decisions of courts of appeals are final, except that they may receive discretionary review or be appealed to the Supreme Court.

The United States is divided into 12 judicial circuits, including the District of Columbia. Each circuit has a court of appeals. Each state is assigned to a circuit, and the U.S. territories are assigned variously to the first, third and ninth circuits. A court of appeals for the Federal Circuit, which has nationwide jurisdiction defined by subject matter, also exists. Each court of appeals has six to 28 permanent circuit judgeships (179 in all), depending upon the amount of judicial work in the circuit. Circuit judges hold their offices during good behavior.

The judge senior in commission who is younger than 70 years old (65 at inception of term), has been in office at least one year, and has not previously been chief judge, serves as the chief judge of the circuit for a seven-year term. One Supreme Court justice is assigned as circuit justice for each of the 13 judicial circuits. Each court of appeals normally hears cases in panels of three judges each, but the court may sit with all judges present.

# U.S. Circuit Courts of Appeals<sup>2</sup>



<sup>2</sup>Source: Administrative Office of the U.S. Courts. Number and composition of circuits set forth by 28 U.S.C. Section 41.

## 8th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals

**Main Circuit Court Office:** Thomas F. Eagleton U.S. Courthouse, 111 S. 10th St., Suite 24.329, St. Louis, MO 63102, phone (314) 244-2400, website — [www.ca8.uscourts.gov](http://www.ca8.uscourts.gov)

**Subsidiary Circuit Court Office:** 500 Federal Courts Building, 316 N. Robert St., St. Paul, MN 55101, phone (651) 848-1300

**Circuit Justice:** Supreme Court Justice Samuel A. Alito, Jr.

**Chief Judge:** William J. Riley

Arkansas, Iowa, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota and South Dakota comprise the 8th Circuit Court of Appeals. Nebraska is represented on the court by one circuit judge and two senior judges. Senior judges are circuit judges who assume a smaller caseload than the active circuit judges.

The main court clerk's office is in St. Louis, and a subsidiary court clerk's office is in St. Paul, Minn. The court has one general term annually, which begins the second Monday in September.

8th Circuit Judge	Office Location	Position
C. Arlen Beam	Lincoln	Senior Circuit Judge
Duane Benton	Kansas City, Mo.	Circuit Judge
Pasco M. Bowman II	Kansas City, Mo.	Senior Circuit Judge
Myron H. Bright	Fargo, N.D.	Senior Circuit Judge
Kermit E. Bye	Fargo, N.D.	Circuit Judge
Steven M. Colloton	Des Moines, Iowa	Circuit Judge
Raymond W. Gruender	St. Louis, Mo.	Circuit Judge
Jane Kelly	Cedar Rapids, Iowa	Circuit Judge
James B. Loken	Minneapolis, Minn.	Circuit Judge
Michael J. Melloy	Cedar Rapids, Iowa	Senior Circuit Judge
Diana E. Murphy	Minneapolis, Minn.	Circuit Judge
William Jay Riley	Omaha	Chief Circuit Judge
Bobby E. Shepherd	El Dorado, Ark.	Circuit Judge
Lavenski R. Smith	Little Rock, Ark.	Circuit Judge
Roger L. Wollman	Sioux Falls, S.D.	Circuit Judge

## 8th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals Nebraska Judges, 1933-2015

Joseph W. Woodrough	1933-1961	Donald R. Ross <sup>4</sup>	1971-2003
Harvey M. Johnson	1940-1965	C. Arlen Beam <sup>5</sup>	1987-
Donald P. Lay <sup>3</sup>	1966-1983	William Jay Riley	2001-

<sup>3</sup>Moved from Nebraska to Minnesota in January 1983

<sup>4</sup>Senior Judge, 1987-2003

<sup>5</sup>Senior Judge, 2001-present

## 8th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals Nebraska Judges, 2015



### C. ARLEN BEAM SENIOR JUDGE

**Office Address:** 435 Denney Federal Building, 100 Centennial Mall North, Lincoln, NE 68508, phone (402) 437-1600

**Appointed to 8th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals:** Nov. 9, 1987; assumed senior judge status Feb. 1, 2001

**Biography:** Born Jan. 14, 1930, in Stapleton. Graduate of University of Nebraska (B.S.), 1951; (J.D.), 1965. Married Betty Fletcher, July 22, 1951; five children: Randal, James, Thomas, Bradley and Gregory. Military service: captain in U.S. Army. Former: appointed to U.S. District Court-District of Nebraska, Nov. 18, 1981 (chief judge 1986-87); practiced with law firms of Knudsen, Berkheimer, Beam, Richardson and Endacott, 1979-82; Knudsen, Berkheimer, Endacott & Beam, 1971-79; Chambers, Holland, Dudgeon & Beam, 1968-71; Chambers, Holland & Dudgeon, 1965-68. **Member:** Nebraska State Bar Association (admitted in 1965); Omaha Bar Association; Lincoln Bar Association; commissioner for National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws. Author of *Chief Judge Harvey M. Johnsen — A Prophet*

*with Honor* and articles to legal periodicals.

### WILLIAM JAY RILEY CIRCUIT JUDGE

**Office Address:** Roman L. Hruska U.S. Courthouse, 111 S. 18th Plaza, Suite 4303, Omaha, NE 68102-1322, phone (402) 661-7575

**Appointed to 8th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals:** August 3, 2001; became chief judge April 1, 2010

**Biography:** Born March 11, 1947, in Lincoln. Graduate of University of Nebraska-Lincoln (B.A., Phi Beta Kappa), 1969; University of Nebraska College of Law (J.D. with distinction and Order of the Coif), 1972. Married Norma Mason Riley, Dec. 27, 1965; three children: Brian J. Riley, Kevin J. Riley and Erin J. Riley Hoffman. Adjunct professor of trial advocacy, University of Nebraska - Lincoln College of Law, 2006-present. Former: adjunct professor of trial practice, Creighton Law School, 1991-2009; principal, Fitzgerald, Schorr, Barmettler and Brennan, P.C., L.L.O., 1973-2001. **Member:** Executive Committee, Judicial Conference of the United States; long range planning coordinator, federal judiciary, 2013 to present; president's council and board of trustees, Mid-America Council, Boy Scouts of America (juvenile diversion leader, 1997; scoutmaster, Troop 444, 1979-89); fellow, American College of Trial Lawyers (former Nebraska chair); associate, American Board of Trial Advocates (former state president); board certified civil trial specialist, National Board of Trial Advocacy; Nebraska State Bar Association (delegate to House of Delegates, 1998-2013; chair of ethics committee, 1996-98); Omaha Bar Association (former president and executive council member); current counselor and former master, Robert M. Spire American Inns of Court. **Former member:** Criminal Law Committee, Judicial Conference of the United States, 2005-2011.



## DISTRICT COURTS

U.S. district courts are the trial courts of general federal jurisdiction. Each state has at least one district court, and the larger states have as many as four. Altogether there are 94 U.S. district courts.

Each district court has two to 28 federal district judgeships, depending upon the amount of judicial work within its territory. Usually, only one judge is required to hear and decide a case in a district court, but in some cases it is required that three judges comprise the court. The judge senior in commission who is younger than 70 years old (65 at inception of term), has been in office for at least one year, and has not previously been chief judge, serves as chief judge for a seven-year term.

District judges hold their offices during good behavior. Each district court has one or more magistrate judges and bankruptcy judges, a clerk, a U.S. attorney, a U.S. marshal, probation officers, court reporters and their staffs.<sup>6</sup>

Cases from the district courts are reviewable on appeal by the applicable court of appeals.

### U.S. District Court — District of Nebraska

**Main District Court Office:** Roman L. Hruska U.S. Courthouse, 111 S. 18th Plaza, Omaha, NE 68102-1303, phone (402) 661-7350, website — [www.ned.uscourts.gov](http://www.ned.uscourts.gov)

**Divisional District Court Office:** 593 Denney Federal Building, 100 Centennial Mall North, Lincoln, NE 68508, phone (402) 437-1900

**Chief Judge:** Laurie Smith Camp

**Clerk of the District Court:** Denise M. Lucks

**Main Bankruptcy Court Office:** Roman L. Hruska U.S. Courthouse, 111 S. 18th Plaza, Omaha, NE 68102-1303, phone (402) 661-7444

**Divisional Bankruptcy Court Office:** 460 Denney Federal Building, 100 Centennial Mall North, Lincoln, NE 68508, phone (402) 437-1625

**Clerk of the Bankruptcy Court:** Diane L. Zech

**Pretrial Services:** Roman L. Hruska U.S. Courthouse, 111 S. 18th Plaza, Omaha, NE 68102-1303, phone (402) 661-7560; 546 Denney Federal Building, 100 Centennial Mall North, Lincoln, NE 68508, phone (402) 437-1680

**Chief Pretrial Services Officer:** Timothy G. Connor

**Probation:** Roman L. Hruska U.S. Courthouse, 111 S. 18th Plaza, Omaha, NE 68102-1303, phone (402) 661-7555; 530 Denney Federal Building, 100 Centennial Mall North, Lincoln, NE 68508, phone (402) 437-1920

**Chief Probation Officer:** Mary Lee Ranheim

Nebraska constitutes a single district in the U.S. district court system. The state is served by three district judges, three senior district judges, three magistrate judges and two bankruptcy judges.

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<sup>6</sup>See Pages 152-153 for more details on U.S. attorneys and Pages 155-156 for more details on U.S. marshals.

District Judge	Office Location	Position
Laurie Smith Camp .....	Omaha.....	Chief Judge
John M. Gerrard.....	Lincoln .....	District Judge

Senior District Judge	Office Location	Position
Joseph F. Bataillon.....	Omaha.....	Senior District Judge
Richard G. Kopf .....	Lincoln .....	Senior District Judge
Lyle E. Strom .....	Omaha.....	Senior District Judge

Magistrate Judge	Office Location	Position
F.A. Gossett III.....	Omaha.....	Magistrate Judge
Thomas D. Thalken .....	Omaha.....	Magistrate Judge
Cheryl R. Zwart.....	Lincoln .....	Magistrate Judge

Bankruptcy Judge	Office Location	Position
Timothy J. Mahoney .....	Omaha .....	Bankruptcy Judge
Thomas L. Saladino .....	Lincoln.....	Chief Bankruptcy Judge

## U.S. District Court — District of Nebraska

### Nebraska Judges, 1868-2015

Elmer S. Dundy.....	1868-1896	Albert G. Schatz .....	1973-1985
William D. McHugh.....	1896-1897	C. Arlen Beam .....	1982-1987
William H. Munger .....	1897-1915	William G. Cambridge.....	1988-2000
Thomas C. Munger.....	1907-1941	Warren K. Urbom <sup>10</sup> .....	1970-2014
Joseph W. Woodrough.....	1916-1933	Lyle E. Strom <sup>11</sup> .....	1985-
James A. Donohoe.....	1933-1956	Richard G. Kopf <sup>13</sup> .....	1992-
John W. Delehant <sup>7</sup> .....	1942-1972	Thomas M. Shanahan <sup>12</sup> .....	1993-2007
Richard E. Robinson <sup>8</sup> .....	1956-1991	Joseph F. Bataillon.....	1997-
Robert Van Pelt <sup>9</sup> .....	1957-1970	Laurie Smith Camp .....	2001-
Richard A. Dier .....	1971-1972	John M. Gerrard.....	2012-
Richard V. Denney .....	1971-1981		

<sup>7</sup>Senior judge until death in 1972.

<sup>8</sup>Senior judge, 1972-91.

<sup>9</sup>Retired from the bench in 1970, but assumed senior judge status until death in 1988.

<sup>10</sup>Senior judge, 1991-2014; retired in 2014.

<sup>11</sup>Senior judge, 1995-present.

<sup>12</sup>Senior judge, 2004-07; retired in 2007.

<sup>13</sup>Senior judge, 2011-present.

## U.S. District Court — District of Nebraska Nebraska Judges, 2015

### JOSEPH F. BATAILLON SENIOR JUDGE

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**Appointed as U.S. District Judge:** Sept. 18, 1997; served as chief judge for the District of Nebraska, 2004-11

**Biography:** Born 1949, in Omaha. Graduate of Creighton University (B.A. in political science), 1971; Creighton University (J.D.), 1974. Married Pamela D. Nelson, 1971; five children: Aimee, Jared, Margery, Patrick and Kathryn. Military service: 403rd Military Police POW Camp, Enclosure Commander, U.S. Army Reserve, 1976-78; 119 Judge Advocate General Det. Defense Counsel, U.S. Army Reserve, 1978-86. Former: private practice trial attorney, Sodoro, Daly and Sodoro, Omaha, 1980-97; deputy Douglas County public defender, 1974-80; Nebraska Democratic Party state chairman, 1993-95. **Member:** Budget Committee, Economic Subcommittee, Federal Judicial Conference; Federal Judges Association; Nebraska State Bar Association (House of Delegates); Omaha State Bar Association; Federal Bar Association; American Bar Association. **Former member:** chairman, Space and Facility committee; Budget and Finance Advisory Committee, Administrative Office of the Courts, 2001-05; District CM/ECF working group for the Administrative Office of the Courts, 2001-05.



### LAURIE SMITH CAMP CHIEF JUDGE

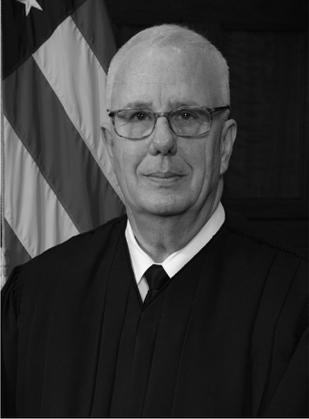
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**Appointed as U.S. District Judge:** Nov. 2, 2001; became chief judge for the District of Nebraska, Dec. 1, 2011

**Biography:** Born Nov. 28, 1953, in Omaha. Graduate of Stanford University (B.A.), 1974; University of Nebraska-Lincoln (J.D.), 1977. Two children: Jonathan and Abby. Former: Nebraska Deputy Attorney General for Criminal Matters, 1995-2001; real estate development, Lincoln Haymarket District, 1982-2000; chief, Civil Rights Section, Office of Nebraska Attorney General, 1991-95; general counsel, Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, 1980-91; private practice in Nebraska and Kansas, 1977-80. **Former member:** chairwoman, Nebraska Federal Practice Committee; president, Robert Van Pelt American Inn of Court; president, Robert M. Spire American Inn of Court; director, Nebraska County Attorneys Association; director, Nebraska Coalition for Victims

of Crime; president, Abendmusik, classical music series; director, Nebraska Conference of United Church of Christ; president, Nebraska Correctional Association; director, Willa Cather Foundation; community board member, Nebraska Shakespeare Festival; Nebraska State Bar Association, committees on corrections, legislation, professionalism and minorities and justice. **Honors and awards:** Lifetime Fellow, Nebraska Bar Foundation; University of Nebraska - Lincoln, College of Law, Distinguished Alumni Award, 2006; Outstanding Contributor to Women in Law Award, NSBA Women and the Law Section, 2005; Warren K. Urborn Mentor Award, Robert Van Pelt American Inn of Court, 2004; Nebraska Law Enforcement Coordinating Committee Top Award, 2001; Nebraska State Manager of the Year, 1994; editor-in-chief, Nebraska Law Review, 1976-77.

## U.S. District Court — District of Nebraska Nebraska Judges, 2015 (Cont'd.)



**RICHARD G. KOPF**

**SENIOR JUDGE**

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**Appointed as U.S. District Judge:** May 26, 1992; served as chief judge for the District of Nebraska, 1999-2004; assumed senior judge status Dec. 1, 2011

**Biography:** Born Dec. 1, 1946, in Toledo, Ohio. Graduate of Kearney State College, 1969; University of Nebraska College of Law (with distinction and Order of the Coif), 1972. Married Verdella Blank Kopf (deceased Dec. 26, 1986); three children: Marne C. Byrd, Lisa Sedlacek and Keller Kopf. Married Joan Stofferson, April 30, 1992. Former: appointed full-time U.S. magistrate, 1987; private law practice, Cook, Kopf and Doyle, Lexington, 1974-86; served as counsel for the state of Nebraska in regard to the impeachment of the Nebraska attorney general, 1984; law clerk to Donald R. Ross, U.S. Circuit Judge, 1972-74. **Honors and awards:** elected Fellow of the Nebraska Bar Foundation, 1989.

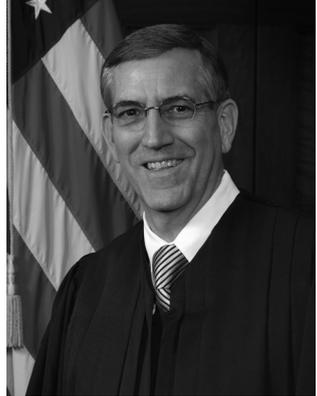
**JOHN M. GERRARD**

**JUDGE**

**Office Address:** 586 Denney Federal Building, 100 Centennial Mall North, Lincoln, NE 68508-3803, phone (402) 437-1660

**Appointed as U.S. District Judge:** Feb. 6, 2012

**Biography:** Born Nov. 2, 1953, in Schuyler. Graduate of Nebraska Wesleyan University (B.S.), 1975; University of Arizona (M.P.A.), 1977; University of the Pacific, McGeorge School of Law (J.D.), 1981. Married Nancy Fickenscher, March 11, 1977; four children: Erin, Michaela, Eric and Mitchell. Admitted to Nebraska State Bar Association, U.S. District Court for the District of Nebraska and 8th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals, 1981. Former: private practice attorney, Norfolk, 1981-95. **Member:** Nebraska State Bar Association; American Bar Association; Board Certified (Civil), National Board of Trial Advocacy; American Board of Trial Advocates.



## U.S. District Court — District of Nebraska Nebraska Judges, 2015 (Cont'd.)

### LYLE E. STROM

### SENIOR JUDGE

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**Appointed as U.S. District Judge:** Nov. 1, 1985; served as chief judge for the District of Nebraska, 1987-94; assumed senior judge status Nov. 2, 1995

**Biography:** Born Jan. 6, 1925, in Omaha. Graduate of Creighton University (B.A.), 1950; Creighton University School of Law (J.D.), 1953. Married July 31, 1950; wife Regina Kelly, deceased; seven children: Mary Bess Hawkins, Amy C., Susan (deceased), Cassie, Margaret, David and Bryan. Admitted to practice in Nebraska State Courts, 1953; 8th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals, 1955; U.S. Supreme Court, 1970; 10th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals, 1974. Director of Robert Spire Intern Program, 1995-present. Former: instructor at Creighton University School of Law, 1958-70 and 1974-95. **Member:** American College of Trial Lawyers (fellow); International Academy of



Trial Lawyers (fellow); Nebraska State Bar Association (admitted 1953; president, 1989-90; executive council, 1981-87; Committee on Inquiry for 4th Judicial District, 1970-85; House of Delegates, 1977-81); Omaha Bar Association (president, 1980-81; Memorials Committee, 1976-85; chairman, Committee on Supreme Court Redistricting, 1974-80); Defense Research Institute; Omaha Rotary Club (president, 1993-94; board of directors, 1988-91); Alpha Sigma Nu (Jesuit honorary fraternity); Archbishop's Committee for Educational Development (chairman, 1983-84); Mid-America Council, Boy Scouts of America (chairman, executive committee, Juvenile Diversion Program, 1990-present; board of trustees, executive committee). Former member: Committee on Practice and Procedure, co-chairman, Federal Practice Committee, U.S. District Court-District of Nebraska; Nebraska Supreme Court; 8th Circuit Judicial Conference Committee on Study Restructuring of the Judicial Conference; 8th Circuit Court of Appeals Gender Fairness Task Force, 1993-97; Committee on Rules and Procedure, American Bar Association, 1977-85; Provisional Remedies Subcommittee, Supreme Court Committee on Practice and Procedure, 1978-82; president, Midwestern Association of Amateur Athletics Union, 1976-78. Honors and awards: Omaha Bar Association Lifetime Achievement Award, 2002; 8th Circuit Professionalism Award, American Inns of Court, 2001; Creighton University School of Law Faculty Award, 1953.

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**Nebraska Federal Public Defender:** David R. Stickman

The Criminal Justice Act establishes the procedure for the appointment of counsel in federal criminal cases for individuals who are unable to afford adequate representation under plans adopted by each district court. The act also permits district courts to establish federal public defender or federal community defender organizations in districts where at least 200 people annually require the appointment of counsel. Nebraska has had a federal public defender since 1993. The 8th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals appoints the Nebraska federal public defender for a four-year renewable term.

## Nebraska Federal Public Defender, 2015



### DAVID R. STICKMAN

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**Appointed Federal Public Defender for the District of Nebraska:** Dec. 1, 1993

**Biography:** Born 1955 in Omaha. Graduate of University of Nebraska-Lincoln (B.S. in business administration), 1978; Washington College of Law, American University (J.D.), 1981. Married Dec. 27, 1980; three children. Admitted to practice in the District of Columbia, 1982; Maryland, 1982; Nebraska, 1983; Supreme Court of the United States, 1987; U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit, 1982; 8th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals, 1987. **Member:** Robert M. Spire American Inn of Court; past president, Nebraska Criminal Defense Attorneys Association; past-president, National Association of Federal Public Defenders; Nebraska State Bar Association.



**NEBRASKA STATE GOVERNMENT**

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## HISTORY OF STATE GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATION<sup>1</sup>

**Initial movement for statehood.** The first movement for a Nebraska state constitution resulted in a territorial election on March 5, 1860, in which the proposition was defeated 2,094 to 2,372. Cass, Otoe and Washington counties were among the movement's strongest supporters, while Douglas, Dakota, Richardson and Sarpy counties were its strongest opponents.

**Second movement for statehood.** Civil War political issues prompted and sustained the next movement for statehood. Nebraska had become strongly Republican, and there was a call for more Republican senators and representatives in Washington. The 9th Territorial Legislature, by a joint memorial to Congress approved on Jan. 16, 1864, petitioned for legislation to admit Nebraska as a state. The Democratic Party in Nebraska opposed statehood. Eleven of 35 members in the lower house of the Legislature voted against the memorial. Congress responded quickly by passing the Nebraska Enabling Act on April 19, 1864. Through this act, an election took place on June 6, 1864, for delegates to a constitutional convention. The members chosen were equal in number to the Territorial Legislature membership. The convention met at the Capitol on July 4, 1864, and elected Sterling P. Majors of Nemaha County as its president. After completing its organization, the convention voted to "adjourn sine die, without forming a constitution." A majority of convention members pledged to this action before their election, saying they wanted to avoid the expense of state government. Opposition to statehood by the Democrats also played a role.

**Drafting and adoption of the constitution of 1866.** The assassination of President Abraham Lincoln on April 14, 1865, and the developing controversy between President Andrew Johnson and the Republican leaders in Congress again raised the question of Nebraska statehood. On Feb. 9, 1866, the 11th Territorial Legislature passed a joint resolution calling for a constitution to be submitted to the people. This constitution was hastily drafted by a legislative committee and rushed through both houses. It provided for the most bare framework of government, the fewest possible officers, the lowest salaries and the most meager functions for the new state in order to stop objections to state government's increased expense. Voters approved the constitution on June 2, 1866. The heated campaign resulted in 3,938 to 3,838 approval of the constitution.

**1866 constitution delayed statehood.** The constitution of 1866 limited suffrage to "free white males," as did many other northern free state constitutions before the Civil War. This language delayed the admission of Nebraska into the Union for about a year. Congress passed a bill admitting Nebraska under this constitution on July 27, 1866, just before adjournment. However, President Johnson withheld his signature, and it failed to become law. Congress tried to amend the bill to require Nebraska to include

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<sup>1</sup>Sources: *Nebraska: The Land and the People*, Addison E. Sheldon, 1931; Office of the Nebraska Secretary of State.

voting rights for nonwhite people in its constitution. When Congress reassembled, the bill admitting Nebraska was passed again on Jan. 15, 1867, with the condition that Nebraska should amend its constitution to prevent the "abridgement or denial of the exercise of the elective franchise or any other right to any person by reason of race or color, excepting Indians not taxed." President Johnson vetoed this bill on Jan. 29, 1867. Congress overrode the veto and provided that the Nebraska Legislature should ratify the amendment insisted on by Congress. This was done in a special session on Feb. 20 and 21, 1867. On March 1, 1867, President Johnson proclaimed Nebraska a state.

**Constitutional convention of 1871.** The inadequacy of the 1866 constitution became apparent, and the state Legislature, by joint resolution approved on Feb. 15, 1869, submitted to the electors a proposition to have a constitutional convention. On Oct. 11, 1870, the voters, by a 3,968 to 979 vote, approved the convention. An act approved on March 27, 1871, fixed the date for election of convention members as the first Tuesday in May 1871. The act required them to meet in Lincoln on the second Tuesday in June. On June 13, 1871, Silas A. Strickland of Douglas County was chosen as the convention's permanent president. The 47-day convention covered nearly all the political, social and religious questions of the day. Five different propositions, which most convention members were unwilling to adopt, were submitted separately. They included women's suffrage, prohibition, compulsory education, municipal aid to corporations and liability of stockholders. By a 7,986 to 8,627 vote, the people rejected this constitution, and they also rejected the separately submitted propositions on Sept. 19, 1871. Voters mostly objected to provisions to tax church property of more than \$5,000 in value and to allow railroad right-of-way to revert to the original owners after it was no longer used for railroad transportation. The original shorthand report of the constitutional convention proceedings of 1871 was discovered in a statehouse vault in 1899. In 1905, the Legislature appropriated money to publish these proceedings. The Nebraska State Historical Society printed them in two volumes.

**Constitutional convention of 1875.** Agitation for a new constitution grew stronger as settlement extended to western Nebraska. The Legislature, by a joint resolution approved Feb. 26, 1873, again submitted the proposition for a constitutional convention. At an October 1874 election, the proposition carried by a 18,067 to 3,880 vote. On Feb. 20, 1875, the Legislature passed an act to elect members of the constitutional convention on April 6 and require the 69-member convention to meet in Lincoln on May 11. John L. Webster of Douglas County was made permanent president, and Guy A. Brown of Lancaster County was secretary. The convention adjourned on June 12. This constitution, which would be the fundamental law of the state until Jan. 1, 1921, was adopted on Oct. 12, 1875, by a vote of 30,332 to 5,474. Much of the 1875 constitution was the same as the rejected constitution of 1871. The executive, legislative and judicial departments were enlarged, and officers' salaries were increased. State officers were prohibited from appropriating fees for their own use. Supreme Court judges were relieved from duty as district judges. Special legislation was forbidden. Provision was made for regulating corporations, and taxation power was limited. The Nebraska State Historical Society published the journal of the 1875 constitutional convention.

Apparently there was no provision for a shorthand report of the proceedings. If such a report was made, it has been lost.

**Constitutional amendments proposed from 1875 to 1918.**<sup>2</sup> Thirty-nine constitutional amendments — 36 by the Legislature and three by initiative — were submitted to the people from 1875 to 1918. The most persistent subjects were increases in the number and salaries of judges, considered as six amendments at three elections; the creation of a railway commission, considered four times; and legislators' salaries, considered three times.

These 11 amendments were adopted:

- Increased pay of legislators in 1886
- Creation of a Railway Commission in 1906
- Increased number and pay of judges in 1908
- Investment of school funds in 1908
- Initiative and referendum provisions in 1912
- Increased pay of legislators in 1912
- Creation of the Board of Commissioners for State Institutions in 1912
- Establishment of biennial elections in 1912
- Home rule charter provisions for cities of more than 5,000 inhabitants in 1912
- Establishment of prohibition of liquor traffic in 1916
- Forbidding suffrage to aliens in 1918

**Party circle law and primary law.** With the exception of the first increased legislative pay amendment (the Legislature recounted the vote), all successful amendments submitted by the Legislature had the aid of the "party circle" law and the primary law. These laws were passed because the constitution required all proposed amendments to receive a majority of all the votes cast at the election, making it nearly impossible to amend the fundamental law of Nebraska except through the initiative. Thousands of voters were failing to vote on proposed amendments. The party circle law and primary law allowed amendments to be adopted as part of a party ticket. If a party endorsed an amendment at the primary, all the straight party votes at the general election were counted as votes in favor of the amendment.

**Deputyships.** Growth of state government activities and functions was slowed by a provision in the constitution that forbade the creation of additional executive offices. Thus, the burden of all new executive activity was forced on officers elected or appointed under the constitution. This resulted in deputyships, which were official positions that separated power from performance and thrust many dissimilar responsibilities upon constitutional officers, whose duties grew with the state's development.

**Proposals for constitutional conventions.** The need for constitutional revision was felt as early as 1903, and the Legislature, by joint resolution approved on April 6, 1903, submitted to the electors a proposal for a constitutional convention. At the general election of Nov. 8, 1904, the voters approved the convention on a 32,820 to 23,497 vote out of a total of 232,457 votes. However, the measure was defeated because of the constitutional requirement that such proposals must receive a majority of the total votes cast in the election. No other proposal for a convention was submitted until the

<sup>2</sup>For a list of votes on constitutional amendment proposals from 1882 to 2014, see Pages 241-257.

Legislature, by a joint resolution approved April 21, 1917, again gave the electorate a chance to vote on the question. The proposal was adopted at the general election of Nov. 5, 1918, by a 121,830 to 44,941 vote out of a total vote of 225,717. By an act approved March 24, 1919, the Legislature provided for a special election to elect convention members and required them to meet in Lincoln on Dec. 2, 1919.

**Constitutional convention of 1919-1920.** The constitutional convention lasted from Dec. 2, 1919, to March 25, 1920. It submitted 41 amendments to the people, and at a special election on Sept. 21, 1920, all 41 amendments were adopted.<sup>3</sup> A committee had been appointed by the convention before it adjourned to incorporate the adopted amendments into the constitution of 1875. On Oct. 19, 1920, the convention met and signed the amended document.

**Constitutional amendments adopted since 1920.** Since the constitutional convention of 1919-20, 180 amendments have been adopted and incorporated into the state constitution.<sup>4</sup>

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<sup>3</sup>See Pages 239-241 for a list of these amendments and vote totals for the special election.

<sup>4</sup>For a list of amendments proposed from 1882 to 2014, see Pages 241-257.

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# CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE OF NEBRASKA OF 1875 (as amended through December, 2014)

## PREAMBLE.

We, the people, grateful to Almighty God for our freedom, do ordain and establish the following declaration of rights and frame of government, as the Constitution of the State of Nebraska.

## ARTICLE I: BILL OF RIGHTS

Sec. 1. All persons are by nature free and independent, and have certain inherent and inalienable rights; among these are life, liberty, the pursuit of happiness, and the right to keep and bear arms for security or defense of self, family, home, and others, and for lawful common defense, hunting, recreational use, and all other lawful purposes, and such rights shall not be denied or infringed by the state or any subdivision thereof. To secure these rights, and the protection of property, governments are instituted among people, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed. (Amended 1988.)

Sec. 2. There shall be neither slavery nor involuntary servitude in this state, otherwise than for punishment of crime, whereof the party shall have been duly convicted.

Sec. 3. No person shall be deprived of life, liberty, or property, without due process of law, nor be denied equal protection of the laws. (Amended 1998.)

Sec. 4. All persons have a natural and indefeasible right to worship Almighty God according to the dictates of their own consciences. No person shall be compelled to attend, erect or support any place of worship against his consent, and no preference shall be given by law to any religious society, nor shall any interference with the rights of conscience be permitted. No religious test shall be required as a qualification for office, nor shall any person be incompetent to be a witness on account of his religious beliefs; but nothing herein shall be construed to dispense with oaths and affirmations. Religion, morality, and knowledge, however, being essential to good government, it shall be the duty of the Legislature to pass suitable laws to protect every religious denomination in the peaceable enjoyment of its own mode of public worship, and to encourage schools and the means of instruction.

Sec. 5. Every person may freely speak, write and publish on all subjects, being responsible for the abuse of that liberty; and in all trials for libel, both civil and criminal, the truth when published with good motives, and for justifiable ends, shall be a sufficient defense.

Sec. 6. The right of trial by jury shall remain inviolate, but the Legislature may authorize trial by a jury of a less number than twelve in courts inferior to the District Court, and may by general law authorize a verdict in civil cases in any court by not less than five-sixths of the jury. (Amended 1920.)

Sec. 7. The right of the people to be secure in their persons, houses, papers, and effects against unreasonable searches and seizures shall not be violated; and no warrant shall issue but upon probable cause, supported by oath or affirmation, and particularly describing the place to be searched, and the person or thing to be seized.

Sec. 8. The privilege of the writ of habeas corpus shall not be suspended. (Amended 1998.)

Sec. 9. All persons shall be bailable by sufficient sureties, except for treason, sexual offenses involving penetration by force or against the will of the victim, and murder, where the proof is evident or the presumption great. Excessive bail shall not be required, nor excessive fines imposed, nor cruel and unusual punishment inflicted. (Amended 1978.)

Sec. 10. No person shall be held to answer for a criminal offense, except in cases in which

the punishment is by fine, or imprisonment otherwise than in the penitentiary, in case of impeachment, and in cases arising in the army and navy, or in the militia when in actual service in time of war or public danger, unless on a presentment or indictment of a grand jury; *Provided*, That the Legislature may by law provide for holding persons to answer for criminal offenses on information of a public prosecutor; and may by law, abolish, limit, change, amend, or otherwise regulate the grand jury system.

Sec. 11. In all criminal prosecutions the accused shall have the right to appear and defend in person or by counsel, to demand the nature and cause of accusation, and to have a copy thereof; to meet the witnesses against him face to face; to have process to compel the attendance of witnesses in his behalf; and a speedy public trial by an impartial jury of the county or district in which the offense is alleged to have been committed.

Sec. 12. No person shall be compelled, in any criminal case, to give evidence against himself, or be twice put in jeopardy for the same offense.

Sec. 13. All courts shall be open, and every person, for any injury done him or her in his or her lands, goods, person, or reputation, shall have a remedy by due course of law and justice administered without denial or delay, except that the Legislature may provide for the enforcement of mediation, binding arbitration agreements, and other forms of dispute resolution which are entered into voluntarily and which are not revocable other than upon such grounds as exist at law or in equity for the revocation of any contract. (Amended 1996.)

Sec. 14. Treason against the state shall consist only in levying war against the state, or in adhering to its enemies, giving them aid and comfort. No person shall be convicted of treason unless on the testimony of two witnesses to the same overt act, or on confession in open court.

Sec. 15. All penalties shall be proportioned to the nature of the offense, and no conviction shall work corruption of blood or forfeiture of estate; nor shall any person be transported out of the state for any offense committed within the state.

Sec. 16. No bill of attainder, ex post facto law, or law impairing the obligation of contracts, or making any irrevocable grant of special privileges or immunities shall be passed.

Sec. 17. The military shall be in strict subordination to the civil power.

Sec. 18. No soldier shall in time of peace be quartered in any house without the consent of the owner; nor in time of war except in the manner prescribed by law.

Sec. 19. The right of the people peaceably to assemble to consult for the common good, and to petition the government, or any department thereof, shall never be abridged.

Sec. 20. No person shall be imprisoned for debt in any civil action on mesne or final process. (Amended 1998.)

Sec. 21. The property of no person shall be taken or damaged for public use without just compensation therefor.

Sec. 22. All elections shall be free; and there shall be no hindrance or impediment to the right of a qualified voter to exercise the elective franchise.

Sec. 23. In all capital cases, appeal directly to the Supreme Court shall be as a matter of right and shall operate as a supersedeas to stay the execution of the sentence of death until further order of the Supreme Court. In all other cases, criminal or civil, an aggrieved party shall be entitled to one appeal to the appellate court created pursuant to Article V, section 1, of this Constitution or to the Supreme Court as may be provided by law. (Amended 1972, 1990.)

Sec. 24. Repealed 1990.

Sec. 25. There shall be no discrimination between citizens of the United States in respect to the acquisition, ownership, possession, enjoyment or descent of property. The right of aliens in respect to the acquisition, enjoyment and descent of property may be regulated by law. (Amended 1920.)

Sec. 26. This enumeration of rights shall not be construed to impair or deny others, retained by the people, and all powers not herein delegated, remain with the people.

Sec. 27. The English language is hereby declared to be the official language of this state, and all official proceedings, records and publications shall be in such language, and the common school branches shall be taught in said language in public, private, denominational and parochial

schools. (Adopted 1920.)

Sec. 28. (1) A victim of a crime, as shall be defined by law, or his or her guardian or representative shall have: The right to be informed of all criminal court proceedings; the right to be present at trial unless the trial court finds sequestration necessary for a fair trial for the defendant; and the right to be informed of, be present at, and make an oral or written statement at sentencing, parole, pardon, commutation, and conditional release proceedings. This enumeration of certain rights for crime victims shall not be construed to impair or deny others provided by law or retained by crime victims.

(2) The Legislature shall provide by law for the implementation of the rights granted in this section. There shall be no remedies other than as specifically provided by the Legislature for the enforcement of the rights granted by this section.

(3) Nothing in this section shall constitute a basis for error in favor of a defendant in any criminal proceeding, a basis for providing standing to participate as a party to any criminal proceeding, or a basis to contest the disposition of any charge. (Adopted 1996.)

Sec. 29. Only marriage between a man and a woman shall be valid or recognized in Nebraska. The uniting of two persons of the same sex in a civil union, domestic partnership, or other similar same-sex relationship shall not be valid or recognized in Nebraska. (Amended 2000.)

Sec. 30. (1) The State shall not discriminate against, or grant preferential treatment to, any individual or group on the basis of race, sex, color, ethnicity, or national origin in the operation of public employment, public education, or public contracting.

(2) This section shall apply only to action taken after the section's effective date.

(3) Nothing in this section prohibits bona fide qualifications based on sex that are reasonably necessary to the normal operation of public employment, public education, or public contracting.

(4) Nothing in this section shall invalidate any court order or consent decree that is in force as of the effective date of this section.

(5) Nothing in this section prohibits action that must be taken to establish or maintain eligibility for any federal program, if ineligibility would result in a loss of federal funds to the state.

(6) For purposes of this section, state shall include, but not be limited to: (a) the State of Nebraska; (b) any agency, department, office, board, commission, committee, division, unit, branch, bureau, council, or sub-unit of the state; (c) any public institution of higher education; (d) any political subdivision of or within the state; and (e) any government institution or instrumentally of or within the state.

(7) The remedies available for violations of this section shall be the same, regardless of the injured party's race, sex, color, ethnicity, or national origin, as are otherwise available for violations of Nebraska's antidiscrimination law.

(8) This section shall be self executing. If any part or parts of this section are found to be in conflict with federal law or the Constitution of the United States, this section shall be implemented to the maximum extent that federal law and the Constitution of the United States permit. Any provision held invalid shall be severable from the remaining portions of this section. (Adopted 2008).

## ARTICLE II: DISTRIBUTION OF POWERS

Sec. 1. (1) The powers of the government of this state are divided into three distinct departments, the legislative, executive, and judicial, and no person or collection of persons being one of these departments shall exercise any power properly belonging to either of the others except as expressly directed or permitted in this Constitution.

(2) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (1) of this section, supervision of individuals sentenced to probation, released on parole, or enrolled in programs or services established within a court may be undertaken by either the judicial or executive department, or jointly, as provided by the Legislature. (Amended 2006.)

**ARTICLE III: LEGISLATIVE POWER**

Sec. 1. The legislative authority of the state shall be vested in a Legislature consisting of one chamber. The people reserve for themselves the power to propose laws and amendments to the Constitution and to enact or reject the same at the polls, independent of the Legislature, which power shall be called the power of initiative. The people also reserve power at their own option to approve or reject at the polls any act, item, section, or part of any act passed by the Legislature, which power shall be called the power of referendum. (Amended 1912, 1934, 2000.)

Sec. 2. The first power reserved by the people is the initiative whereby laws may be enacted and constitutional amendments adopted by the people independently of the Legislature. This power may be invoked by petition wherein the proposed measure shall be set forth at length. If the petition be for the enactment of a law, it shall be signed by seven percent of the registered voters of the state, and if the petition be for the amendment of the Constitution, the petition therefor shall be signed by ten percent of such registered voters. In all cases the registered voters signing such petition shall be so distributed as to include five percent of the registered voters of each of two-fifths of the counties of the state, and when thus signed, the petition shall be filed with the Secretary of State who shall submit the measure thus proposed to the electors of the state at the first general election held not less than four months after such petition shall have been filed. The same measure, either in form or in essential substance, shall not be submitted to the people by initiative petition, either affirmatively or negatively, more often than once in three years. If conflicting measures submitted to the people at the same election be approved, the one receiving the highest number of affirmative votes shall thereby become law as to all conflicting provisions. The constitutional limitations as to the scope and subject matter of statutes enacted by the Legislature shall apply to those enacted by the initiative. Initiative measures shall contain only one subject. The Legislature shall not amend, repeal, modify, or impair a law enacted by the people by initiative, contemporaneously with the adoption of this initiative measure or at any time thereafter, except upon a vote of at least two-thirds of all the members of the Legislature. (Adopted 1912. Amended 1920, 1988, 1998, 2004.)

Sec. 3. The second power reserved is the referendum which may be invoked, by petition, against any act or part of an act of the Legislature, except those making appropriations for the expense of the state government or a state institution existing at the time of the passage of such act. Petitions invoking the referendum shall be signed by not less than five percent of the registered voters of the state, distributed as required for initiative petitions, and filed in the office of the Secretary of State within ninety days after the Legislature at which the act sought to be referred was passed shall have adjourned sine die or for more than ninety days. Each such petition shall set out the title of the act against which the referendum is invoked and, in addition thereto, when only a portion of the act is sought to be referred, the number of the section or sections or portion of sections of the act designating such portion. No more than one act or portion of an act of the Legislature shall be the subject of each referendum petition. When the referendum is thus invoked, the Secretary of State shall refer the same to the electors for approval or rejection at the first general election to be held not less than thirty days after the filing of such petition.

When the referendum is invoked as to any act or part of act, other than emergency acts or those for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, by petition signed by not less than ten percent of the registered voters of the state distributed as aforesaid, it shall suspend the taking effect of such act or part of act until the same has been approved by the electors of the state. (Adopted 1912. Amended 1920, 1988, 1998.)

Sec. 4. The whole number of votes cast for Governor at the general election next preceding the filing of an initiative or referendum petition shall be the basis on which the number of signatures to such petition shall be computed. The veto power of the Governor shall not extend to measures initiated by or referred to the people. A measure initiated shall become a law or part of the Constitution, as the case may be, when a majority of the votes cast thereon, and not less than thirty-five per cent of the total vote cast at the election at which the same was submitted, are cast in favor thereof, and shall take effect upon proclamation by the Governor which shall be made within ten days after the official canvass of such votes. The vote upon initiative and

referendum measures shall be returned and canvassed in the manner prescribed for the canvass of votes for president. The method of submitting and adopting amendments to the Constitution provided by this section shall be supplementary to the method prescribed in the article of this Constitution, entitled, "Amendments" and the latter shall in no case be construed to conflict herewith. The provisions with respect to the initiative and referendum shall be self-executing, but legislation may be enacted to facilitate their operation. All propositions submitted in pursuance hereof shall be submitted in a non-partisan manner and without any indication or suggestion on the ballot that they have been approved or endorsed by any political party or organization. Only the title or proper descriptive words of measures shall be printed on the ballot and when two or more measures have the same title they shall be numbered consecutively in the order of filing with the Secretary of State and the number shall be followed by the name of the first petitioner on the corresponding petition. (Adopted 1912. Amended 1920.)

Sec. 5. The Legislature shall by law determine the number of members to be elected and divide the state into legislative districts. In the creation of such districts, any county that contains population sufficient to entitle it to two or more members of the Legislature shall be divided into separate and distinct legislative districts, as nearly equal in population as may be and composed of contiguous and compact territory. One member of the Legislature shall be elected from each such district. The basis of apportionment shall be the population excluding aliens, as shown by the next preceding federal census. The Legislature shall redistrict the state after each federal decennial census. In any such redistricting, county lines shall be followed whenever practicable, but other established lines may be followed at the discretion of the Legislature. (Amended 1920, 1934, 1962, 1966, 2000.)

Sec. 6. The Legislature shall consist of not more than fifty members and not less than thirty members. The sessions of the Legislature shall be annual except as otherwise provided by this constitution or as may be otherwise provided by law. (Amended 1920, 1934, 1970.)

Sec. 7. At the general election to be held in November 1964, one-half the members of the Legislature, or as nearly thereto as may be practicable, shall be elected for a term of four years and the remainder for a term of two years, and thereafter all members shall be elected for a term of four years, with the manner of such election to be determined by the Legislature. When the Legislature is redistricted, the members elected prior to the redistricting shall continue in office, and the law providing for such redistricting shall where necessary specify the newly established district which they shall represent for the balance of their term. Each member shall be nominated and elected in a nonpartisan manner and without any indication on the ballot that he or she is affiliated with or endorsed by any political party or organization. Each member of the Legislature shall receive a salary of not to exceed one thousand dollars per month during the term of his or her office. In addition to his or her salary, each member shall receive an amount equal to his or her actual expenses in traveling by the most usual route once to and returning from each regular or special session of the Legislature. Members of the Legislature shall receive no pay nor perquisites other than his or her salary and expenses, and employees of the Legislature shall receive no compensation other than their salary or per diem. (Amended 1886, 1912, 1920, 1934, 1960, 1962, 1966, 1968, 1988.)

Sec. 8. No person shall be eligible to the office of member of the Legislature unless on the date of the general election at which he is elected, or on the date of his appointment he is a registered voter, has attained the age of twenty-one years and has resided within the district from which he is elected for the term of one year next before his election, unless he shall have been absent on the public business of the United States or of this State. And no person elected as aforesaid shall hold his office after he shall have removed from such district. (Amended 1972, 1992, 1994.)<sup>1</sup>

Sec. 9. No person holding office under the authority of the United States, or any lucrative office under the authority of this state, shall be eligible to, or have a seat in the Legislature. No

<sup>1</sup>The changes made to Article III, section 8, of the Constitution of Nebraska by Initiative 408 in 1994 have been omitted because of the decision of the Nebraska Supreme Court in *Duggan v. Beermann*, 249 Neb. 411, 544 N.W.2d 68 (1996).

person elected or appointed to the Legislature shall receive any civil appointment to a state office while holding membership in the Legislature or while the Legislature is in session, and all such appointments shall be void. Except as otherwise provided by law, a member of the Legislature who is elected to any other state or local office prior to the end of his or her term in the Legislature shall resign from the Legislature prior to the commencement of the legislative session during which the term of the state or local office will begin. (Amended 1972, 2000.)

Sec. 10. Beginning with the year 1975, regular sessions of the Legislature shall be held annually, commencing at 10 a.m. on the first Wednesday after the first Monday in January of each year. The duration of regular sessions held shall not exceed ninety legislative days in odd-numbered years unless extended by a vote of four-fifths of all members elected to the Legislature, and shall not exceed sixty legislative days in even-numbered years unless extended by a vote of four-fifths of all members elected to the Legislature. Bills and resolutions under consideration by the Legislature upon adjournment of a regular session held in an odd-numbered year may be considered at the next regular session, as if there had been no such adjournment. The Lieutenant Governor shall preside, but shall vote only when the Legislature is equally divided. A majority of the members elected to the Legislature shall constitute a quorum; the Legislature shall determine the rules of its proceedings and be the judge of the election, returns, and qualifications of its members, shall choose its own officers, including a Speaker to preside when the Lieutenant Governor shall be absent, incapacitated, or shall act as Governor. No member shall be expelled except by a vote of two-thirds of all members elected to the Legislature, and no member shall be twice expelled for the same offense. The Legislature may punish by imprisonment any person not a member thereof who shall be guilty of disrespect to the Legislature by disorderly or contemptuous behavior in its presence, but no such imprisonment shall extend beyond twenty-four hours at one time, unless the person shall persist in such disorderly or contemptuous behavior. (Amended 1934, 1970, 1974.)

Sec. 11. The Legislature shall keep a journal of its proceedings and publish them, except such parts as may require secrecy, and the yeas and nays of the members on any question shall at the desire of anyone of them be entered on the journal. All votes shall be viva voce. The doors of the Legislature and of the committees of the Legislature shall be open, except when the business shall be such as ought to be kept secret. The yeas and nays of each member of any committee of the Legislature shall be recorded and published on any question in committee to advance or to indefinitely postpone any bill. (Amended 1934, 1998.)

Sec. 12. (1) No person shall be eligible to serve as a member of the Legislature for four years next after the expiration of two consecutive terms regardless of the district represented.

(2) Service prior to January 1, 2001, as a member of the Legislature shall not be counted for the purpose of calculating consecutive terms in subsection (1) of this section.

(3) For the purpose of this section, service in office for more than one-half of a term shall be deemed service for a term. (Amended 2000.)

Sec. 13. The style of all bills shall be, Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska, and no law shall be enacted except by bill. No bill shall be passed by the Legislature unless by the assent of a majority of all members elected and the yeas and nays on the question of final passage of any bill shall be entered upon the journal. (Amended 1912, 1920, 1972.)

Sec. 14. Every bill and resolution shall be read by title when introduced, and a printed copy thereof provided for the use of each member. The bill and all amendments thereto shall be printed and presented before the vote is taken upon its final passage and shall be read at large unless three-fifths of all the members elected to the Legislature vote not to read the bill and all amendments at large. No vote upon the final passage of any bill shall be taken until five legislative days after its introduction nor until it has been on file for final reading and passage for at least one legislative day. No bill shall contain more than one subject, and the subject shall be clearly expressed in the title. No law shall be amended unless the new act contains the section or sections as amended and the section or sections so amended shall be repealed. The Lieutenant Governor, or the Speaker if acting as presiding officer, shall sign, in the presence of the Legislature while it is in session and capable of transacting business, all bills and resolutions passed by the Legislature. (Amended 1920, 1934, 1996.)

Sec. 15. Members of the Legislature in all cases except treason, felony or breach of the peace, shall be privileged from arrest during the session of the Legislature, and for fifteen days next before the commencement and after the termination thereof.

Sec. 16. No member of the Legislature or any state officer shall have a conflict of interest, as defined by the Legislature, directly in any contract, with the state or any county or municipality thereof, authorized by any law enacted during the term for which he shall have been elected or appointed, or within one year after the expiration of such term. The Legislature shall prescribe standards and definitions for determining the existence of such conflicts of interest in contracts, and it shall prescribe sanctions for enforcing this section. (Amended 1920, 1968, 1972.)

Sec. 17. The Legislature shall have the sole power of impeachment, but a majority of the members elected must concur therein. Proceedings may be initiated in either a regular session or a special session of the Legislature. Upon the adoption of a resolution of impeachment, which resolution shall give reasonable notice of the acts or omissions alleged to constitute impeachable offenses but need not conform to any particular style, a notice of an impeachment of any officer, other than a Judge of the Supreme Court, shall be forthwith served upon the Chief Justice, by the Clerk of the Legislature, who shall thereupon call a session of the Supreme Court to meet at the Capitol in an expeditious fashion after such notice to try the impeachment. A notice of an impeachment of the Chief Justice or any Judge of the Supreme Court shall be served by the Clerk of the Legislature, upon the clerk of the judicial district within which the Capitol is located, and he or she thereupon shall choose, at random, seven Judges of the District Court in the State to meet within thirty days at the Capitol, to sit as a Court to try such impeachment, which Court shall organize by electing one of its number to preside. The case against the impeached civil officer shall be brought in the name of the Legislature and shall be managed by two senators, appointed by the Legislature, who may make technical or procedural amendments to the articles of impeachment as they deem necessary. The trial shall be conducted in the manner of a civil proceeding and the impeached civil officer shall not be allowed to invoke a privilege against self-incrimination, except as otherwise applicable in a general civil case. No person shall be convicted without the concurrence of two-thirds of the members of the Court of impeachment that clear and convincing evidence exists indicating that such person is guilty of one or more impeachable offenses, but judgment in cases of impeachment shall not extend further than removal from office and disqualification to hold and enjoy any office of honor, profit, or trust, in this State, but the party impeached, whether convicted or acquitted, shall nevertheless be liable to prosecution and punishment according to law. No officer shall exercise his or her official duties after he or she shall have been impeached and notified thereof, until he or she shall have been acquitted. (Amended 1972, 1986.)

Sec. 18. The Legislature shall not pass local or special laws in any of the following cases, that is to say:

For granting divorces.

Changing the names of persons or places.

Laying out, opening altering and working roads or highways.

Vacating roads, Town plats, streets, alleys, and public grounds.

Locating or changing County seats.

Regulating County and Township offices.

Regulating the practice of Courts of Justice.

Regulating the jurisdiction and duties of Justices of the Peace, Police Magistrates and Constables.

Providing for changes of venue in civil and criminal cases.

Incorporating Cities, Towns and Villages, or changing or amending the charter of any Town, City, or Village.

Providing for the election of Officers in Townships, incorporated Towns or Cities.

Summoning or empanelling Grand or Petit Juries.

Providing for the bonding of cities, towns, precincts, school districts or other municipalities.

Providing for the management of Public Schools.

The opening and conducting of any election, or designating the place of voting.  
 The sale or mortgage of real estate belonging to minors, or others under disability.  
 The protection of game or fish.

Chartering or licensing ferries, or toll bridges, remitting fines, penalties or forfeitures, creating, increasing and decreasing fees, percentage or allowances of public officers, during the term for which said officers are elected or appointed.

Changing the law of descent.

Granting to any corporation, association, or individual, the right to lay down railroad tracks, or amending existing charters for such purpose.

Granting to any corporation, association, or individual any special or exclusive privileges, immunity, or franchise whatever; Provided, that notwithstanding any other provisions of this Constitution, the Legislature shall have authority to separately define and classify loans and installment sales, to establish maximum rates within classifications of loans or installment sales which it establishes, and to regulate with respect thereto. In all other cases where a general law can be made applicable, no special law shall be enacted. (Amended 1964.)

Sec. 19. The Legislature shall never grant any extra compensation to any public officer, agent, or servant after the services have been rendered nor to any contractor after the contract has been entered into, except that retirement benefits of retired public officers and employees may be adjusted to reflect changes in the cost of living and wage levels that have occurred subsequent to the date of retirement.

The compensation of any public officer, including any officer whose compensation is fixed by the Legislature, shall not be increased or diminished during his or her term of office, except that when there are members elected or appointed to the Legislature or the judiciary, or officers elected or appointed to a board or commission having more than one member, and the terms of such members commence and end at different times, the compensation of all members of the Legislature, of the judiciary, or of such board or commission may be increased or diminished at the beginning of the full term of any member thereof.

Nothing in this section shall prevent local governing bodies from reviewing and adjusting vested pension benefits periodically as prescribed by ordinance.

The surviving spouse of any retired public officer, agent, or servant, who has retired under a pension plan or system, shall be considered as having pensionable status and shall be entitled to the same benefits which may, at any time, be provided for or available to spouses of other public officers, agents, or servants who have retired under such pension plan or system at a later date, and such benefits shall not be prohibited by the restrictions of this section or of Article XIII, section 3 of the Constitution of Nebraska. (Amended 1920, 1952, 1968, 1972, 1978, 2000.)

Sec. 20. The salt springs, coal, oil, minerals, or other natural resources on or contained in the land belonging to the state shall never be alienated; but provision may be made by law for the leasing or development of the same. (Amended 1920.)

Sec. 21. Lands under control of the state shall never be donated to railroad companies, private corporations or individuals.

Sec. 22. Each Legislature shall make appropriations for the expenses of the Government. And whenever it is deemed necessary to make further appropriations for deficiencies, the same shall require a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to the Legislature. Bills making appropriations for the pay of members and officers of the Legislature, and for the salaries of the officers of the Government, shall contain no provision on any other subject. (Amended 1972.)

Sec. 23. Repealed 1972.

Sec. 24. (1) Except as provided in this section, the Legislature shall not authorize any game of chance or any lottery or gift enterprise when the consideration for a chance to participate involves the payment of money for the purchase of property, services, or a chance or admission ticket or requires an expenditure of substantial effort or time.

(2) The Legislature may authorize and regulate a state lottery pursuant to subsection (3) of this section and other lotteries, raffles, and gift enterprises which are intended solely as business promotions or the proceeds of which are to be used solely for charitable or community betterment

purposes without profit to the promoter of such lotteries, raffles, or gift enterprises.

(3) (a) The Legislature may establish a lottery to be operated and regulated by the State of Nebraska. The proceeds of the lottery shall be appropriated by the Legislature for the costs of establishing and maintaining the lottery and for the following purposes, as directed by the Legislature:

(i) The first five hundred thousand dollars after the payment of prizes and operating expenses shall be transferred to the Compulsive Gamblers Assistance Fund;

(ii) Forty-four and one-half percent of the money remaining after the payment of prizes and operating expenses and the initial transfer to the Compulsive Gamblers Assistance Fund shall be transferred to the Nebraska Environmental Trust Fund to be used as provided in the Nebraska Environmental Trust Act;

(iii) Forty-four and one-half percent of the money remaining after the payment of prizes and operating expenses and the initial transfer to the Compulsive Gamblers Assistance Fund shall be used for education as the Legislature may direct;

(iv) Ten percent of the money remaining after the payment of prizes and operating expenses and the initial transfer to the Compulsive Gamblers Assistance Fund shall be transferred to the Nebraska State Fair Board if the most populous city within the county in which the fair is located provides matching funds equivalent to ten percent of the funds available for transfer. Such matching funds may be obtained from the city and any other private or public entity, except that no portion of such matching funds shall be provided by the state. If the Nebraska State Fair ceases operations, ten percent of the money remaining after the payment of prizes and operating expenses and the initial transfer to the Compulsive Gamblers Assistance Fund shall be transferred to the General Fund; and

(v) One percent of the money remaining after the payment of prizes and operating expenses and the initial transfer to the Compulsive Gamblers Assistance Fund shall be transferred to the Compulsive Gamblers Assistance Fund.

(b) No lottery game shall be conducted as part of the lottery unless the type of game has been approved by a majority of the members of the Legislature.

(4) Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit (a) the enactment of laws providing for the licensing and regulation of wagering on the results of horseraces, wherever run, either within or outside of the state, by the parimutuel method, when such wagering is conducted by licensees within a licensed racetrack enclosure or (b) the enactment of laws providing for the licensing and regulation of bingo games conducted by nonprofit associations which have been in existence for a period of five years immediately preceding the application for license, except that bingo games cannot be conducted by agents or lessees of such associations on a percentage basis. (Amended 1934, 1958, 1962, 1968, 1988, 1992, 2004.)

Sec. 25. No allowance shall be made for the incidental expenses of any state officer except the same be made by general appropriation and upon an account specifying each item. No money shall be drawn from the treasury except in pursuance of a specific appropriation made by law, and on the presentation of a warrant issued as the Legislature may direct, and no money shall be diverted from any appropriation made for any purpose or taken from any fund whatever by resolution. (Amended 1964.)

Sec. 26. No member of the Legislature shall be liable in any civil or criminal action whatever for words spoken in debate.

Sec. 27. No act shall take effect until three calendar months after the adjournment of the session at which it passed, unless in case of emergency, which is expressed in the preamble or body of the act, the Legislature shall by a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected otherwise direct. All laws shall be published within sixty days after the adjournment of each session and distributed among the several counties in such manner as the Legislature may provide. (Amended 1972, 1998)

Sec. 28. Repealed 1934.

Sec. 29. (1). In order to insure continuity of state and local governmental operations in periods of emergency resulting from enemy attack upon the United States, or the imminent threat

thereof, the Legislature shall have the power and the immediate duty, notwithstanding any other provision to the contrary in this Constitution, to provide by law for:

(a) The prompt and temporary succession to the powers and duties of all public offices, of whatever nature and whether filled by election or appointment, the incumbents of which, after an attack, may be or become unavailable or unable to carry on the powers and duties of such offices;

(b) The convening of the Legislature into general or extraordinary session, upon or without call by the Governor, during or after a war or enemy caused disaster occurring in the United States; and, with respect to any such emergency session, the suspension or temporary change of the provisions of this Constitution or of general law relating to the length and purposes of any legislative session or prescribing the specific proportion or number of legislators whose presence or vote is necessary to constitute a quorum or to accomplish any legislative act or function;

(c) The selection and changing from time to time of a temporary state seat of government, of temporary county seats, and of temporary seats of government for other political subdivisions; to be used if made necessary by enemy attack or imminent threat thereof;

(d) The determination, selection, reproduction, preservation, and dispersal of public records necessary to the continuity of governmental operations in the event of enemy attack or imminent threat thereof; and

(e) Such other measures and procedures as may be necessary and proper for insuring the continuity of governmental operations in the event of enemy attack or imminent threat thereof.

(2). In the exercise of the powers hereinbefore conferred, the Legislature shall in all respects conform to the requirements of this Constitution except to the extent that, in the judgment of the Legislature, so to do would be impracticable or would admit of undue delay. (Adopted 1960.)

Sec. 30. The Legislature shall pass all laws necessary to carry into effect the provisions of this constitution. (Amended 1998.)

#### ARTICLE IV: EXECUTIVE

Sec. 1. The executive officers of the state shall be the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of State, Auditor of Public Accounts, State Treasurer, Attorney General, and the heads of such other executive departments as set forth herein or as may be established by law. The Legislature may provide for the placing of the above named officers as heads over such departments of government as it may by law establish.

The Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, Secretary of State, Auditor of Public Accounts, and State Treasurer shall be chosen at the general election held in November 1974, and in each alternate even-numbered year thereafter, for a term of four years and until their successors shall be elected and qualified.

Each candidate for Governor shall select a person to be the candidate for Lieutenant Governor on the general election ballot. In the general election one vote shall be cast jointly for the candidates for Governor and Lieutenant Governor. The Governor shall be ineligible to the office of Governor for four years next after the expiration of two consecutive terms for which he or she was elected.

The records, books, and papers of all executive officers shall be kept at the seat of government. Executive officers shall reside within the State of Nebraska during their respective terms of office. Officers in the executive department of the state shall perform such duties as may be provided by law.

The heads of all executive departments established by law, other than those to be elected as provided herein, shall be appointed by the Governor, with the consent of a majority of all members elected to the Legislature, but officers so appointed may be removed by the Governor. Subject to the provisions of this Constitution, the heads of the various executive or civil departments shall have power to appoint and remove all subordinate employees in their respective departments. (Amended 1920, 1936, 1952, 1958, 1962, 1964, 1966, 1970, 1998, 2000.)

Sec. 2. No person shall be eligible to the office of Governor, or Lieutenant Governor, who shall not have attained the age of thirty years, and who shall not have been for five years next

preceding his election a resident and citizen of this state and a citizen of the United States. None of the appointive officers mentioned in this article shall be eligible to any other state office during the period for which they have been appointed. (Amended 1920, 1962, 1966.)

Sec. 3. The treasurer shall be ineligible to the office of treasurer, for two years next after the expiration of two consecutive terms for which he was elected. (Amended 1992, 1994.)<sup>2</sup>

Sec. 4. The returns of every election for the officers of the executive department shall be sealed up and transmitted by the returning officers to the Secretary of State, directed to the Speaker of the Legislature, who shall immediately after the organization of the Legislature, and before proceeding to other business, open and publish the same in the presence of a majority of the members of the Legislature. The person having the highest number of votes for each of said offices shall be declared duly elected; but if two or more have an equal and the highest number of votes, the Legislature shall choose one of such persons for said office. The conduct of election contests for any of said offices shall be in such manner as may be prescribed by law. (Amended 1960, 1972.)

Sec. 5. A civil officer of this state shall be liable to impeachment for any misdemeanor in office or for any misdemeanor in pursuit of such office. (Amended 2012.)

Sec. 6. The supreme executive power shall be vested in the Governor, who shall take care that the laws be faithfully executed and the affairs of the state efficiently and economically administered. (Amended 1920.)

Sec. 7. The Governor may, at the commencement of each session, and at the close of his term of office and whenever the Legislature may require, give by message to the Legislature information of the condition of the state, and shall recommend such measures as he shall deem expedient. At a time fixed by law, he shall present, by message, a complete itemized budget of the financial requirements of all departments, institutions and agencies of the state and a budget bill to be introduced by the Speaker of the Legislature at the request of the Governor. Said budget bill shall be prepared with such expert assistance and under such regulations as may be required by the Governor. No appropriations shall be made in excess of the recommendation contained in such budget including any amendment the Governor may make thereto unless by three-fifths vote of the Legislature, and such excess so approved shall be subject to veto by the Governor. (Amended 1920, 1964, 1972.)

Sec. 8. The Governor may, on extraordinary occasions, convene the Legislature by proclamation, stating therein the purpose for which they are convened, and the Legislature shall enter upon no business except that for which they were called together.

Sec. 9. Repealed 1934.

Sec. 10. The Governor shall appoint with the approval of a majority of the Legislature, all persons whose offices are established by the Constitution, or which may be created by law, and whose appointment or election is not otherwise by law or herein provided for; and no such person shall be appointed or elected by the Legislature. The Governor shall have power to remove, for cause and after a public hearing, any person whom he may appoint for a term except officers provided for in Article V of the Constitution, and he may declare his office vacant, and fill the same as herein provided as in other cases of vacancy. The Governor shall have power to remove any other person whom he appoints at any time and for any reason. (Amended 1972.)

Sec. 11. If any elected state office created by this Constitution, except offices provided for in Article V of this Constitution, shall be vacated by death, resignation or otherwise, it shall be the duty of the Governor to fill that office by appointment, and the appointee shall hold the office until his successor shall be elected and qualified in such manner as may be provided by law. (Amended 1962, 1972, 1980.)

Sec. 12. If any nonelective state office, except offices provided for in Article V of this Constitution, shall be vacated by death, resignation or otherwise, it shall be the duty of the Governor to fill that office by appointment. If the Legislature is in session, such appointment shall be subject to the

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approval of a majority of the members of the Legislature. If the Legislature is not in session, the Governor shall make a temporary appointment until the next session of the Legislature, at which time a majority of the members of the Legislature shall have the right to approve or disapprove the appointment. All appointees shall hold their office until their successors shall be appointed and qualified. No person after being rejected by the Legislature shall be again nominated for the same office at the same session, unless at request of the Legislature, or be appointed to the same office during the recess or adjournment of the Legislature. (Amended 1972.)

Sec. 13. The Legislature shall provide by law for the establishment of a Board of Parole and the qualifications of its members. Said board, or a majority thereof, shall have power to grant paroles after conviction and judgment, under such conditions as may be prescribed by law, for any offenses committed against the criminal laws of this state except treason and cases of impeachment. The Governor, Attorney General and Secretary of State, sitting as a board, shall have power to remit fines and forfeitures and to grant respites, reprieves, pardons, or commutations in all cases of conviction for offenses against the laws of the state, except treason and cases of impeachment. The Board of Parole may advise the Governor, Attorney General and Secretary of State on the merits of any application for remission, respite, reprieve, pardon or commutation but such advice shall not be binding on them. The Governor shall have power to suspend the execution of the sentence imposed for treason until the case can be reported to the Legislature at its next session, when the Legislature shall either grant a pardon, or commute the sentence or direct the execution, or grant a further reprieve. (Amended 1920, 1968.)

Sec. 14. The Governor shall be commander-in-chief of the military and naval forces of the state (except when they shall be called into the service of the United States) and may call out the same to execute the laws, suppress insurrection, and repel invasion.

Sec. 15. Every bill passed by the Legislature, before it becomes a law, shall be presented to the Governor. If he approves he shall sign it, and thereupon it shall become a law, but if he does not approve or reduces any item or items of appropriations, he shall return it with his objections to the Legislature, which shall enter the objections at large upon its journal, and proceed to reconsider the bill with the objections as a whole, or proceed to reconsider individually the item or items disapproved or reduced. If then three-fifths of the members elected agree to pass the bill with objections it shall become a law, or if three-fifths of the members elected agree to repass any item or items disapproved or reduced, the bill with such repassage shall become a law. In all cases the vote shall be determined by yeas and nays, to be entered upon the journal. Any bill which shall not be returned by the Governor within five days (Sundays excepted) after it shall have been presented to him, shall become a law in like manner as if he had signed it; unless the Legislature by their adjournment prevent its return; in which case it shall be filed, with his objections, in the office of the Secretary of State within five days after such adjournment, or become a law. The Governor may disapprove or reduce any item or items of appropriation contained in bills passed by the Legislature, and the item or items so disapproved shall be stricken therefrom, and the items reduced shall remain as reduced unless the Legislature has reconsidered the item or items disapproved or reduced and has repassed any such item or items over the objection of the Governor by a three-fifths approval of the members elected. (Amended 1972, 1974, 1976.)

Sec. 16. In case of the conviction of the Governor on impeachment, his removal from office, his resignation or his death, the Lieutenant Governor, the Speaker of the Legislature and such other persons designated by law shall in that order be Governor for the remainder of the Governor's term. In case of the death of the Governor-elect, the Lieutenant Governor-elect, the Speaker of the Legislature and such other persons designated by law shall become Governor in that order at the commencement of the Governor-elect's term. If the Governor or the person in line of succession to serve as Governor is absent from the state, or suffering under an inability, the powers and duties of the office of Governor shall devolve in order of precedence until the absence or inability giving rise to the devolution of powers ceases as provided by law. After January 1, 1975, the Lieutenant Governor shall serve on all boards and commissions in lieu of the Governor whenever so designated by the Governor, shall perform such duties as may be delegated him by the Governor, and shall devote his full time to the duties of his office. (Amended 1970, 1972.)

Sec. 17. Repealed 1934.

Sec. 18. Repealed 1972.

Sec. 19. The general management, control and government of all state charitable, mental, reformatory, and penal institutions shall be vested as determined by the Legislature. (Amended 1912, 1920, 1958.)

Sec. 20. There shall be a Public Service Commission, consisting of not less than three nor more than seven members, as the Legislature shall prescribe, whose term of office shall be six years, and whose compensation shall be fixed by the Legislature. Commissioners shall be elected by districts of substantially equal population as the Legislature shall provide. The powers and duties of such commission shall include the regulation of rates, service and general control of common carriers as the Legislature may provide by law. But, in the absence of specific legislation, the commission shall exercise the powers and perform the duties enumerated in this provision. (Adopted 1906. Amended 1962, 1972.)

Sec. 21. Repealed 1972.

Sec. 22. The Legislature shall provide by statute for the keeping of accounts and the reporting by those agencies of the state which are required to administer cash funds not subject to appropriation by the Legislature, and an annual report thereof shall be made to the Governor under oath; and any officer who makes a false report shall be guilty of perjury and punished accordingly. (Amended 1964.)

Sec. 23. All expending agencies of the state as the Legislature may provide shall at least ten days preceding each regular session of the Legislature severally report to the Governor, who shall transmit such reports to the Legislature, together with the reports of the Judges of the Supreme Court of defects in the constitution and laws, and the Governor or the Legislature may at any time require information, in writing, under oath, from the officers of all expending agencies, upon any subject relating to the condition, management and expenses of their respective offices. (Amended 1964.)

Sec. 24. There shall be a seal of the state, which shall be called the "Great Seal of the State of Nebraska," which shall be kept by the Secretary of State and used by him officially as directed by law.

Sec. 25. The officers provided for in this article shall receive such salaries as may be provided by law. Such officers, or such other officers as may be provided for by law, shall not receive for their own use any fees, costs, or interest upon public money in their hands. All fees that may hereafter be payable by law for services performed, or received by an officer provided for in this article, by virtue of his office shall be paid forthwith into the state treasury. (Amended 1920, 1956.)

Sec. 26. All officers of government shall give bond as may be prescribed by law. (Amended 1964.)

Sec. 27. No executive state office other than herein provided shall be created except by a two-thirds majority of all members elected to the Legislature. (Amended 1920, 1972.)

Sec. 28. By January 1, 1997, there shall be a Tax Equalization and Review Commission. The members of the commission shall be appointed by the Governor as provided by law. The commission shall have power to review and equalize assessments of property for taxation within the state and shall have such other powers and perform such other duties as the Legislature may provide. The terms of office and compensation of members of the commission shall be as provided by law.

A Tax Commissioner shall be appointed by the Governor with the approval of the Legislature. The Tax Commissioner may have jurisdiction over the administration of the revenue laws of the state and such other duties and powers as provided by law. The Tax Commissioner shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor. (Adopted 1920. Amended 1996.)

## ARTICLE V: JUDICIAL

Sec. 1. The judicial power of the state shall be vested in a Supreme Court, an appellate court, district courts, county courts, in and for each county, with one or more judges for each county or with one judge for two or more counties, as the Legislature shall provide, and such

other courts inferior to the Supreme Court as may be created by law. In accordance with rules established by the Supreme Court and not in conflict with other provisions of this Constitution and laws governing such matters, general administrative authority over all courts in this state shall be vested in the Supreme Court and shall be exercised by the Chief Justice. The Chief Justice shall be the executive head of the courts and may appoint an administrative director thereof. (Amended 1920, 1970, 1990.)

Sec. 2. The Supreme Court shall consist of seven judges, one of whom shall be the Chief Justice. A majority of the judges shall be necessary to constitute a quorum. A majority of the members sitting shall have authority to pronounce a decision except in cases involving the constitutionality of an act of the Legislature. No legislative act shall be held unconstitutional except by the concurrence of five judges. The Supreme Court shall have jurisdiction in all cases relating to the revenue, civil cases in which the state is a party, mandamus, quo warranto, habeas corpus, election contests involving state officers other than members of the Legislature, and such appellate jurisdiction as may be provided by law. The Legislature may provide that any judge of the Supreme Court or judge of the appellate court created pursuant to Article V, section 1, of this Constitution who has retired may be called upon for temporary duty by the Supreme Court. Whenever necessary for the prompt submission and determination of causes, the Supreme Court may appoint judges of the district court or the appellate court to act as associate judges of the Supreme Court, sufficient in number, with the judges of the Supreme Court, to constitute two divisions of the court of five judges in each division. Whenever judges of the district court or the appellate court are so acting, the court shall sit in two divisions, and four of the judges thereof shall be necessary to constitute a quorum. Judges of the district court or the appellate court so appointed shall serve during the pleasure of the court and shall have all the powers of judges of the Supreme Court. The Chief Justice shall make assignments of judges to the divisions of the court, preside over the division of which he or she is a member, and designate the presiding judge of the other division. The judges of the Supreme Court, sitting without division, shall hear and determine all cases involving the constitutionality of a statute and all appeals involving capital cases and may review any decision rendered by a division of the court. In such cases, in the event of the disability or disqualification by interest or otherwise of any of the judges of the Supreme Court, the court may appoint judges of the district court or the appellate court to sit temporarily as judges of the Supreme Court, sufficient to constitute a full court of seven judges. Judges of the district court or the appellate court shall receive no additional salary by virtue of their appointment and service as herein provided, but they shall be reimbursed their necessary traveling and hotel expenses. (Amended 1908, 1920, 1968, 1970, 1990.)

Sec. 3. At least two terms of the supreme court shall be held each year, at the seat of government.

Sec. 4. The Chief Justice and the Judges of the Supreme Court shall be selected as provided in this Article V. They may reside at the place where the court is located but shall reside within the state, and no Chief Justice or Judge of the Supreme Court shall be deemed thereby to have lost his or her residence at the place from which he or she was selected. The offices of the Chief Justice and Judges of the Supreme Court shall be at the place where the court is located. (Amended 1908, 1920, 1962, 1998.)

Sec. 5. The Legislature shall divide the state into six contiguous and compact districts of approximately equal population, which shall be numbered from one to six, which shall be known as the Supreme Court judicial districts. The Legislature shall redistrict the state after each federal decennial census. In any such redistricting, county lines shall be followed whenever practicable, but other established lines may be followed at the discretion of the Legislature. Such districts shall not be changed except upon the concurrence of a majority of the members of the Legislature. Whenever the Supreme Court is redistricted, the judges serving prior to the redistricting shall continue in office, and the law providing for such redistricting shall where necessary specify the newly established districts which they shall represent for the balance of their terms. (Amended 1908, 1912, 1920, 1962, 1970.)

Sec. 6. The Chief Justice shall preside at all terms and sittings of the supreme court, and

in his absence or disability the judges present shall select one of their number chief justice pro tempore. (Amended 1908, 1920.)

Sec. 7. No person shall be eligible to the office of Chief Justice or Judge of the Supreme Court unless he shall be at least thirty years of age, and a citizen of the United States, and shall have resided in this state at least three years next preceding his selection; nor, in the case of a Judge of the Supreme Court selected from a Supreme Court judicial district, unless he shall be a resident and elector of the district from which selected. (Amended 1920, 1962.)

Sec. 8. The Supreme Court shall appoint such staff as may be needed for the proper dispatch of the business of the court. The court shall prepare and recommend to each session of the Legislature a budget of the estimated expenses of the court. The copyright of the state reports shall forever remain the property of the state. (Amended 1920, 1972, 1990.)

Sec. 9. The district courts shall have both chancery and common law jurisdiction, and such other jurisdiction as the Legislature may provide; and the judges thereof may admit persons charged with felony to a plea of guilty and pass such sentence as may be prescribed by law.

Sec. 10. The state shall be divided into district court judicial districts. Until otherwise provided by law, the boundaries of the judicial districts and the number of judges of the district courts shall remain as now fixed. The judges of the district courts shall be selected from the respective districts as provided in this Article V. (Amended 1920, 1962.)

Sec. 11. The Legislature may change the number of judges of the district courts and alter the boundaries of judicial districts. Such change in number or alterations in boundaries shall not vacate the office of any judge. Such districts shall be formed of compact territory bounded by county lines. (Amended 1920, 1972.)

Sec. 12. The judges of the district court may hold court for each other and shall do so when required by law or when ordered by the Supreme Court. The Legislature may provide that any judge of the district court who has retired may be called upon for temporary duty by the Supreme Court. (Amended 1920, 1970.)

Sec. 13. The chief justice, the judges of the supreme court and the judges of the district court shall receive such salaries as may be provided by law. (Amended 1908, 1920.)

Sec. 14. No judge of the Supreme or district courts shall act as attorney or counsellor at law in any manner whatsoever. No judge shall practice law in any court in any matter arising in or growing out of any proceedings in his own court. (Amended 1920, 1970.)

Sec. 15 to 18. Repealed 1970.

Sec. 19. The organization, jurisdiction, powers, proceedings, and practice of all courts of the same class or grade, so far as regulated by law and the force and effect of the proceedings, judgments and decrees of such courts, severally, shall be uniform. (Amended 1920.)

Sec. 20. All officers provided for in this Article shall hold their offices until their successors shall be qualified and they shall respectively reside in the district or county from which they shall be selected. All officers, when not otherwise provided for in this Article, shall perform such duties and receive such compensation as may be prescribed by law. (Amended 1920, 1962, 1970.)

Sec. 21. (1) In the case of any vacancy in the Supreme Court or in any district court or in such other court or courts made subject to this provision by law, such vacancy shall be filled by the Governor from a list of at least two nominees presented to him by the appropriate judicial nominating commission. If the Governor shall fail to make an appointment from the list within sixty days from the date it is presented to him, the appointment shall be made by the Chief Justice or the acting Chief Justice of the Supreme Court from the same list.

(2) In all other cases, any vacancy shall be filled as provided by law.

(3) At the next general election following the expiration of three years from the date of appointment of any judge under the provisions of subsection (1) of this section and every six years thereafter as long as such judge retains office, each Justice or Judge of the Supreme Court or district court or such other court or courts as the Legislature shall provide shall have his right to remain in office subject to approval or rejection by the electorate in such manner as the Legislature shall provide; *Provided*, that every judge holding or elected to an office described in subsection (1) of this section on the effective date of this amendment whether by election or appointment, upon

qualification shall be deemed to have been selected and to have once received the approval of the electorate as herein provided, and shall be required to submit his right to continue in office to the approval or rejection of the electorate at the general election next preceding the expiration of the term of office for which such judge was elected or appointed, and every six years thereafter. In the case of the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, the electorate of the entire state shall vote on the question of approval or rejection. In the case of any Judge of the Supreme Court, other than the Chief Justice, and any judge of the district court or any other court made subject to subsection (1) of this section, the electorate of the district from which such judge was selected shall vote on the question of such approval or rejection.

(4) There shall be a judicial nominating commission for the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court and one for each judicial district of the Supreme Court and of the district court and one for each area or district served by any other court made subject to subsection (1) of this section by law. Each judicial nominating commission shall consist of nine members, one of whom shall be a Judge of the Supreme Court who shall be designated by the Governor and shall act as chairman, but shall not be entitled to vote. The members of the bar of the state residing in the area from which the nominees are to be selected shall designate four of their number to serve as members of said commission, and the Governor shall appoint four citizens, not admitted to practice law before the courts of the state, from among the residents of the same geographical area to serve as members of said commission. Not more than four of such voting members shall be of the same political party. The terms of office for members of each judicial nominating commission shall be staggered and shall be fixed by the Legislature. The nominees of any such commission cannot include a member of such commission or any person who has served as a member of such commission within a period of two years immediately preceding his nomination or for such additional period as the Legislature shall provide. The names of candidates shall be released to the public prior to a public hearing.

(5) Members of the nominating commission shall vote for the nominee of their choice by roll call. Each candidate must receive a majority of the voting members of the nominating commission to have his name submitted to the Governor. (Amended 1920, 1962, 1972.)

Sec. 22. The state may sue and be sued, and the Legislature shall provide by law in what manner and in what courts suits shall be brought.

Sec. 23. The several judges of the courts of record shall have such jurisdiction at chambers as may be provided by law.

Sec. 24. All process shall run in the name of "The State of Nebraska," and all prosecutions shall be carried on in the name of "The State of Nebraska."

Sec. 25. For the effectual administration of justice and the prompt disposition of judicial proceedings, the supreme court may promulgate rules of practice and procedure for all courts, uniform as to each class of courts, and not in conflict with laws governing such matters. To the same end, the court may, and when requested by the Legislature by resolution shall, certify to the Legislature its conclusions as to desirable amendments or changes in the general laws governing such practice and proceedings. (Adopted 1920. Amended 2000.)

Sec. 26. If the foregoing amendment shall be adopted by the electors, all existing courts which are not in the foregoing amendment specifically enumerated and concerning which no other provision is herein made, shall continue in existence and exercise their present jurisdiction, and the judges thereof shall receive their present compensation, until otherwise provided by law; and such judges or appointees to fill vacancies shall hold their offices until their successors shall be elected and qualified. (Adopted 1920.)

Sec. 27. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 9 of this Article, the Legislature may establish courts to be known as juvenile courts, with such jurisdiction and powers as the Legislature may provide. The term, qualification, compensation, and method of appointment or election of the judges of such courts, and the rules governing proceedings therein, may be fixed by the Legislature. The state shall be divided into juvenile court judicial districts that correspond to district court judicial districts until otherwise provided by law. No such court shall be established or afterwards abolished in any juvenile court judicial district unless approved by a majority of those

voting on the issue. (Adopted 1958. Amended 1972.)

Sec. 28. The Legislature shall provide for a Commission on Judicial Qualifications consisting of: (1) Three judges, including one district court judge, one county court judge, and one judge of any other court inferior to the Supreme Court as now exists or may hereafter be created by law, all of whom shall be appointed by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court; (2) three members of the Nebraska State Bar Association who shall have practiced law in this state for at least ten years and who shall be appointed by the Executive Council of the Nebraska State Bar Association; (3) three citizens, none of whom shall be a Justice or Judge of the Supreme Court or judge of any court, active or retired, nor a member of the Nebraska State Bar Association, and who shall be appointed by the Governor; and (4) the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, who shall serve as its chairperson. (Adopted 1966. Amended 1980.)

Sec. 29. The commission shall act by a vote of the majority of its members and no action of the commission shall be valid unless concurred in by the majority of its members. (Adopted 1966. Amended 1980.)

Sec. 30. (1) A Justice or Judge of the Supreme Court or judge of any court of this state may be reprimanded, disciplined, censured, suspended without pay for a definite period of time, not to exceed six months, or removed from office for (a) willful misconduct in office, (b) willful disregard of or failure to perform his or her duties, (c) habitual intemperance, (d) conviction of a crime involving moral turpitude, (e) disbarment as a member of the legal profession licensed to practice law in the State of Nebraska, or (f) conduct prejudicial to the administration of justice that brings the judicial office into disrepute, or he or she may be retired for physical or mental disability seriously interfering with the performance of his or her duties if such disability is determined to be permanent or reasonably likely to become permanent. Any citizen of the State of Nebraska may request the Commission on Judicial Qualifications to consider the qualifications of any Justice or Judge of the Supreme Court or other judge, and in such event the commission shall make such investigation as the commission deems necessary and shall, upon a finding of probable cause, reprimand such Justice or Judge of the Supreme Court or other judge or order a formal open hearing to be held before it concerning the reprimand, discipline, censure, suspension, removal, or retirement of such Justice or Judge of the Supreme Court or other judge. In the alternative or in addition, the commission may request the Supreme Court to appoint one or more special masters who shall be judges of courts of record to hold a formal open hearing to take evidence in any such matter, and to report to the commission. If, after formal open hearing, or after considering the record and report of the masters, the commission finds that the charges are established by clear and convincing evidence, it shall recommend to the Supreme Court that the Justice or Judge of the Supreme Court or other judge involved shall be reprimanded, disciplined, censured, suspended without pay for a definite period of time not to exceed six months, removed, or retired as the case may be.

(2) The Supreme Court shall review the record of the proceedings and in its discretion may permit the introduction of additional evidence. The Supreme Court shall make such determination as it finds just and proper, and may order the reprimand, discipline, censure, suspension, removal, or retirement of such Justice or Judge of the Supreme Court or other judge, or may wholly reject the recommendation. Upon an order for retirement, the Justice or Judge of the Supreme Court or other judge shall thereby be retired with the same rights and privileges as if he or she had retired pursuant to statute. Upon an order for removal, the Justice or Judge of the Supreme Court or other judge shall be removed from office, his or her salary shall cease from the date of such order, and he or she shall be ineligible for judicial office. Upon an order for suspension, the Justice or Judge of the Supreme Court or other judge shall draw no salary and shall perform no judicial functions during the period of suspension. Suspension shall not create a vacancy in the office of Justice or Judge of the Supreme Court or other judge.

(3) Upon order of the Supreme Court, a Justice or Judge of the Supreme Court or other judge shall be disqualified from acting as a Justice or Judge of the Supreme Court or other judge, without loss of salary, while there is pending (a) an indictment or information charging him or her in the United States with a crime punishable as a felony under Nebraska or federal law or (b)

a recommendation to the Supreme Court by the Commission on Judicial Qualifications for his or her removal or retirement.

(4) In addition to the procedure set forth in subsections (1) and (2) of this section, on recommendation of the Commission on Judicial Qualifications or on its own motion, the Supreme Court (a) shall remove a Justice or Judge of the Supreme Court or other judge from office when in any court in the United States such justice or judge pleads guilty or no contest to a crime punishable as a felony under Nebraska or federal law, and (b) may suspend a Justice or Judge of the Supreme Court or other judge from office without salary when in any court in the United States such justice or judge is found guilty of a crime punishable as a felony under Nebraska or federal law or of any other crime that involves moral turpitude. If his or her conviction is reversed, suspension shall terminate and he or she shall be paid his or her salary for the period of suspension. If he or she is suspended and his or her conviction becomes final the Supreme Court shall remove him or her from office.

(5) All papers filed with and proceedings before the commission or masters appointed by the Supreme Court pursuant to this section prior to a reprimand or formal open hearing shall be confidential. The filing of papers with and the testimony given before the commission or masters or the Supreme Court shall be deemed a privileged communication. When the Commission on Judicial Qualifications determines that disciplinary action is warranted, whether it be a reprimand or otherwise, the Commission on Judicial Qualifications shall issue one or more short announcements confirming that a complaint has been filed; stating the subject and nature of the complaint, the disciplinary action recommended or reprimand issued, or the date of the hearing; clarifying the procedural aspects; and reciting the right of a judge to a fair hearing.

When the Commission on Judicial Qualifications determines that disciplinary action is not warranted, and the existence of any investigation or complaint has become publicly known, the judge against whom a complaint has been filed or investigation commenced may waive the confidentiality of papers and proceedings under this subsection.

The Supreme Court shall by rule provide for procedure under this section before the commission, the masters, and the Supreme Court.

(6) No Justice or Judge of the Supreme Court or other judge shall participate, as a member of the commission, or as a master, or as a member of the Supreme Court, in any proceedings involving his or her own reprimand, discipline, censure, suspension, removal, or retirement. (Adopted 1966, 1980, 1984.)

Sec. 31. These amendments are alternative to and cumulative with the methods of removal of Justices and judges provided in Article III, section 17, and Article IV, section 5, of this Constitution, and any other provision of law relating to the methods and manner of the removal of Justices, Judges, and judges of the courts of this state. (Adopted 1966.)

## ARTICLE VI: SUFFRAGE

Sec. 1. Every citizen of the United States who has attained the age of eighteen years on or before the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November and has resided within the state and the county and voting precinct for the terms provided by law shall, except as provided in section 2 of this article, be an elector for the calendar year in which such citizen has attained the age of eighteen years and for all succeeding calendar years. (Amended 1910, 1918, 1920, 1970, 1972, 1988.)

Sec. 2. No person shall be qualified to vote who is non compos mentis, or who has been convicted of treason or felony under the laws of the state or of the United States, unless restored to civil rights.

Sec. 3. Every elector in the military or naval service of the United States or of this state may exercise the right of suffrage at such place and under such regulations as may be provided by law. (Amended 1920.)

Sec. 4. Repealed 1972.

Sec. 5. Electors shall in all cases, except treason, felony, or breach of the peace, be privileged from arrest during their attendance at elections, and going to and returning from the same. (Amended 1972.)

Sec. 6. All votes shall be by ballot or by other means authorized by the Legislature whereby the vote and the secrecy of the elector's vote will be preserved. (Amended 1972.)

### ARTICLE VII: EDUCATION

Sec. 1. The Legislature shall provide for the free instruction in the common schools of this state of all persons between the ages of five and twenty-one years. The Legislature may provide for the education of other persons in educational institutions owned and controlled by the state or a political subdivision thereof. (Amended 1940, 1952, 1954, 1970, 1972.)

Sec. 2. The State Department of Education shall be comprised of a State Board of Education and a Commissioner of Education. The State Department of Education shall have general supervision and administration of the school system of the state and of such other activities as the Legislature may direct. (Amended 1972.)

Sec. 3. The State Board of Education shall be composed of eight members, who shall be elected from eight districts of substantially equal population as provided by the Legislature. Their term of office shall be for four years each. Their duties and powers shall be prescribed by the Legislature, and they shall receive no compensation, but shall be reimbursed their actual expense incurred in the performance of their duties. The members of the State Board of Education shall not be actively engaged in the educational profession and they shall be elected on a nonpartisan ballot. (Amended 1972.)

Sec. 4. The State Board of Education shall appoint and fix the compensation of the Commissioner of Education, who shall be the executive officer of the State Board of Education and the administrative head of the State Department of Education, and who shall have such powers and duties as the Legislature may direct. The board shall appoint all employees of the State Department of Education on the recommendation of the Commissioner of Education. (Amended 1966, 1972.)

Sec. 5. (1) Except as provided in subsections (2) and (3) of this section, all fines, penalties, and license money arising under the general laws of the state, except fines and penalties for violation of laws prohibiting the overloading of vehicles used upon the public roads and highways of this state, shall belong and be paid over to the counties respectively where the same may be levied or imposed, and all fines, penalties, and license money arising under the rules, bylaws, or ordinances of cities, villages, precincts, or other municipal subdivision less than a county shall belong and be paid over to the same respectively. All such fines, penalties, and license money shall be appropriated exclusively to the use and support of the common schools in the respective subdivisions where the same may accrue, except that all fines and penalties for violation of laws prohibiting the overloading of vehicles used upon the public roads and highways shall be placed as follows: Seventy-five per cent in a fund for state highways and twenty-five per cent to the county general fund where the fine or penalty is paid.

(2) Fifty per cent of all money forfeited or seized pursuant to enforcement of the drug laws shall belong and be paid over to the counties for drug enforcement purposes as the Legislature may provide.

(3) Law enforcement agencies may use conveyances forfeited pursuant to enforcement of the drug laws as the Legislature may provide. Upon the sale of such conveyances, the proceeds shall be appropriated exclusively to the use and support of the common schools as provided in subsection (1) of this section. (Amended 1956, 1984.)

Sec. 6. No lands now owned or hereafter acquired by the state for educational purposes shall be sold except at public auction under such conditions as the Legislature shall provide. The general management of all lands set apart for educational purposes shall be vested, under the direction of the Legislature, in a board of five members to be known as the Board of Educational Lands and Funds. The members shall be appointed by the Governor, subject to the approval of the Legislature, with such qualifications and for such terms and compensation as the Legislature may provide. (Amended 1972.)

Sec. 7. The following are hereby declared to be perpetual funds for common school purposes, including early childhood educational purposes operated by or distributed through the common

schools, of which the annual interest or income only can be appropriated, to wit:

First. Such percent as has been, or may hereafter be, granted by Congress on the sale of lands in this state.

Second. All money arising from the sale or leasing of sections number sixteen and thirty-six in each township in this state, and the lands selected, or that may be selected, in lieu thereof.

Third. The proceeds of all lands that have been, or may hereafter be, granted to this state, where by the terms and conditions of such grant the same are not to be otherwise appropriated.

Fourth. The net proceeds of lands and other property and effects that may come to this state, by escheat or forfeiture, or from unclaimed dividends, or distributive shares of the estates of deceased persons.

Fifth. All other property of any kind now belonging to the perpetual fund. (Amended 1920, 1972, 2006.)

Sec. 8. All funds belonging to the state for common school purposes, including early childhood educational purposes operated by or distributed through the common schools, the interest and income whereof only are to be used, shall be deemed trust funds. Such funds with the interest and income thereof are hereby solemnly pledged to the purposes for which they are granted and set apart and shall not be transferred to any other fund for other uses. The state shall supply any net aggregate losses thereof realized at the close of each calendar year that may in any manner accrue. Notwithstanding any other provisions in this Constitution, such funds shall be invested as the Legislature may by statute provide. (Amended 1920, 1972, 2006.)

Sec. 9. (1) The following funds shall be exclusively used for the support and maintenance of the common schools in each school district in the state or for early childhood education operated by or distributed through the common schools as provided in subsection (3) of this section, as the Legislature shall provide:

(a) Income arising from the perpetual funds;

(b) The income from the unsold school lands, except that costs of administration shall be deducted from the income before it is so applied;

(c) All other grants, gifts, and devises that have been or may hereafter be made to the state which are not otherwise appropriated by the terms of the grant, gift, or devise; and

(d) Such other support as the Legislature may provide.

(2) No distribution or appropriation shall be made to any school district for the year in which school is not maintained for the minimum term required by law.

(3)(a) An early childhood education endowment fund shall be created for the purpose of supporting early childhood education in this state as provided by the Legislature.

(b) An amount equal to forty million dollars of the funds belonging to the state for common school and early childhood educational purposes operated by or distributed through the common schools described in Article VII, section 7, of this Constitution shall be allocated for the early childhood education endowment fund.

(c) Only interest or income on such early childhood education endowment fund may be appropriated as provided by the Legislature for the benefit of the common schools and for the exclusive purpose of supporting early childhood education in this state.

(d) For purposes of Article VII of this Constitution, early childhood education means programs operated by or distributed through the common schools promoting development and learning for children from birth to kindergarten-entrance age.

(e) If the annual income from twenty million dollars of private funding is not irrevocably committed by July 1, 2011, to the use of the early childhood education endowment fund, then the forty-million-dollar allocation pursuant to subdivision (3)(b) of this section may revert to the use of the common schools as the Legislature shall determine. (Amended 1908, 1966, 1970, 1972, 2006.)

Sec. 10. The general government of the University of Nebraska shall, under the direction of the Legislature, be vested in a board of not less than six nor more than eight regents to be designated the Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska, who shall be elected from and

by districts as herein provided and three students of the University of Nebraska who shall serve as nonvoting members. Such nonvoting student members shall consist of the student body president of the University of Nebraska at Lincoln, the student body president of the University of Nebraska at Omaha, and the student body president of the University of Nebraska Medical Center. The terms of office of elected members shall be for six years each. The terms of office of student members shall be for the period of service as student body president. Their duties and powers shall be prescribed by law; and they shall receive no compensation, but may be reimbursed their actual expenses incurred in the discharge of their duties.

The Legislature shall divide the state, along county lines, into as many compact regent districts, as there are regents provided by the Legislature, of approximately equal population, which shall be numbered consecutively.

The Legislature shall redistrict the state after each federal decennial census. Such districts shall not be changed except upon the concurrence of a majority of the members of the Legislature. In any such redistricting, county lines shall be followed whenever practicable, but other established lines may be followed at the discretion of the Legislature. Whenever the state is so redistricted the members elected prior to the redistricting shall continue in office, and the law providing for such redistricting shall where necessary specify the newly established district which they shall represent for the balance of their term. (Amended 1920, 1968, 1974.)

Sec. 11. Notwithstanding any other provision in the Constitution, appropriation of public funds shall not be made to any school or institution of learning not owned or exclusively controlled by the state or a political subdivision thereof; *Provided*, that the Legislature may provide that the state or any political subdivision thereof may contract with institutions not wholly owned or controlled by the state or any political subdivision to provide for educational or other services for the benefit of children under the age of twenty-one years who are handicapped, as that term is from time to time defined by the Legislature, if such services are nonsectarian in nature.

All public schools shall be free of sectarian instruction.

The state shall not accept money or property to be used for sectarian purposes; *Provided*, that the Legislature may provide that the state may receive money from the federal government and distribute it in accordance with the terms of any such federal grants, but no public funds of the state, any political subdivision, or any public corporation may be added thereto.

A religious test or qualification shall not be required of any teacher or student for admission or continuance in any school or institution supported in whole or in part by public funds or taxation. (Amended 1920, 1972, 1976.)<sup>3</sup>

Sec. 12. The Legislature may provide by law for the establishment of a school or schools for the safe keeping, education, employment and reformation of all children under the age of eighteen years, who, for want of proper parental care, or other cause, are growing up in mendicancy or crime. (Amended 1920.)

Sec. 13. The general government of the state colleges as now existing, and such other state colleges as may be established by law, shall be vested, under the direction of the Legislature, in a board of seven members to be styled as designated by the Legislature, six of whom shall be appointed by the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Legislature, two each for a term of two, four, and six years, and two each biennium thereafter for a term of six years, and the Commissioner of Education shall be a member *ex officio*. The duties and powers of the board shall be prescribed by law, and the members thereof shall receive no compensation for the performance of their duties, but may be reimbursed their actual expenses incurred therein. (Adopted 1920. Amended 1952, 1968.)

Sec. 14. On January 1, 1992, there shall be established the Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education which shall, under the direction of the Legislature, be vested with the authority for the coordination of public postsecondary educational institutions. Public postsecondary educational institutions shall include each postsecondary educational campus or institution which is governed by the Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska, the Board of Trustees

<sup>3</sup>Pursuant to *Cunningham v. Exon*, 207 Neb. 513, 300 N.W.2d 6, the third paragraph in Article VII, section 11, has been reinstated.

of the Nebraska State Colleges, any board or boards established for the community colleges, or any other governing board for any other public postsecondary educational institution which may be established by the Legislature.

Coordination shall mean:

(1) Authority to adopt, and revise as needed, a comprehensive statewide plan for postsecondary education which shall include (a) definitions of the role and mission of each public postsecondary educational institution within any general assignments of role and mission as may be prescribed by the Legislature and (b) plans for facilities which utilize tax funds designated by the Legislature;

(2) Authority to review, monitor, and approve or disapprove each public postsecondary educational institution's programs and capital construction projects which utilize tax funds designated by the Legislature in order to provide compliance and consistency with the comprehensive plan and to prevent unnecessary duplication; and

(3) Authority to review and modify, if needed to promote compliance and consistency with the comprehensive statewide plan and prevent unnecessary duplication, the budget requests of the Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska, the Board of Trustees of the Nebraska State Colleges, any board or boards established for the community colleges, or any other governing board for any other public postsecondary educational institution which may be established by the Legislature.

The Legislature may provide the commission with additional powers and duties related to postsecondary education as long as such powers and duties do not invade the governance and management authority of the Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska and the Board of Trustees of the Nebraska State Colleges as provided in the Constitution of Nebraska, Article VII, sections 10 and 13. The Legislature may provide that coordination of the community colleges by the commission pursuant to this section may be conducted through a board or association representing all the community colleges.

Nothing in this section providing for statewide coordination shall limit or require the use of property tax revenue by and for community colleges.

The commission shall consist of eleven members, residents of the state or the districts for which appointed, who shall be appointed by the Governor with the approval of a majority of the Legislature. Six of the members shall be chosen from six districts of approximately equal population and five shall be chosen on a statewide basis.

The terms of the members of the commission shall be six years or until a successor is qualified and takes office, except that of the members initially appointed, four members shall serve for terms of two years and four members shall serve for terms of four years. The members of the commission shall receive no compensation for the performance of their duties but may be reimbursed their actual and necessary expenses. (Adopted 1990.)

Sec. 15. Omitted.<sup>4</sup>

Sec. 16 and 17. Repealed 1972.

## ARTICLE VIII: REVENUE

Sec. 1. The necessary revenue of the state and its governmental subdivisions shall be raised by taxation in such manner as the Legislature may direct. Notwithstanding Article I, section 16, Article III, section 18, or Article VIII, section 4, of this Constitution or any other provision of this Constitution to the contrary: (1) Taxes shall be levied by valuation uniformly and proportionately upon all real property and franchises as defined by the Legislature except as otherwise provided in or permitted by this Constitution; (2) tangible personal property, as defined by the Legislature, not exempted by this Constitution or by legislation, shall all be taxed at depreciated cost using the same depreciation method with reasonable class lives, as determined by the Legislature, or shall all be taxed by valuation uniformly and proportionately; (3) the Legislature may provide for a different method of taxing motor vehicles and may also establish a separate class of motor vehicles

<sup>4</sup>Article VII, section 15, of the Constitution of Nebraska, added by Initiative 408 in 1994, has been omitted because of the decision of the Nebraska Supreme Court in *Duggan v. Beermann*, 249 Neb. 411, 544 N.W.2d 68 (1996).

consisting of those owned and held for resale by motor vehicle dealers which shall be taxed in the manner and to the extent provided by the Legislature and may also establish a separate class for trucks, trailers, semitrailers, truck-tractors, or combinations thereof, consisting of those owned by residents and nonresidents of this state, and operating in interstate commerce, and may provide reciprocal and proportionate taxation of such vehicles. The tax proceeds from motor vehicles taxed in each county shall be allocated to the county and the cities, villages, and school districts of such county; (4) the Legislature may provide that agricultural land and horticultural land, as defined by the Legislature, shall constitute a separate and distinct class of property for purposes of taxation and may provide for a different method of taxing agricultural land and horticultural land which results in values that are not uniform and proportionate with all other real property and franchises but which results in values that are uniform and proportionate upon all property within the class of agricultural land and horticultural land; (5) the Legislature may enact laws to provide that the value of land actively devoted to agricultural or horticultural use shall for property tax purposes be that value which such land has for agricultural or horticultural use without regard to any value which such land might have for other purposes or uses; (6) the Legislature may prescribe standards and methods for the determination of the value of real property at uniform and proportionate values; (7) in furtherance of the purposes for which such a law of the United States has been adopted, whenever there exists a law of the United States which is intended to protect a specifically designated type, use, user, or owner of property or franchise from discriminatory state or local taxation, such property or franchise shall constitute a separate class of property or franchise under the laws of the State of Nebraska, and such property or franchise may not be taken into consideration in determining whether taxes are levied by valuation uniformly or proportionately upon any property or franchise, and the Legislature may enact laws which statutorily recognize such class and which tax or exempt from taxation such class of property or franchise in such manner as it determines; and (8) the Legislature may provide that livestock shall constitute a separate and distinct class of property for purposes of taxation and may further provide for reciprocal and proportionate taxation of livestock located in this state for only part of a year. Each actual property tax rate levied for a governmental subdivision shall be the same for all classes of taxed property and franchises. Taxes uniform as to class of property or the ownership or use thereof may be levied by valuation or otherwise upon classes of intangible property as the Legislature may determine, and such intangible property held in trust or otherwise for the purpose of funding pension, profit-sharing, or other employee benefit plans as defined by the Legislature may be declared exempt from taxation. Taxes other than property taxes may be authorized by law. Existing revenue laws shall continue in effect until changed by the Legislature. (Amended 1920, 1952, 1954, 1960, 1964, 1972, 1978, 1984, 1990, 1992, 1998.)

Sec. 1A. The state shall be prohibited from levying a property tax for state purposes. (Adopted 1954. Amended 1966.)

Sec. 1B. When an income tax is adopted by the Legislature, the Legislature may adopt an income tax law based upon the laws of the United States. (Adopted 1966.)

Sec. 2. Notwithstanding Article I, section 16, Article III, section 18, or Article VIII, section 1 or 4, of this Constitution or any other provision of this Constitution to the contrary: (1) The property of the state and its governmental subdivisions shall constitute a separate class of property and shall be exempt from taxation to the extent such property is used by the state or governmental subdivision for public purposes authorized to the state or governmental subdivision by this Constitution or the Legislature. To the extent such property is not used for the authorized public purposes, the Legislature may classify such property, exempt such classes, and impose or authorize some or all of such property to be subject to property taxes or payments in lieu of property taxes except as provided by law; (2) the Legislature by general law may classify and exempt from taxation property owned by and used exclusively for agricultural and horticultural societies and property owned and used exclusively for educational, religious, charitable, or cemetery purposes, when such property is not owned or used for financial gain or profit to either the owner or user; (3) household goods and personal effects, as defined by law, may be exempted from taxation in whole or in part, as may be provided by general law, and the Legislature may prescribe a formula for the

determination of value of household goods and personal effects; (4) the Legislature by general law may provide that the increased value of land by reason of shade or ornamental trees planted along the highway shall not be taken into account in the assessment of such land; (5) the Legislature, by general law and upon any terms, conditions, and restrictions it prescribes, may provide that the increased value of real property resulting from improvements designed primarily for energy conservation may be exempt from taxation; (6) the value of a home substantially contributed by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs for a paraplegic veteran or multiple amputee shall be exempt from taxation during the life of such veteran or until the death or remarriage of his or her surviving spouse; (7) the Legislature may exempt from an intangible property tax life insurance and life insurance annuity contracts and any payment connected therewith and any right to pension or retirement payments; (8) the Legislature may exempt inventory from taxation; (9) the Legislature may define and classify personal property in such manner as it sees fit, whether by type, use, user, or owner, and may exempt any such class or classes of property from taxation if such exemption is reasonable or may exempt all personal property from taxation; (10) no property shall be exempt from taxation except as permitted by or as provided in this Constitution; (11) the Legislature may by general law provide that a portion of the value of any residence actually occupied as a homestead by any classification of owners as determined by the Legislature shall be exempt from taxation; and (12) the Legislature may by general law, and upon any terms, conditions, and restrictions it prescribes, provide that the increased value of real property resulting from improvements designed primarily for the purpose of renovating, rehabilitating, or preserving historically significant real property may be, in whole or in part, exempt from taxation. (Amended 1920, 1954, 1964, 1966, 1968, 1970, 1980, 1992, 1998, 2004.)

Sec. 2A. The Legislature may establish bonded and licensed warehouses or storage areas for goods, wares and merchandise in transit in the state which are intended for and which are shipped to final destinations outside this state upon leaving such warehouses or storage areas, and may exempt such goods, wares and merchandise from ad valorem taxation while in such storage areas. (Adopted 1960.)

Sec. 3. The right of redemption from all sales of real estate, for the non-payment of taxes or special assessments of any character whatever, shall exist in favor of owners and persons interested in such real estate, for a period of not less than two years from such sales thereof. Provided, that occupants shall in all cases be served with personal notice before the time of redemption expires.

Sec. 4. Except as to tax and assessment charges against real property remaining delinquent and unpaid for a period of fifteen years or longer, the Legislature shall have no power to release or discharge any county, city, township, town, or district whatever, or the inhabitants thereof, or any corporation, or the property therein, from their or its proportionate share of taxes to be levied for state purposes, or due any municipal corporation, nor shall commutation for such taxes be authorized in any form whatever; *Provided*, that the Legislature may provide by law for the payment or cancellation of taxes or assessments against real estate remaining unpaid against real estate owned or acquired by the state or its governmental subdivisions. (Amended 1958, 1966.)

Sec. 5. County authorities shall never assess taxes the aggregate of which shall exceed fifty cents per one hundred dollars of taxable value as determined by the assessment rolls, except for the payment of indebtedness existing at the adoption hereof, unless authorized by a vote of the people of the county. (Amended 1920, 1992.)

Sec. 6. The Legislature may vest the corporate authorities of cities, towns and villages, with power to make local improvements, including facilities for providing off-street parking for vehicles, by special assessments or by special taxation of property benefited, and to redetermine and reallocate from time to time the benefits arising from the acquisition of such off-street parking facilities, and the Legislature may vest the corporate authorities of cities and villages with power to levy special assessments for the maintenance, repair and reconstruction of such off-street parking facilities. For all other corporate purposes, all municipal corporations may be vested with authority to assess and collect taxes, but such taxes shall be uniform in respect to persons and property within the jurisdiction of the body imposing the same, except that cities and villages

may be empowered by the Legislature to assess and collect separate and additional taxes within off-street parking districts created by and within any city or village on such terms as the Legislature may prescribe. (Amended 1972.)

Sec. 7. Private property shall not be liable to be taken or sold for the payment of the corporate debts of municipal corporations. The Legislature shall not impose taxes upon municipal corporations, or the inhabitants or property thereof, for corporate purposes.

Sec. 8. The Legislature at its first session shall provide by law for the funding of all outstanding warrants, and other indebtedness of the state, at a rate of interest not exceeding eight per cent per annum.

Sec. 9. The Legislature shall provide by law that all claims upon the treasury shall be examined and adjusted as the Legislature may provide before any warrant for the amount allowed shall be drawn. Any party aggrieved by the action taken on a claim in which he has an interest may appeal to the district court. (Amended 1964.)

Sec. 10. Notwithstanding the other provisions of Article VIII, the Legislature is authorized to substitute a basis other than valuation for taxes upon grain and seed produced or handled in this state. Existing revenue laws not inconsistent with the Constitution shall continue in effect until changed by the Legislature. (Adopted 1956.)

Sec. 11. Every public corporation and political subdivision organized primarily to provide electricity or irrigation and electricity shall annually make the same payments in lieu of taxes as it made in 1957, which payments shall be allocated in the same proportion to the same public bodies or their successors as they were in 1957.

The Legislature may require each such public corporation to pay to the treasurer of any county in which may be located any incorporated city or village, within the limits of which such public corporation sells electricity at retail, a sum equivalent to five (5) per cent of the annual gross revenue of such public corporation derived from retail sales of electricity within such city or village, less an amount equivalent to the 1957 payments in lieu of taxes made by such public corporation with respect to property or operations in any such city or village. The payments in lieu of tax as made in 1957, together with any payments made as authorized in this section shall be in lieu of all other taxes, payments in lieu of taxes, franchise payments, occupation and excise taxes, but shall not be in lieu of motor vehicle licenses and wheel taxes, permit fees, gasoline tax and other such excise taxes or general sales taxes levied against the public generally.

So much of such five (5) per cent as is in excess of an amount equivalent to the amount paid by such public corporation in lieu of taxes in 1957 shall be distributed in each year to the city or village, the school districts located in such city or village, the county in which such city or village is located, and the State of Nebraska, in the proportion that their respective property tax mill levies in each such year bear to the total of such mill levies. (Adopted 1958.)<sup>5</sup>

Sec. 12. For the purpose of rehabilitating, acquiring, or redeveloping substandard and blighted property in a redevelopment project as determined by law, any city or village of the state may, notwithstanding any other provision in the Constitution, and without regard to charter limitations and restrictions, incur indebtedness, whether by bond, loans, notes, advance of money, or otherwise. Notwithstanding any other provision in the Constitution or a local charter, such cities or villages may also pledge for and apply to the payment of the principal, interest, and any premium on such indebtedness all taxes levied by all taxing bodies, which taxes shall be at such rate for a period not to exceed fifteen years, on the assessed valuation of the property in the project area portion of a designated blighted and substandard area that is in excess of the assessed valuation of such property for the year prior to such rehabilitation, acquisition, or redevelopment.

When such indebtedness and the interest thereon have been paid in full, such property thereafter shall be taxed as is other property in the respective taxing jurisdictions and such taxes

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<sup>5</sup> At the general election in 1958, an amendment was adopted pursuant to initiative petition providing for payment in lieu of taxes by public corporations and political subdivisions supplying electricity. This amendment stated it was to amend Article VIII by adding a new section. The figure 10 was shown at the beginning of the new section to be added. There was already an amendment to the Constitution adopted in 1956 designated as Article VIII, section 10. Therefore, the 1958 amendment has been designated as Article VIII, section 11.

applied as all other taxes of the respective taxing bodies. (Adopted 1978. Amended 1984, 1988.)

Sec. 13. Notwithstanding Article I, section 16, Article III, section 18, or Article VIII, section 1 or 4, of this Constitution or any other provision of this Constitution to the contrary, amendments to Article VIII of this Constitution passed in 1992 shall be effective from and after January 1, 1992, and existing revenue laws and legislative acts passed in the regular legislative session of 1992, not inconsistent with this Constitution as amended, shall be considered ratified and confirmed by such amendments without the need for legislative reenactment of such laws. (Adopted 1992.)

### ARTICLE IX: COUNTIES

Sec. 1. No new county shall be formed or established by the legislature which will reduce the county or counties, or either of them to a less area than four hundred square miles, nor shall any county be formed of a less area.

Sec. 2. No county shall be divided nor any part of the territory of any county be stricken therefrom, nor shall any county or part of the territory of any county be added to an adjoining county without submitting the question to the qualified electors of each county affected thereby, nor unless approved by a majority of the qualified electors of each county voting thereon; provided, that when county boundaries divide sections, or overlap, or fail to meet, or are in doubt, the Legislature may by law provide for their adjustment, but in all cases the new boundary shall follow the nearest section line or the thread of the main channel of a boundary stream. (Amended 1920.)

Sec. 3. When a county shall be added to another, all prior indebtedness of each county shall remain a charge on the taxable property within the territory of each county as it existed prior to consolidation. When any part of a county is stricken off and attached to another county, the part stricken off shall be holden for its proportion of all then existing liabilities of the county from which it is taken, but shall not be holden for any then existing liabilities of the county to which it is attached. (Amended 1920.)

Sec. 4. The Legislature shall provide by law for the election of such county and township officers as may be necessary and for the consolidation of county offices for two or more counties; *Provided*, that each of the counties affected may disapprove such consolidation by a majority vote in each of such counties. (Amended 1968.)

Sec. 5. The Legislature shall provide by general law for township organization, under which any county may organize whenever a majority of the legal voters of such county voting at any general election shall so determine; and in any county that shall have adopted a township organization the question of continuing the same may be submitted to a vote of the electors of such county at a general election in the manner that shall be provided by law.

### ARTICLE X: PUBLIC SERVICE CORPORATIONS

Sec. 1. Every public utility corporation or common carrier organized or doing business in this state shall report, under oath, to the Railway Commission, when required by law or the order of said Commission. The reports so made shall include such matter as may be required by law or the order of said Commission. (Amended 1920.)

Sec. 2. The rolling stock and all other movable property belonging to any railroad company or corporation in this state, shall be liable to execution and sale in the same manner as the personal property of individuals, and the legislature shall pass no law exempting any such property from execution and sale.

Sec. 3. No public utility corporation or common carrier shall consolidate its stock, property, franchise, or earnings in whole or in part with any other public utility corporation or common carrier owning a parallel or competing property without permission of the Railway Commission; and in no case shall any consolidation take place except upon public notice of at least sixty days to all stockholders, in such manner as may be provided by law. The Legislature may by law require all public utilities and common carriers to exchange business through physical connection, joint use, connected service, or otherwise. (Amended 1920.)

Sec. 4. Railways heretofore constructed, or that may hereafter be constructed, in this state are hereby declared public highways, and shall be free to all persons for the transportation of

their persons and property thereon, under such regulations as may be prescribed by law. And the legislature may from time to time pass laws establishing reasonable maximum rates of charges for the transportation of passengers and freight on the different railroads in this state. The liability of railroad corporations as common carriers shall never be limited.

Sec. 5. The capital stock of public utility corporations or common carriers shall not be increased for any purpose, except after public notice for sixty days, and in such manner as may be provided by law. No dividend shall be declared or distributed except out of net earnings after paying all operating expenses including a depreciation reserve sufficient to keep the investment intact. (Amended 1920.)

Sec. 6. The exercise of the power and the right of eminent domain shall never be so construed or abridged as to prevent the taking by the legislature, of the property and franchises of incorporated companies already organized, or hereafter to be organized, and subjecting them to the public necessity the same as of individuals.

Sec. 7. The Legislature shall pass laws to correct abuses and prevent unjust discrimination and extortion in all charges of express, telegraph and railroad companies in this state and enforce such laws by adequate penalties to the extent, if necessary for that purpose, of forfeiture of their property and franchises.

Sec. 8. No railroad corporation organized under the laws of any other state, or of the United States and doing business in this state shall be entitled to exercise the right of eminent domain or have power to acquire the right of way, or real estate for depot or other uses, until it shall have become a body corporate pursuant to and in accordance with the laws of this state.

#### **ARTICLE XI: MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS**

Sec. 1. No city, county, town, precinct, municipality, or other subdivision of the state shall ever become a subscriber to the capital stock, or owner of such stock, or any portion or interest therein of any railroad, or private corporation, or association, except that, notwithstanding any other provision of this Constitution, the Legislature may authorize the investment of public endowment funds by any city which is authorized by this Constitution to establish a charter, in the manner required of a prudent investor who shall act with care, skill, and diligence under the prevailing circumstance and in such investments as the governing body of such city, acting in a fiduciary capacity for the exclusive purpose of protecting and benefiting such investment, may determine, subject to such limitations as the Legislature may by statute provide. (Amended 2008).

Sec. 2. Any city having population of more than five thousand (5000) inhabitants may frame a charter for its own government, consistent with and subject to the constitution and laws of this state, by causing a convention of fifteen freeholders, who shall have been for at least five years qualified electors thereof, to be elected by the qualified voters of said city at any general or special election, whose duty it shall be within four months after such election, to prepare and propose a charter for such city, which charter, when completed, with a prefatory synopsis, shall be signed by the officers and members of the convention, or a majority thereof, and delivered to the clerk of said city, who shall publish the same in full, with his official certification, in the official paper of said city, if there be one, and if there be no official paper, then in at least one newspaper published and in general circulation in said city, three times, and a week apart, and within not less than thirty days after such publication it shall be submitted to the qualified electors of said city at a general or special election, and if a majority of such qualified voters, voting thereon, shall ratify the same, it shall at the end of sixty days thereafter, become the charter of said city, and supersede any existing charter and all amendments thereof. A duplicate certificate shall be made, setting forth the charter proposed and its ratification (together with the vote for and against) and duly certified by the City Clerk, and authenticated by the corporate seal of said city and one copy thereof shall be filed with the secretary of state and the other deposited among the archives of the city, and shall thereupon become and be the charter of said city, and all amendments of such charter, shall be authenticated in the same manner, and filed with the secretary of state and deposited in the archives of the city. (Adopted 1912.)

Sec. 3. But if said charter be rejected, then within six months thereafter, the mayor and

council or governing authorities of said city may call a special election at which fifteen members of a new charter convention shall be elected to be called and held as above in such city, and they shall proceed as above to frame a charter which shall in like manner and to the like end be published and submitted to a vote of said voters for their approval or rejection. If again rejected, the procedure herein designated may be repeated until a charter is finally approved by a majority of those voting thereon, and certified (together with the vote for and against) to the secretary of state as aforesaid, and a copy thereof deposited in the archives of the city, whereupon it shall become the charter of said city. Members of each of said charter conventions shall be elected at large, and they shall complete their labors within sixty days after their respective election. The charter shall make proper provision for continuing, amending or repealing the ordinances of the city. (Adopted 1912.)

Sec. 4. Such charter so ratified and adopted may be amended, or a charter convention called, by a proposal therefor made by the law-making body of such city or by the qualified electors in number not less than five per cent of the next preceding gubernatorial vote in such city, by petition filed with the council or governing authorities. The council or governing authorities shall submit the same to a vote of the qualified electors at the next general or special election not held within thirty days after such petition is filed. In submitting any such charter or charter amendments, any alternative article or section may be presented for the choice of the voters and may be voted on separately without prejudice to others. Whenever the question of a charter convention is carried by a majority of those voting thereon, a charter convention shall be called through a special election ordinance, and the same shall be constituted and held and the proposed charter submitted to a vote of the qualified electors, approved or rejected, as provided in Section two hereof. The City Clerk of said city shall publish with his official certification, for three times, a week apart in the official paper in said city, if there be one, and if there be no official paper, then in at least one newspaper, published and in general circulation in said city, the full text of any charter or charter amendment to be voted on at any general or special election.

No charter or charter amendment adopted under the provisions of this amendment shall be amended or repealed except by electoral vote. And no such charter or charter amendment shall diminish the tax rate for state purposes fixed by act of the Legislature, or interfere in any wise with the collection of state taxes. (Adopted 1912.)

Sec. 5. The charter of any city having a population of more than one hundred thousand inhabitants may be adopted as the home rule charter of such city by a majority vote of the qualified electors of such city voting upon the question, and when so adopted may thereafter be changed or amended as provided in Section 4 of this article, subject to the Constitution and laws of the state. (Adopted 1920.)

## ARTICLE XII: MISCELLANEOUS CORPORATIONS

Sec. 1. The Legislature shall provide by general law for the organization, regulation, supervision and general control of all corporations, and for the organization, supervision and general control of mutual and co-operative companies and associations, and by such legislation shall insure the mutuality and co-operative features and functions thereof. Foreign corporations transacting or seeking to transact business in this state shall be subject, under general law, to regulation, supervision and general control, and shall not be given greater rights or privileges than are given domestic corporations of a similar character. No corporations shall be created by special law, nor their charters be extended, changed or amended, except those corporations organized for charitable, educational, penal or reformatory purposes, which are to be and remain under the patronage and control of the state. The Legislature shall provide by law that in all elections for directors or managers of incorporated companies every stockholder owning voting stock shall have the right to vote in person or proxy for the number of such shares owned by him, for as many persons as there are directors or managers to be elected or to cumulate such shares and give one candidate as many votes as the number of directors multiplied by the number his shares shall equal, or to distribute them upon the same principal among as many candidates as he shall think fit, and such directors or managers shall not be elected in any other manner; *Provided*, that

any mutual or cooperative company or association may, in its articles of incorporation, limit the number of shares of stock any stockholder may own, the transfer of such stock, and the right of each stockholder or member to one vote only in the meetings of such company or association. All general laws passed pursuant to this section may be altered from time to time, or repealed. (Amended 1920, 1972.)

Sec. 2 to 6. Repealed 1972.

Sec. 7. Repealed 1938.

Sec. 8. That Article XII of the Constitution of the State of Nebraska be amended by adding a new section numbered 8 and subsections as numbered, notwithstanding any other provisions of this Constitution.

Sec. 8. (1) No corporation or syndicate shall acquire, or otherwise obtain an interest, whether legal, beneficial, or otherwise, in any title to real estate used for farming or ranching in this state, or engage in farming or ranching.

Corporation shall mean any corporation organized under the laws of any state of the United States or any country or any partnership of which such corporation is a partner.

Farming or ranching shall mean (i) the cultivation of land for the production of agricultural crops, fruit, or other horticultural products, or (ii) the ownership, keeping or feeding of animals for the production of livestock or livestock products.

Syndicate shall mean any limited partnership organized under the laws of any state of the United States or any country, other than limited partnerships in which the partners are members of a family, or a trust created for the benefit of a member of that family, related to one another within the fourth degree of kindred according to the rules of civil law, or their spouses, at least one of whom is a person residing on or actively engaged in the day to day labor and management of the farm or ranch, and none of whom are nonresident aliens. This shall not include general partnerships.

These restrictions shall not apply to:

(A) A family farm or ranch corporation. Family farm or ranch corporation shall mean a corporation engaged in farming or ranching or the ownership of agricultural land, in which the majority of the voting stock is held by members of a family, or a trust created for the benefit of a member of that family, related to one another within the fourth degree of kindred according to the rules of civil law, or their spouses, at least one of whom is a person residing on or actively engaged in the day to day labor and management of the farm or ranch and none of whose stockholders are non-resident aliens and none of whose stockholders are corporations or partnerships, unless all of the stockholders or partners of such entities are persons related within the fourth degree of kindred to the majority of stockholders in the family farm corporation.

These restrictions shall not apply to:

(B) Non-profit corporations.

These restrictions shall not apply to:

(C) Nebraska Indian tribal corporations.

These restrictions shall not apply to:

(D) Agricultural land, which, as of the effective date of this Act, is being farmed or ranched, or which is owned or leased, or in which there is a legal or beneficial interest in title directly or indirectly owned, acquired, or obtained by a corporation or syndicate, so long as such land or other interest in title shall be held in continuous ownership or under continuous lease by the same such corporation or syndicate, and including such additional ownership or leasehold as is reasonably necessary to meet the requirements of pollution control regulations. For the purposes of this exemption, land purchased on a contract signed as of the effective date of this amendment, shall be considered as owned on the effective date of this amendment.

These restrictions shall not apply to:

(E) A farm or ranch operated for research or experimental purposes, if any commercial sales from such farm or ranch are only incidental to the research or experimental objectives of the corporation or syndicate.

These restrictions shall not apply to:

(F) Agricultural land operated by a corporation for the purpose of raising poultry.

These restrictions shall not apply to:

(G) Land leased by alfalfa processors for the production of alfalfa.

These restrictions shall not apply to:

(H) Agricultural land operated for the purpose of growing seed, nursery plants, or sod.

These restrictions shall not apply to:

(I) Mineral rights on agricultural land.

These restrictions shall not apply to:

(J) Agricultural land acquired or leased by a corporation or syndicate for immediate or potential use for nonfarming or nonranching purposes. A corporation or syndicate may hold such agricultural land in such acreage as may be necessary to its nonfarm or nonranch business operation, but pending the development of such agricultural land for nonfarm or nonranch purposes, not to exceed a period of five years, such land may not be used for farming or ranching except under lease to a family farm or ranch corporation or a non-syndicate and non-corporate farm or ranch.

These restrictions shall not apply to:

(K) Agricultural lands or livestock acquired by a corporation or syndicate by process of law in the collection of debts, or by any procedures for the enforcement of a lien, encumbrance, or claim thereon, whether created by mortgage or otherwise. Any lands so acquired shall be disposed of within a period of five years and shall not be used for farming or ranching prior to being disposed of, except under a lease to a family farm or ranch corporation or a non-syndicate and non-corporate farm or ranch.

These restrictions shall not apply to:

(L) A bona fide encumbrance taken for purposes of security.

These restrictions shall not apply to:

(M) Custom spraying, fertilizing, or harvesting.

These restrictions shall not apply to:

(N) Livestock futures contracts, livestock purchased for slaughter, or livestock purchased and resold within two weeks.

If a family farm corporation, which has qualified under all the requirements of a family farm or ranch corporation, ceases to meet the defined criteria, it shall have fifty years, if the ownership of the majority of the stock of such corporation continues to be held by persons related to one another within the fourth degree of kindred or their spouses, and their landholdings are not increased, to either re-qualify as a family farm corporation or dissolve and return to personal ownership.

The Secretary of State shall monitor corporate and syndicate agricultural land purchases and corporate and syndicate farming and ranching operations, and notify the Attorney General of any possible violations. If the Attorney General has reason to believe that a corporation or syndicate is violating this amendment, he or she shall commence an action in district court to enjoin any pending illegal land purchase, or livestock operation, or to force divestiture of land held in violation of this amendment. The court shall order any land held in violation of this amendment to be divested within two years. If land so ordered by the court has not been divested within two years, the court shall declare the land escheated to the State of Nebraska.

If the Secretary of State or Attorney General fails to perform his or her duties as directed by this amendment, Nebraska citizens and entities shall have standing in district court to seek enforcement.

The Nebraska Legislature may enact, by general law, further restrictions prohibiting certain agricultural operations that the legislature deems contrary to the intent of this section. (Adopted 1982.)<sup>6</sup>

### **ARTICLE XIII: STATE, COUNTY, AND MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS**

Sec. 1. The state may, to meet casual deficits, or failures in the revenue, contract debts never to exceed in the aggregate one hundred thousand dollars, and no greater indebtedness shall be

<sup>6</sup>Proclamation by the governor occurred on Nov. 29, 1982.

incurred except for the purpose of repelling invasion, suppressing insurrection, or defending the state in war, and provision shall be made for the payment of the interest annually, as it shall accrue, by a tax levied for the purpose, or from other sources of revenue, which law providing for the payment of such interest by such tax shall be irrevocable until such debt is paid; *Provided*, that if the Legislature determines by a three-fifths vote of the members elected thereto that (1) the need for construction of highways in this state requires such action, it may authorize the issuance of bonds for such construction, and for the payment of the interest and the retirement of such bonds it may pledge any tolls to be received from such highways or it may irrevocably pledge for the term of the bonds all or a part of any state revenue closely related to the use of such highways, such as motor vehicle fuel taxes or motor vehicle license fees and (2) the construction of water retention and impoundment structures for the purposes of water conservation and management will promote the general welfare of the state, it may authorize the issuance of revenue bonds for such construction, and for the payment of the interest and the retirement of such bonds it may pledge all or any part of any state revenue derived from the use of such structures; *and provided further*, that the Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska, the Board of Trustees of the Nebraska State Colleges, and the State Board of Education may issue revenue bonds to construct, purchase, or otherwise acquire, extend, add to, remodel, repair, furnish, and equip dormitories, residence halls, single or multiple dwelling units, or other facilities for the housing and boarding of students, single or married, and faculty or other employees, buildings and structures for athletic purposes, student unions or centers, and for the medical care and physical development and activities of students, and buildings or other facilities for parking, which bonds shall be payable solely out of revenue, fees, and other payments derived from the use of the buildings and facilities constructed or acquired, including buildings and facilities heretofore or hereafter constructed or acquired, and paid for out of the proceeds of other issues of revenue bonds, and the revenue, fees, and payments so pledged need not be appropriated by the Legislature, and any such revenue bonds heretofore issued by either of such boards are hereby authorized, ratified, and validated. Bonds for new construction shall be first approved as the Legislature shall provide. (Amended 1968, 1970, 1982.)

Sec. 2. Notwithstanding any other provision in the Constitution, the Legislature may authorize any county or incorporated city or village, including cities operating under home rule charters, to acquire, own, develop, and lease real and personal property suitable for use by manufacturing or industrial enterprises and to issue revenue bonds for the purpose of defraying the cost of acquiring and developing such property by construction, purchase, or otherwise. The Legislature may also authorize such county, city, or village to acquire, own, develop, and lease real and personal property suitable for use by enterprises as determined by law if such property is located in blighted areas as determined by law and to issue revenue bonds for the purpose of defraying the cost of acquiring and developing or financing such property by construction, purchase, or otherwise. Such bonds shall not become general obligation bonds of the governmental subdivision by which such bonds are issued. Any real or personal property acquired, owned, developed, or used by any such county, city, or village pursuant to this section shall be subject to taxation to the same extent as private property during the time it is leased to or held by private interests, notwithstanding the provisions of Article VIII, section 2, of the Constitution. The acquiring, owning, developing, and leasing of such property shall be deemed for a public purpose, but the governmental subdivision shall not have the right to acquire such property by condemnation. The principal of and interest on any bonds issued may be secured by a pledge of the lease and the revenue therefrom and by mortgage upon such property. No such governmental subdivision shall have the power to operate any such property as a business or in any manner except as the lessor thereof.

Notwithstanding any other provision in the Constitution, the Legislature may also authorize any incorporated city or village, including cities operating under home rule charters, to appropriate such funds as may be deemed necessary for an economic or industrial development project or program subject to approval by a vote of a majority of the registered voters of such city or village voting upon the question. Subject to such vote, funds may be derived from property tax, local option sales tax, or any other general tax levied by the city or village or generated from municipally owned

utilities or grants, donations, or state and federal funds received by the city or village subject to any restrictions of the grantor, donor, or state or federal law. (Amended 1972, 1982, 1990, 2010.)

Sec. 3. The credit of the state shall never be given or loaned in aid of any individual, association, or corporation, except that the state may guarantee or make long-term, low-interest loans to Nebraska residents seeking adult or post high school education at any public or private institution in this state. Qualifications for and the repayment of such loans shall be as prescribed by the Legislature. (Amended 1968.)

Sec. 4. Notwithstanding any other provision in this Constitution, the Legislature may authorize any county, city, or village to acquire, own, develop, and lease or finance real and personal property, other than property used or to be used for sectarian instruction or study or as a place for devotional activities or religious worship, to be used, during the term of any revenue bonds issued, only by nonprofit enterprises as determined by law and to issue revenue bonds for the purpose of defraying the cost of acquiring and developing or financing such property by construction, purchase, or otherwise. Such bonds shall not become general obligation bonds of the governmental subdivision by which such bonds are issued, and such governmental subdivision shall have no authority to impose taxes for the payment of such bonds. Notwithstanding the provisions of Article VIII, section 2, of this Constitution, the acquisition, ownership, development, use, or financing of any real or personal property pursuant to the provisions of this section shall not affect the imposition of any taxes or the exemption therefrom by the Legislature pursuant to this Constitution. The acquiring, owning, developing, and leasing or financing of such property shall be deemed for a public purpose, but the governmental subdivision shall not have the right to acquire such property for the purposes specified in this section by condemnation. The principal of and interest on any bonds issued may be secured by a pledge of the lease and the revenue therefrom and by mortgage upon such property. No such governmental subdivision shall have the power to operate any such property as a business or in any manner except as the lessor thereof. (Adopted 2010.)

#### **ARTICLE XIV: MILITIA**

Sec. 1. The Legislature may provide for the personnel, organization, and discipline of the militia of the state. (Amended 1972.)

#### **ARTICLE XV: MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS**

Sec. 1. Executive and judicial officers and members of the legislature, before they enter upon their official duties shall take and subscribe the following oath, or affirmation. "I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support the constitution of the United States, and the constitution of the State of Nebraska, and will faithfully discharge the duties of ..... according to the best of my ability, and that at the election at which I was chosen to fill said office, I have not improperly influenced in any way the vote of any elector, and have not accepted, nor will I accept or receive, directly or indirectly, any money or other valuable thing from any corporation, company or person, or any promise of office, for any official act or influence (for any vote I may give or withhold on any bill, resolution, or appropriation)." Any such officer or member of the legislature who shall refuse to take the oath herein prescribed, shall forfeit his office, and any person who shall be convicted of having sworn falsely to, or of violating his said oath shall forfeit his office, and thereafter be disqualified from holding any office of profit or trust in this state unless he shall have been restored to civil rights.

Sec. 2. No person who is in default as collector and custodian of public money or property shall be eligible to any office of trust or profit under the constitution or laws of this state. No person convicted of a felony shall be eligible to any such office unless he shall have been restored to civil rights. (Amended 1972.)

Sec. 3. Repealed 1986.

Sec. 4. The necessity of water for domestic use and for irrigation purposes in the State of Nebraska is hereby declared to be a natural want. (Adopted 1920.)

Sec. 5. The use of the water of every natural stream within the State of Nebraska is hereby dedicated to the people of the state for beneficial purposes, subject to the provisions of the fol-

lowing section. (Adopted 1920.)

Sec. 6. The right to divert unappropriated waters of every natural stream for beneficial use shall never be denied except when such denial is demanded by the public interest. Priority of appropriation shall give the better right as between those using the water for the same purpose, but when the waters of any natural stream are not sufficient for the use of all those desiring to use the same, those using the water for domestic purposes shall have preference over those claiming it for any other purpose, and those using the water for agricultural purposes shall have the preference over those using the same for manufacturing purposes. Provided, no inferior right to the use of the waters of this state shall be acquired by a superior right without just compensation therefor to the inferior user. (Adopted 1920.)

Sec. 7. The use of the waters of the state for power purposes shall be deemed a public use and shall never be alienated, but may be leased or otherwise developed as by law prescribed. (Adopted 1920.)

Sec. 8. Laws may be enacted regulating the hours and conditions of employment of women and children, and securing to such employees a proper minimum wage. (Adopted 1920.)

Sec. 9. Laws may be enacted providing for the investigation, submission, and determination of controversies between employers and employees in any business or vocation affected with a public interest and for the prevention of unfair business practices and unconscionable gains in any business or vocation affecting the public welfare. An Industrial Commission may be created for the purpose of administering such laws, and appeals shall be as provided by law. (Adopted 1920. Amended 1990.)

Sec. 10. Repealed 1934.

Sec. 11. Repealed 1972.

Sec. 12. The seat of government of the state shall not be removed or relocated without the assent of a majority of the electors of the state voting thereupon, at a general election or elections, under such rules and regulations as to the number of elections and manner of voting and places to be voted for, as may be prescribed by law. Provided the question of removal may be submitted at such other general elections as may be provided by law.

Sec. 13. No person shall be denied employment because of membership in or affiliation with, or resignation or expulsion from a labor organization or because of refusal to join or affiliate with a labor organization; nor shall any individual or corporation or association of any kind enter into any contract, written or oral, to exclude persons from employment because of membership in or nonmembership in a labor organization. (Adopted 1946.)

Sec. 14. The term "labor organization" means any organization of any kind, or any agency or employee representation committee or plan, which exists for the purpose, in whole or in part, of dealing with employers concerning grievances, labor disputes, wages, rates of pay, hours of employment, or conditions of work. (Adopted 1946.)

Sec. 15. This article is self-executing and shall supersede all provisions in conflict therewith; legislation may be enacted to facilitate its operation but no law shall limit or restrict the provisions hereof. (Adopted 1946.)

Sec. 16. Repealed 1972.

Sec. 17. Notwithstanding section 3 of Article XIII or any other provision in the Constitution:

(1) The Legislature may provide for the investment of any state funds, including retirement or pension funds of state employees and Nebraska school employees in such manner and in such investments as it may by statute provide; and

(2) The Legislature may authorize the investment of retirement or pension funds of cities, villages, school districts, public power districts, and other governmental or political subdivisions in such manner and in such investments as the governing body of such city, village, school district, public power district and other governmental or political subdivision may determine but subject to such limitations as the Legislature may by statute provide. (Adopted 1966.)

Sec. 18. (1) The state or any local government may exercise any of its powers or perform any of its functions, including financing the same, jointly or in cooperation with any other

governmental entity or entities, either within or without the state, except as the Legislature shall provide otherwise by law.

(2) The Legislature may provide for the merger or consolidation of counties or other local governments. No merger or consolidation of municipalities or counties shall occur without the approval of a majority of the people voting in each municipality or county to be merged or consolidated as provided by law. If the proposal is a merger or consolidation of one or more municipalities with one or more counties, the vote shall be tabulated in each municipality in the county or counties separately from the areas of the county or counties outside the boundaries of the municipalities. If the merger or consolidation is not approved by a majority of voters voting in the election in a municipality proposed to be merged or consolidated or the areas of the county or counties outside the boundaries of such municipality or municipalities, the proposed merger or consolidation shall be deemed rejected. Any merger or consolidation of local governments may be initiated by petition as provided by law. Annexation shall not be considered a merger or consolidation for purposes of this section. If the Legislature provides for the merger or consolidation of one or more municipalities with one or more counties, the Legislature shall provide for the reversal of the merger or consolidation. No such reversal shall occur without voter approval. The vote shall be tabulated in each municipality which is proposed to be created by the reversal separately from the areas outside the boundaries of the proposed municipalities. If the reversal is not approved by a majority of voters voting in the election in the area within the boundaries of any proposed municipality or the areas outside the proposed municipalities, the reversal shall be deemed rejected. (Adopted 1972. Amended 1998.)

Sec. 19. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Constitution, the governing bodies of municipalities and counties are empowered to approve, deny, suspend, cancel, or revoke retail and bottle club liquor licenses within their jurisdictions as authorized by the Legislature. (Adopted 1992.)

Sec. 20 to 24. Omitted.<sup>7</sup>

Sec. 25. The citizens of Nebraska have the right to hunt, to fish, and to harvest wildlife, including by the use of traditional methods, subject only to laws, rules, and regulations regarding participation and that promote wildlife conservation and management and that preserve the future of hunting, fishing, and harvesting of wildlife. Public hunting, fishing, and harvesting of wildlife shall be a preferred means of managing and controlling wildlife. This section shall not be construed to modify any provision of law relating to trespass or property rights. This section shall not be construed to modify any provision of law relating to Article XV, section 4, Article XV, section 5, Article XV, section 6, or Article XV, section 7, of this constitution. (Adopted 2012.)

## ARTICLE XVI—AMENDMENTS

Sec. 1. The Legislature may propose amendments to this Constitution. If the same be agreed to by three-fifths of the members elected to the Legislature, such proposed amendments shall be entered on the journal, with yeas and nays, and published once each week for three consecutive weeks, in at least one newspaper in each county, where a newspaper is published, immediately preceding the next election of members of the Legislature or a special election called by the vote of four-fifths of the members elected to the Legislature for the purpose of submitting such proposed amendments to the electors. At such election said amendments shall be submitted to the electors for approval or rejection upon a ballot separate from that upon which the names of candidates appear. If a majority of the electors voting on any such amendment adopt the same, it shall become a part of this Constitution, provided the votes cast in favor of such amendment shall not be less than thirty-five per cent of the total votes cast at such election. When two or more amendments are submitted at the same election, they shall be so submitted as to enable the electors to vote on each amendment separately. (Amended 1920, 1952, 1968.)

<sup>7</sup>Article XV, sections 20 to 24, of the Constitution of Nebraska, added by Initiative 408 in 1994, have been omitted because of the decision of the Nebraska Supreme Court in *Duggan v. Beermann*, 249 Neb. 411, 544 N.W.2d 68 (1996).

Sec. 2. When three-fifths of the members elected to the Legislature deem it necessary to call a convention to revise, amend, or change this constitution, they shall recommend to the electors to vote at the next election of members of the Legislature, for or against a convention, and if a majority of the electors voting on the proposition, vote for a convention, the Legislature shall, at its next session provide by law for calling the same; *Provided*, the votes cast in favor of calling a convention shall not be less than thirty-five per cent of the total votes cast at such election. The convention shall consist of not more than one hundred members, the exact number to be determined by the Legislature, and to be nominated and elected from districts in the manner to be prescribed by the Legislature. Such members shall meet within three months after their election, for the purpose aforesaid. No amendment or change of this constitution, agreed upon by such convention, shall take effect until the same has been submitted to the electors of the state, and adopted by a majority of those voting for and against the same. (Amended 1952.)

### ARTICLE XVII—SCHEDULE

Sec. 1. Whenever they shall appear in this Constitution, the terms members of the Legislature, elected members of the Legislature, or similar terms referring to the members of the Legislature, shall include appointed and elected members of the Legislature. (Adopted 1920. Amended 1972.)

Sec. 2 and 3. Repealed 1972.

Sec. 4. The general election of this state shall be held on the Tuesday succeeding the first Monday of November in the year 1914 and every two years thereafter. All state, district, county, precinct, township and other officers, by the constitution or laws made elective by the people, except school district officers, and municipal officers in cities, villages and towns, shall be elected at a general election to be held as aforesaid. An incumbent of any office shall hold over until his successor is duly elected and qualified. (Amended 1912, 1972.)

Sec. 5. Unless otherwise provided by this Constitution or by law the terms of all elected officers shall begin on the first Thursday after the first Tuesday in January next succeeding their election. (Amended 1972.)

Sec. 6. Transferred to Article III, section 30, Constitution of Nebraska.

Sec. 7 and 8. Repealed 1972.

Sec. 9. Repealed 1998.

Sec. 10. (Failed to carry at election.)<sup>8</sup>

Sec. 11. Repealed 1972.

### ARTICLE XVIII: TERM LIMITS ON CONGRESS

Sec. 1. The people of the State of Nebraska want to amend the United States Constitution to establish term limits on Congress that will ensure representation in Congress by true citizen lawmakers. The President of the United States is limited by the XXII Amendment to the United States Constitution to two terms in office. Governors in forty states are limited to two terms or less. Voters have established term limits for over two thousand state legislators as well as over seventeen thousand local officials across the country. Nevertheless, Congress has ignored our desire for term limits not only by proposing excessively long terms for its own members but also by utterly refusing to pass an amendment for genuine congressional term limits. Congress has a clear conflict of interest in proposing a term limits amendment to the United States Constitution. A majority of both Republicans and Democrats in the 104th Congress voted against a constitutional amendment containing the term limits passed by a wide margin of Nebraska voters. The people, not Congress, should set term limits. We hereby establish as the official position of the citizens and State of Nebraska that our elected officials should enact by constitutional amendment

<sup>8</sup>Legislative Bill 30, corresponding to Chapter 25 of the Session Laws of 1939 and consisting of three sections, proposed an amendment to the Constitution. Section 2 of the bill provided that an additional section should be inserted in Article XVII "to be known and numbered" as section 10. The amendment was rejected in the election of 1940. Legislative Bill 179, corresponding to Chapter 109 of the Session Laws for 1939, likewise proposed an amendment that was adopted. Section 2 of this bill provided that an additional section should be inserted in Article XVII "to be known and numbered" as section 11. For this reason there is no section 10 of Article XVII.

congressional term limits of three terms in the United States House of Representatives and of two terms in the United States Senate.

The career politicians dominating Congress have a conflict of interest that prevents Congress from being what the founders intended, the branch of government closest to the people. The politicians have refused to heed the will of the people for term limits; they have voted to dramatically raise their own pay; they have provided lavish million-dollar pensions for themselves; and they have granted themselves numerous other privileges at the expense of the people. Most importantly, members of Congress have enriched themselves while running up huge deficits to support their spending. They have put the government nearly \$5,000,000,000,000.00 (five trillion dollars) in debt, gravely threatening the future of our children and grandchildren.

The corruption and appearance of corruption brought about by political careerism is destructive to the proper functioning of the first branch of our representative government. Congress has grown increasingly distant from the people of the states. The people have the sovereign right and compelling interest in creating a citizen Congress that will more effectively protect our freedom and prosperity. This interest and right may not effectively be served in any way other than that proposed by this initiative.

We hereby state our intention on behalf of the people of Nebraska, that this initiative lead to the adoption of the following amendment to the United States Constitution:

#### CONGRESSIONAL TERM LIMITS AMENDMENT TO THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION

Section 1. No person shall serve in the office of United States Representative for more than three terms, but upon ratification of this amendment no person who has held the office of United States Representative or who then holds the office shall serve for more than two additional terms.

Section 2. No person shall serve in the office of United States Senator for more than two terms, but upon ratification of this amendment no person who has held the office of United States Senator or who then holds the office shall serve for more than one additional term.

Section 3. This article shall have no time limit within which it must be ratified to become operative upon the ratification of the legislatures of three-fourths of the several states.

Therefore, we the people of the State of Nebraska, have chosen to amend the Constitution of Nebraska to inform voters regarding incumbent and nonincumbent federal and state candidates' support for the congressional term limits amendment provided for in this section. (Adopted 1996.)

Sec. 2. (1) We, the voters of Nebraska, hereby instruct each member of our congressional delegation to use all of his or her delegated powers to pass the congressional term limits amendment set forth in Article XVIII, section 1, of this Constitution.

(2) All primary and general election ballots shall have printed the information "DISREGARDED VOTERS INSTRUCTION ON TERM LIMITS" adjacent to the name of any United States Senator or United States Representative who:

(a) Fails to vote in favor of the proposed congressional term limits amendment set forth in Article XVIII, section 1, of this Constitution, when brought to a vote;

(b) Fails to second such proposed congressional term limits amendment if it lacks for a second before any proceeding of the legislative body;

(c) Fails to propose or otherwise bring to a vote of the full legislative body such proposed congressional term limits amendment if it otherwise lacks a legislator who so proposes or brings to a vote of the full legislative body such proposed congressional term limits amendment;

(d) Fails to vote in favor of all votes bringing such proposed congressional term limits amendment before any committee or subcommittee of the respective house upon which he or she serves;

(e) Fails to reject any attempt to delay, table, or otherwise prevent a vote by the full legislative body of such proposed congressional term limits amendment;

(f) Fails to vote against any proposed constitutional amendment that would establish longer term limits than those in the proposed congressional term limits amendment set forth in Article

XVIII, section 1, of this Constitution, regardless of any other actions in support of such proposed congressional term limits amendment;

(g) Sponsors or cosponsors any proposed constitutional amendment or law that would increase term limits beyond those in the proposed congressional term limits amendment set forth in Article XVIII, section 1, of this Constitution; or

(h) Fails in any way to ensure that all votes on congressional term limits are recorded and made available to the public.

(3) The information “DISREGARDED VOTERS INSTRUCTION ON TERM LIMITS” shall not appear adjacent to the names of incumbent candidates for Congress if the congressional term limits amendment set forth in Article XVIII, section 1, of this Constitution, is before the states for ratification or has become part of the United States Constitution. (Adopted 1996.)

Sec. 3. (1) Nonincumbent candidates for the United States Senate, the United States House of Representatives, and the Legislature should be given an opportunity to take a “Term Limits Pledge” regarding term limits each time they file to run for such offices. Any such person who declines to take the “Term Limits Pledge” shall have the information “DECLINED TO PLEDGE TO SUPPORT TERM LIMITS” printed adjacent to his or her name on every primary and general election ballot.

(2) The “Term Limits Pledge” shall be offered to nonincumbent candidates for the United States Senate, the United States House of Representatives, and the Legislature until a constitutional amendment which limits the number of terms of United States Senators to no more than two and United States Representatives to no more than three has become part of our United States Constitution.

(3) The “Term Limits Pledge” that each nonincumbent candidate, set forth in subsections (1) and (2) of this section, shall be offered is as follows: I support term limits and pledge to use all my legislative powers to enact the proposed constitutional amendment to the United States Constitution set forth in Article XVIII, section 1, of this Constitution. If elected, I pledge to vote in such a way that the designation “DISREGARDED VOTERS INSTRUCTION ON TERM LIMITS” will not appear adjacent to my name. .... Signature of Candidate (Adopted 1996.)

Sec. 4. (1) We the voters of Nebraska, hereby instruct each member of the Legislature to use all of his or her delegated powers to pass an application pursuant to Article V of the United States Constitution as set forth in subsection (2) of this section, and to ratify, if proposed, the congressional term limits amendment set forth in Article XVIII, section 1, of this Constitution.

(2) Application: We, the people and the Legislature, due to our desire to establish term limits on Congress, hereby make application to Congress, pursuant to our power under Article V of the United States Constitution, to call a convention for proposing amendments to the United States Constitution.

(3) All primary and general election ballots shall have the information “DISREGARDED VOTERS INSTRUCTION ON TERM LIMITS” printed adjacent to the name of any respective member of the Legislature who:

(a) Fails to vote in favor of the application set forth in subsection (2) of this section when brought to a vote;

(b) Fails to second the application if it lacks for a second;

(c) Fails to vote in favor of all votes bringing the application before any committee or subcommittee upon which he or she serves;

(d) Fails to propose or otherwise bring to a vote of the full legislative body the application if it otherwise lacks a legislator who so proposes or brings to a vote of the full legislative body the application;

(e) Fails to vote against any attempt to delay, table, or otherwise prevent a vote by the full legislative body on the application;

(f) Fails in any way to ensure that all votes on the application are recorded and made available to the public;

(g) Fails to vote against any change, addition, or modification to the application;

(h) Fails to vote in favor of the congressional term limits amendment if it is sent to the

states for ratification; or

(i) Fails to vote against any term limits amendment with longer terms if such an amendment is sent to the states for ratification.

(4) The information “DISREGARDED VOTERS INSTRUCTION ON TERM LIMITS” shall not appear adjacent to the names of candidates for the Legislature as required by subdivisions (3)(a) through (3)(g) of this section if the State of Nebraska has made an application to Congress for a convention for proposing amendments to the United States Constitution pursuant to this initiative and such application has not been withdrawn or the congressional term limits amendment set forth in Article XVIII, section 1, of this Constitution, has been submitted to the states for ratification.

(5) The information “DISREGARDED VOTERS INSTRUCTION ON TERM LIMITS” shall not appear adjacent to the names of candidates for the Legislature as required by subdivisions (3)(h) and (3)(i) of this section if the State of Nebraska has ratified the proposed congressional term limits amendment set forth in Article XVIII, section 1, of this Constitution.

(6) The information “DISREGARDED VOTERS INSTRUCTION ON TERM LIMITS” shall not appear adjacent to the names of candidates for the Legislature as required by subdivisions (3)(a) through (3)(i) of this section if the proposed congressional term limits amendment set forth in Article XVIII, section 1, of this Constitution, has become part of the United States Constitution. (Adopted 1996.)

Sec. 5. (1) The Secretary of State shall be responsible to make an accurate determination as to whether a candidate for the United States Senate, the United States House of Representatives, or the Legislature shall have placed adjacent to his or her name on the election ballot the information “DISREGARDED VOTERS INSTRUCTION ON TERM LIMITS” or “DECLINED TO PLEDGE TO SUPPORT TERM LIMITS.”

(2) The Secretary of State shall consider timely submitted public comments prior to making the determination required in subsection (1) of this section.

(3) The Secretary of State, in accordance with subsection (1) of this section, shall determine and declare what information, if any, shall appear adjacent to the name of each incumbent member of Congress if he or she was to be a candidate in the next election. In the case of United States Representatives and United States Senators, this determination and declaration shall be made in a fashion necessary to ensure the orderly printing of primary and general election ballots with allowance made for all legal action provided in subsections (5) and (6) of this section, and shall be based upon his or her action during his or her current term of office and any action taken in any concluded term, if such action was taken after the determination and declaration was made by the Secretary of State in a previous election. In the case of incumbent members of the Legislature, this determination and declaration shall be made not later than thirty days after the end of the regular session following each general election, and shall be based upon legislative action in the previous regular session.

(4) The Secretary of State shall determine and declare what information, if any, will appear adjacent to the names of nonincumbent candidates for Congress and the Legislature, not later than five business days after the deadline for filing for the office.

(5) If the Secretary of State makes the determination that the information “DISREGARDED VOTERS INSTRUCTION ON TERM LIMITS” or “DECLINED TO PLEDGE TO SUPPORT TERM LIMITS” shall not be placed on the ballot adjacent to the name of a candidate for the United States Senate, the United States House of Representatives, or the Legislature, any elector may appeal such decision within five business days to the Nebraska Supreme Court as an original action or shall waive any right to appeal such decision; in which case the burden of proof shall be upon the Secretary of State to demonstrate by clear and convincing evidence that the candidate has met the requirements set forth in this article and therefore should not have the information “DISREGARDED VOTERS INSTRUCTION ON TERM LIMITS” or “DECLINED TO PLEDGE TO SUPPORT TERM LIMITS” printed on the ballot adjacent to the candidate’s name.

(6) If the Secretary of State determines that the information “DISREGARDED VOTERS INSTRUCTION ON TERM LIMITS” or “DECLINED TO PLEDGE TO SUPPORT TERM

LIMITS” shall be placed on the ballot adjacent to a candidate’s name, the candidate or any elector may appeal such decision within five business days to the Nebraska Supreme Court as an original action or shall waive any right to appeal such decision; in which case the burden of proof shall be upon the candidate or any elector to demonstrate by clear and convincing evidence that the candidate should not have the information “DISREGARDED VOTERS INSTRUCTION ON TERM LIMITS” or “DECLINED TO PLEDGE TO SUPPORT TERM LIMITS” printed on the ballot adjacent to the candidate’s name.

(7) The Nebraska Supreme Court shall hear the appeal provided for in subsection (5) of this section and issue a decision within sixty days. The Nebraska Supreme Court shall hear the appeal provided for in subsection (6) of this section and issue a decision not later than sixty-one days before the date of the election. (Adopted 1996.)

Sec. 6. At such time as the congressional term limits amendment set forth in Article XVIII, section 1, of this Constitution, has become part of the United States Constitution, sections 1 through 6 of this article automatically shall be repealed. (Adopted 1996.)

Sec. 7. Any legal challenge to this initiative shall be filed as an original action before the Nebraska Supreme Court. (Adopted 1996.)

Sec. 8. If any portion, clause, or phrase of this initiative is, for any reason, held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining portions, clauses, and phrases shall not be affected, but shall remain in full force and effect. (Adopted 1996.)

The Constitution of 1875 was authenticated and attested by the following members of that convention:

John Lee Webster, President	Henry Grebe	C. W. Pierce
O. A. Abbott	Edwin N. Grenell	S. B. Pound
Luke Agur	George L. Griffing	Isaac Powers Jr.
J. P. Becker	William A. Gwyer	M. B. Reese
J. E. Boyd	Andrew Hallner	W. M. Robertson
Clinton Briggs	J. D. Hamilton	Josiah Rogers
Jefferson H. Broady	James Harper	J. H. Sauls
Charles H. Brown	Robert B. Harrington	H. H. Shedd
S. F. Burtch	J. B. Hawley	George S. Smith
S. H. Calhoun	M. L. Hayward	W. H. Sterns
E. C. Carns	D. P. Henry	R. F. Stevenson
T. S. Clark	B. I. Hinman	John J. Thompson
S. H. Coats	M. R. Hopewell	L. B. Thorne
A. H. Conner	C. E. Hunter	Jacob Vallery Sr.
W. B. Cummins	A. G. Kendall	C. H. VanWyck
James W. Dawes	S. M. Kirkpatrick	Charles T. Walther
J. E. Doom	James Laird	A. M. Walling
W. L. Dunlap	Charles F. Manderson	T. L. Warrington
R. C. Eldridge	Frank Martin	A. J. Weaver
J. G. Ewan	A. W. Matthews	M. W. Wilcox
S. R. Foss	Samuel Maxwell	J. P. Zediker
C. H. Frady	John McPherson	
Joseph Garber	W. H. Munger	
C. H. Gere	J. H. Perry	

The Constitution of 1920 was authenticated and attested by the following members of that convention:

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I. L. Albert	George Jackson	Herbert Rhoades
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Walter L. Anderson	Geo. C. Junkin	Elmer E. Ross
Geo. S. Austin	Harry L. Keefe	Charles L. Saunders
Joseph G. Beeler	H. G. Keeney	P. W. Scott
Anson H. Bigelow	William G. Kieck	C. W. Sears
A. T. Bratton	James G. Kunz	William A. Selleck
Wilbur F. Bryant	Thos. Lahners	Seymour S. Sidner
B. F. Butler	George Landgren	O. S. Spillman
Albert H. Byrum	Harry Lehman	E. J. Spirk
Henry R. Cleve	J. G. W. Lewis	A. W. Sprick
Charles H. Cornell	H. D. Lute	W. M. Stebbins
Festus Corrothers	George A. Magney	John M. Stewart
Edward A. Coufal	Frank Malicky	Emil G. Stolley
E. S. Cowan	E. M. Marvin	David E. Strong
John A. Davies	R. A. Matteson	Edward Sughroue
A. J. Donahoe	W. A. Meserve	Murt. M. Sullivan
J. A. Donohoe	N. P. McDonald	C.V. Svoboda
H. C. Elwood	Charles F. McLaughlin	W.J. Taylor
Chas. H. Epperson	Charles McLeod	L.J. Te Poel
I. D. Evans	Geo. E. Norman	Chas J. Thielen
Emil Fauquet	J. N. Norton	M.D. Tyler
Edgar Ferneau	R. S. Norval	A.L. Ullstrom
C. C. Flansburg	Fred A. Nye	L.A. Varner
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# STATISTICS ON CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS, INITIATED AND REFERRED MEASURES

## Vote on Constitutional Amendments, September 1920

At a special election on Sept. 21, 1920, Nebraska voters considered the 41 proposals submitted by the constitutional convention of 1919-20. Separate ballot boxes were provided for female voters because there was a legal question about whether women were entitled at that time to vote on constitutional amendments. The men rejected Proposal No. 6, permitting the Legislature to increase the membership of the Senate. Women voters gave a majority of 4,458 votes for the measure. Their votes were allowed, and the proposal was approved. On the other propositions, the men's and women's votes resulted in a favorable majority.

The following tabulation gives men's and women's votes separately and the combined vote.

Amendment Number	Men		Women		Total		Total Vote
	For	Against	For	Against	For	Against	
1.....	48,743	15,400	15,807	2,434	64,550	17,834	82,384
2.....	49,619	13,363	16,302	1,860	65,921	15,223	81,144
3.....	52,111	12,089	17,515	1,535	69,626	13,624	83,250
4.....	42,379	16,862	13,667	2,972	56,046	19,834	75,880
5.....	45,185	16,899	14,309	3,183	59,494	20,082	79,576
6.....	30,153	32,266	10,930	6,472	41,083	38,738	79,821
7.....	42,239	17,094	14,094	2,659	56,333	19,753	76,086
8.....	39,425	15,105	13,048	2,309	52,473	17,414	69,887
9.....	47,973	12,909	15,602	1,594	63,575	14,503	78,078
10.....	49,250	13,996	16,149	1,965	65,399	15,961	81,360
11.....	51,359	9,910	16,154	1,254	67,513	11,164	78,677
12.....	44,439	11,442	14,396	1,378	58,835	12,820	71,655
13.....	45,391	14,168	15,093	1,942	60,484	16,110	76,594
14.....	43,653	15,542	14,483	2,254	58,136	17,796	75,932
15.....	42,751	13,844	13,583	2,064	56,334	15,908	72,242
16.....	49,836	10,885	15,306	1,559	65,142	12,444	77,586
17.....	44,073	17,051	12,839	4,302	56,912	21,353	78,265
18.....	47,471	14,462	18,012	954	65,483	15,416	80,899
19.....	54,763	7,605	17,216	1,081	71,979	8,686	80,665
20.....	49,923	10,505	16,117	1,356	66,040	11,861	77,901
21.....	51,282	11,958	15,261	2,445	66,543	14,403	80,946
22.....	42,119	17,235	12,743	3,973	54,862	21,208	76,070
23.....	45,725	13,242	15,270	2,123	60,995	15,365	76,360
24.....	49,873	11,734	17,040	1,465	66,913	13,199	80,112
25.....	44,015	14,723	15,009	2,361	59,024	17,084	76,108
26.....	44,903	13,489	14,202	2,072	59,105	15,561	74,666
27.....	52,492	10,793	16,411	1,798	68,903	12,591	81,494
28.....	48,454	12,861	15,009	1,831	63,463	14,692	78,155
29.....	41,771	15,371	13,768	1,994	55,539	17,365	72,904
30.....	47,658	11,218	14,118	1,769	61,776	12,987	74,763
31.....	51,282	11,958	15,261	2,445	66,543	14,403	80,946
32.....	47,828	9,721	14,254	1,307	62,082	11,028	73,110
33.....	44,735	11,648	13,847	1,808	58,582	13,456	72,038
34.....	49,612	8,608	14,831	1,093	64,443	9,701	74,144
35.....	49,265	8,388	15,088	1,056	64,353	9,444	73,797

## Vote on Constitutional Amendments, September 1920 (Cont'd.)

Amendment Number	Men		Women		Total		Total Vote
	For	Against	For	Against	For	Against	
36.....	53,576	6,502	16,285	875	69,861	7,377	77,238
37.....	51,221	9,095	16,792	1,223	68,013	10,318	78,331
38.....	43,219	18,263	14,285	3,210	57,504	21,473	78,977
39.....	45,735	12,736	14,509	1,919	60,244	14,655	74,899
40.....	46,544	13,254	14,849	2,256	61,393	15,510	76,903
41.....	40,982	12,721	13,712	1,541	54,694	14,262	68,956

## Proposals Submitted by the Constitutional Convention of 1919-20

Number	Proposal
1.....	Authorize five-sixths jury verdict in civil cases
2.....	Permit regulation by law of property rights of aliens
3.....	Declare English the official language of the state and require common school branches to be taught therein
4.....	Reduce percentages in number of signatures required for initiative and referendum
5.....	Require district legislative apportionment in counties entitled to two or more representatives or senators; omit state census
6.....	Increase number of state senators from 33 to 50
7.....	Increase legislative salaries from \$600 to \$800
8.....	Revise legislative procedure relating to adoption of conference reports and first and second readings of bills
9.....	Prohibit appointment of state legislators to state offices
10.....	Prohibit raising of salaries during terms of office
11.....	Reserve mineral rights for state lands
12.....	Eliminate obsolete 1875 legislative apportionment
13.....	Provide for creation of new executive offices by two-thirds vote of the Legislature, executive budget, Board of Pardons and five-year residence requirement for office of governor
14.....	Create office of tax commissioner; provide Board of Equalization
15.....	Revise organization, jurisdiction and procedure of courts and election of judges
16.....	Require concurrence of five Supreme Court judges to declare laws unconstitutional
17.....	Provide for election of Supreme Court judges by districts
18.....	Provide for women's suffrage
19.....	Provide for soldier suffrage
20.....	Provide for distribution of temporary school fund
21.....	Prohibit sale of school lands except at public auction
22.....	Provide for election of university regents by districts
23.....	Prohibit state aid to sectarian institutions
24.....	Raise age for commitment to industrial schools from 16 to 18
25.....	Provide Board of Education for normal schools
26.....	Require uniform and proportional taxes on tangible property and franchises; permit classification of other property and taxes other than property taxes
27.....	Allow tax exemptions, including \$200 of household goods to each family; revise forestry exemptions
28.....	Place county tax limit at 50 cents on \$100 actual valuation
29.....	Provide for changes in county boundaries
30.....	Require public utility corporations to report to Railway Commission
31.....	Prohibit consolidation of competing public utility corporations without permission of Railway Commission
32.....	Regulate stocks and dividends of public utility corporations
33.....	Permit metropolitan cities to adopt their present charter as home rule charter
34.....	Insure cooperative features in certain associations; permit limitation of shares and voting; regulate foreign corporations; allow stocks and bonds to be issued only for actual value
35.....	Define priority rights in use of water power
36.....	Secure title of state to water power sites
37.....	Permit creation of industrial commission to administer laws relative to labor disputes and profiteering

## Proposals Submitted by the Constitutional Convention of 1919-1920 (Cont'd.)

Number	Proposal
38.....	Permit regulation as to minimum wage and conditions of employment of women and children
39.....	Provide that constitutional amendments submitted by Legislature be adopted by a majority voting on the question, if affirmative vote is no less than 35 percent of total voters in election
40.....	Fix increased salaries of state officers, including judges of Supreme Court and district courts, effective until changed by Legislature (not more often than once in eight years)
41.....	Eliminate obsolete provisions and provide continuing schedule

### Vote on Constitutional Amendments, 1882-2014

Following is an explanation of the percentages of votes needed for adoption of constitutional amendments.

**Amendments proposed by the Legislature.** From 1875 to 1920, an amendment proposed by the Legislature could be adopted only if a majority of the people voting in the election approved the amendment. This explains why many early amendment proposals were rejected, even when a majority of those voting on the question voted in favor of it. The constitution was changed in 1920, allowing an amendment to be approved by a majority of those voting on the question, provided the affirmative vote was no less than 35 percent of the total votes cast at the election. This requirement has continued to the present.

**Amendments proposed by initiative petition.** An amendment proposed by initiative petition and placed on the ballot is adopted if a majority of those voting on the amendment vote in favor of it, provided the affirmative vote is no less than 35 percent of the total votes cast at the election. This has been the requirement since 1912, when initiative provisions were added to the constitution.

**Amendments proposed by a constitutional convention.** An amendment proposed by a constitutional convention need only be approved by a majority of those voting on the amendment. This has been the requirement since 1875, when the constitution was first written. This explains why all 41 amendments submitted by the constitutional convention of 1919-20 were approved, even though none of the amendments received more than 72,000 votes in an election with 390,833 total voters.

## Vote on Constitutional Amendments, 1882-2014

Year Voted On	+ or -	Subject of Amendment	For	Against	Recount		Total Votes Cast*
					For	Against	
1882	-	1. Woman suffrage, authorization .....	25,756	50,693	-	-	89,068
1884	-	1. Legislators, term of office two years, salary \$300, sessions not less than 60 days .....	51,959	17,766	-	-	-
	-	2. Board of Railway Commissioners, term of office two years, requirement of residence at seat of government .....	22,297	44,488	-	-	133,555
1886	+	1. Legislators, term of office two years, salary \$5 per day (instead of \$3 as hitherto) while in session; session limit 100 days, 60 days at one time .....	65,712	22,236	72,497	22,135 <sup>1</sup>	138,239
1890	-	1. Liquor traffic prohibition .....	82,292	111,728	-	-	-
	-	2. Liquor traffic licensing .....	75,462	91,084	-	-	-
	-	3. Supreme Court, increase to five judges, term of office five years .....	86,418	53,022	-	-	-
	-	4. Supreme Court, salary increase from \$2,500 to \$3,500; district court, from \$2,500 to \$3,000 .....	69,192	61,519	-	-	214,861
1892	-	1. Board of Railway Commissioners, creation, term of office three years .....	80,032	14,185	80,569 <sup>2</sup>	-	-
	-	2. Permanent educational funds, investment .....	84,426	11,258	89,050	-	197,474
1896	-	1. Supreme Court, increase to five judges, term of office five years .....	84,579	37,896	97,644	37,029 <sup>3</sup>	-
	-	2. Supreme Court and district court judges, compensation to be established by Legislature and not changed more often than once in four years .....	61,119	48,533	-	-	-
	-	3. Executive state officers, compensation to be established by Legislature and not changed more often than once in four years .....	59,496	47,611	-	-	-
	-	4. Judicial power to be vested in Supreme Court, district courts, county courts, justices of the peace, police magistrates and in such other courts inferior to Supreme Court as may be created by law .....	60,094	45,377	-	-	-
	-	5. Judges, Legislature may increase number in Supreme Court and district courts and judicial districts of state, but not more often than once in four years .....	59,343	46,576	-	-	-
	-	6. Five-sixths jury verdict. Legislature may provide in civil actions and may also provide trial by jury of less than 12 men in courts inferior to the district court .....			73,573	39,006	-

\*Total votes cast in election, including ballots of people not voting on particular amendment indicated. Prior to 1906, the number of total votes cast was determined using the total votes for governor.

- Rejected or declared void by Nebraska Supreme Court.

+ Adopted.

## Vote on Constitutional Amendments, 1882-2014 (Cont'd.)

Year Voted On	+ or -	Subject of Amendment	For	Against	Total Votes Cast*
	-	7. Executive state officers, number, including Railway Commissioners, term of office .....	67,045	40,597	-
	-	8. State officers, manner of increasing number .....	60,246	44,063	-
	-	9. Educational funds, investment .....	78,447	36,619	-
	-	10. Questions of merging government of any city of metropolitan class and government of county in which city is located, to be submitted to voters.....	56,960	47,634	-
	-	11. Votes to be by ballot or by such other method as may be prescribed by law .....	62,303	44,370	-
	-	12. Questions of donations to works of internal improvement and manufacturers must be submitted to qualified electors and ratified by a two-thirds vote.....	60,479	45,669	217,763
1904 <sup>4</sup>	-	1. Constitution, provisions for revising, amending and changing.....	32,820	23,497	232,457
1906 <sup>5</sup>	+	1. Board of Railway Commissioners, duties, term of office six years.....	147,472	8,896	194,692
1908	+	1. Supreme Court, number of judges seven, provision for election, term of office six years, salary \$4,500; district court judges, \$3,000 .....	214,218	16,271	-
	+	2. Educational funds investment .....	213,000	14,395	271,491
1910	-	1. Suffrage, limit to full citizens of United States, 21 years old and resident of state for six months preceding the election in precinct or ward <sup>6</sup> .....	100,450	74,878	243,390
1912	+	1. Initiative and referendum, authorization .....	189,200	15,315	-
	+	2. Legislators, term of office two years, salary \$600 .....	173,225	26,355	-
	+	3. Board of Commissioners of State Institutions, creation .....	174,939	25,439	-
	+	4. Biennial elections, establishment.....	174,151	25,048	-
	+	5. Home rule charters, authorization for cities of more than 5,000 inhabitants.....	164,579	32,041	259,124
1914	-	1. Uniform and progressive taxation, provision .....	88,068	82,136	-
	-	2. Five-sixths jury verdict, authorization .....	102,891	63,596	-
	-	3. Executive state officers, salaries .....	89,385	76,013	-
	-	4. Women's suffrage authorization <sup>7</sup> .....	90,738	100,842	246,941
1916	+	1. Liquor traffic, prohibition <sup>7</sup> .....	146,574	117,132	-
	-	2. Pure Food Department, creation <sup>7</sup> .....	91,215	105,993	302,685
1918	+	1. Suffrage, limit to full citizens.....	123,292	51,600	225,717
1920 <sup>8</sup>	+ 41	.....			390,833
1924	-	1. Direct primary and nonpartisan elections, establishment <sup>7</sup> .....	163,932	228,485	471,600

## Vote on Constitutional Amendments, 1882-2014 (Cont'd.)

Year Voted On	+ or -	Subject of Amendment	For	Against	Total Votes Cast*
1928 <sup>9</sup>	-	1. Schools for blind and deaf, control .....	240,995	185,410	554,762
1930	+	1. Stockholders in failed banks, liability.....	182,536	92,593	-
	-	2. Depositors' guaranty fund, relief .....	120,554	144,882	451,904
1934	+	1. Liquor traffic, repeal of prohibition.....	328,074	218,107	-
	+	2. Creation of unicameral, nonpartisan legislature <sup>7</sup> .....	286,086	193,152	-
	+	3. Pari-mutuel betting, authorization <sup>7</sup> .....	251,111	187,455	578,764
1936	+	1. Land Commissioner, abolition of office.....	246,682	210,143	-
	-	2. Stockholders in banks, liability .....	204,904	234,908	617,066
1938	-	1. Slot machines, licensing <sup>7</sup> .....	115,189	333,120	-
	+	2. Stockholders in failed banks, liability.....	190,328	178,998	-
	-	3. Elective executive officers, reduction of number.....	89,357	233,319	-
	-	4. State superintendent of public instruction, member of Board of Educational Lands and Funds .....	145,345	168,035	-
	-	5. Board of Pardons, change of membership.....	111,284	189,056	-
	-	6. Elective state executive officers, recall.....	124,829	170,883	507,471
1940	+	1. State superintendent of public instruction, member of Board of Educational Lands and Funds .....	239,805	179,600	-
	-	2. County government, optional form .....	173,107	254,639	623,781
1942	-	1. County government, optional form .....	125,513	160,801	387,992
1944	-	1. Gas tax, prohibition of diversion <sup>7</sup> .....	205,262	271,901	568,464
1946	+	1. Closed shop, abolition <sup>7</sup> .....	212,443	142,702	-
	-	2. Schools, state aid <sup>7</sup> .....	101,881	260,345	399,501
1948	-	1. Minerals, taxation.....	150,071	190,526	497,084
1950	-	1. Legislature, annual or biennial sessions, 30-50 members, term of office four years, compensation to be provided by law .....	71,173	129,677	459,319
1952	+	1. Courts, boards or commissions, effective date of compensation.....	224,452	151,977	-
	+	2. Motor vehicle tax.....	248,292	166,767	-
	-	3. Legislature, increasing salary of .....	196,842	184,940	-
	+	4. State Department of Education, establishment.....	243,116	144,426	-
	+	5. Constitutional convention, provisions for calling .....	229,919	126,438	-
	+	6. Constitutional amendments, reducing publication to three issues .....	277,033	93,280	616,236

## Vote on Constitutional Amendments, 1882-2014 (Cont'd.)

Year Voted On	+ or -	Subject of Amendment	For	Against	Total Votes Cast*
1954	-	1. Officers' salaries, remove eight-year restriction .....	159,361	163,006	-
	+	2. Board of Educational Lands and Funds, method of appointing members.....	163,108	144,743	-
	-	3. Executive officers, change residence requirements.....	149,447	149,767	-
	+	4. Property values, methods of determining uniform value.....	167,979	134,006	-
	-	5. County assessors and boards of equalization and assessment, appointment.....	134,938	175,621	-
	+	6. Household goods, exempt from taxation.....	185,972	139,238	-
	+	7. On adoption of sales or income tax, prohibition of property tax .....	189,444	128,250	-
	-	8. Tax commissioner or Tax Commission, appointment .....	149,108	149,134	431,917
1956	+	1. Overloading vehicles, change allocation of fines and penalties .....	238,008	219,552	-
	+	2. Grain tax .....	251,513	193,282	-
	-	3. Absolve realty tax .....	194,858	206,006	-
	+	4. Officers' salaries, remove eight-year restriction .....	236,364	209,162	-
	-	5. Tax commissioner or Tax Commission, appointment .....	194,812	213,936	584,786
1958	+	1. Executive officers, change resident requirements .....	183,915	126,938	-
	+	2. Property taxes and assessment charges unpaid for 15 years, cancel.....	206,055	107,152	-
	+	3. Vacancy in office of governor, revise line of succession.....	243,913	68,673	-
	+	4. Abolish Board of Control; provide for management, control and government of state institutions .....	218,062	98,109	-
	-	5. Legislature, increase salaries.....	111,447	209,122	-
	+	6. Separate Juvenile Court, create.....	238,290	98,813	-
	-	7. Municipalities acquire, own and lease property to private enterprises.....	124,026	175,874	-
	+	8. Public power districts, in lieu of taxes <sup>7</sup> .....	197,348	123,342	-
	+	9. Bingo <sup>7</sup> .....	214,923	151,350	430,769
1960	+	1. Government, continuity in emergencies.....	388,813	82,281	-
	+	2. Preferred stock, value, voting rights.....	230,472	170,442	-
	+	3. Livestock, change method of taxation.....	245,503	185,186	-
	+	4. Executive officers, contesting of elections for .....	283,128	126,805	-
	+	5. Bonded warehouses, exempt from taxation goods in storage.....	221,405	193,191	-

## Vote on Constitutional Amendments, 1882-2014 (Cont'd.)

Year Voted On	+ or -	Subject of Amendment	For	Against	Total Votes Cast*
	+	6. County judges, election; county judge judicial districts, formation of .....	234,990	198,158	-
	+	7. Legislators, increase salaries .....	298,716	145,113	-
	+	8. Municipalities, acquire, own and lease property to private enterprises .....	336,631	129,312	-
	-	9. Commissioner of education, election of <sup>e</sup> .....	228,321	304,014	619,399
1962	+	1. Lottery on gift enterprises, authorization .....	342,695	85,926	-
	+	2. State Railway Commission, election from districts .....	227,709	135,556	-
	+	3. Lieutenant governor, candidacy for governor.....	307,740	85,774	-
	+	4. Governor and lieutenant governor, four-year terms.....	198,601	195,177	-
	+	5. Legislators, four-year terms.....	214,651	168,618	-
	+	6. Chief justice, judges of Supreme Court and district court judges, appointment .....	220,181	150,212	-
	+	7. Legislative districts, reapportionment.....	218,019	175,613	472,249
1964	-	1. Commissioner of education, election of <sup>f</sup> .....	222,667	324,266	-
	+	2. State officials, term of office for.....	306,408	187,692	-
	+	3. Certain veterans, tax exemption for.....	368,913	120,714	-
	+	4. Intangible property for tax purposes, classification of .....	251,035	204,613	-
	+	5. Certain motor vehicles, different method of taxing .....	236,607	215,173	-
	+	6. Certain state executive officers, realignment of duties .....	270,280	159,942	-
	+	7. Certain loans, authorize Legislature to separately define, classify and regulate, and establish maximum interest rates .....	260,922	233,387	592,673
1966	+	1. Ineligibility of elective officers, eliminate .....	238,417	167,874	-
	-	2. Legislators, travel expenses for.....	162,020	255,624	-
	-	3. Private vocational schools, contracts with governmental subdivisions .....	174,704	231,587	-
	+	4. Board of Education, increase membership.....	268,029	141,722	-
	-	5. Agricultural land use, valuation of .....	153,127	240,083	-
	-	6. Parochial or private schools, transportation services for .....	191,986	253,945	-
	+	7. Judges, removal or retirement of .....	323,244	77,877	-
	+	8. State income tax law, based upon federal laws.....	215,696	176,326	-
	+	9. Governor, limitation to two consecutive terms .....	258,332	150,405	-
	+	10. State real estate taxes, payment or cancellation of taxes .....	219,424	161,547	-

## Vote on Constitutional Amendments, 1882-2014 (Cont'd.)

Year Voted On	+ or -	Subject of Amendment	For	Against	Total Votes Cast*
	+	11. Unsold school lands, administration of .....	230,970	144,856	-
	+	12a. Educational funds, investment of .....	223,845	142,903	-
	+	12b. Investment of other funds, Legislature to provide for.....	193,215	153,163	-
	+	13a. Legislature to be elected, change method of apportionment.....	201,130	150,149	-
	+	13b. Legislature, specify representation in districts changed by reapportionment.....	181,403	144,644	-
	-	14. State property tax, restriction on.....	182,364	218,061	-
	+	15. Intangible property tax exemptions, life insurance contracts.....	270,377	112,067	-
	+	16. State property tax, termination of <sup>f</sup> .....	223,969	216,093	497,995
1968	-	1. Electors, reduce voting age to 19.....	246,672	255,051	-
	+	2. Normal schools, rename and designate governing body.....	249,809	182,508	-
	+	3. County offices, consolidation .....	256,346	178,736	-
	+	4. Election contests, jurisdiction by Supreme Court.....	250,863	165,795	-
	+	5. Constitutional amendments, Legislature empowered to call special elections.....	258,178	162,880	-
	-	6. Personal property, classify or exempt from taxation.....	206,126	230,705	-
	+	7. University regents, redistrict and increase membership .....	221,625	194,995	-
	+	8. Lotteries, raffles and gift enterprises, use and regulation .....	306,577	139,260	-
	+	9. Board of Parole, establish.....	318,446	101,216	-
	-	10. Public electrical corporations, create.....	176,339	217,094	-
	+	11a. Legislators, appointment to other offices .....	254,876	149,333	-
	+	11b. Legislators, mid-term salary increases .....	226,298	152,752	-
	+	12. Homestead, tax exemption .....	238,143	178,037	-
	+	13. Education, long-term student loans .....	301,610	144,182	-
	+	14. Highway construction, state bonds and revenue for.....	224,927	208,758	-
	+	15. Legislators, increase salary.....	282,039	168,165	-
	-	16. Income tax, prohibit <sup>7</sup> .....	183,328	331,987	540,176
1970	+	1. Electors' voting age, reduce to 20.....	235,548	194,301	-
	+	2. Supreme Court judicial districts, redistricting of .....	230,589	148,941	-
	-	3. Legislature, eliminate reading of entire bill before final vote.....	170,873	222,788	-
	+	4. Retired Supreme Court or district court judge, call for duty.....	260,349	127,900	-

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Year Voted On	+ or -	Subject of Amendment	For	Against	Total Votes Cast*
	+	5. Universities and colleges, issue revenue bonds for facilities.....	233,330	143,373	-
	-	6. Mill levy, repeal county limitation.....	93,251	288,288	-
	-	7. Commission on Legislative Compensation, create.....	112,443	266,446	-
	-	8. Home Rule Charter or Convention, amendment of, increase number of electors.....	156,650	194,008	-
	+	9. Justice of Peace, eliminate; county court districts, permit; Supreme Court, administrative authority vested in; judges, regulations and restrictions; administrative director of courts, appointment of.....	198,450	165,087	-
	+	10. Personal property, classification, taxation.....	215,418	199,637	-
	+	11. Legislative, educational trust funds, management of.....	213,233	152,155	-
	-	12. Financial grants, students, nonpublic schools.....	182,827	250,529	-
	-	13a. Lieutenant governor, presiding officer of Legislature, eliminate.....	164,946	200,085	-
	+	13b. Lieutenant governor and governor, election, same political party, one vote jointly.....	187,147	146,695	-
	+	13c. Lieutenant governor, full-time duties.....	214,906	115,803	-
	-	14. Board of Trustees of Higher Education, establish.....	129,628	243,637	-
	+	15. Annual legislative sessions, limited length.....	194,971	173,064	471,055
1972 Primary Election					
	+	1. Legislature, clarify meaning and eliminate obsolete matter.....	255,656	62,482	-
	+	2. Legislature, annual appropriations.....	150,352	145,460	-
	+	3. Governor's budget bill, veto powers and effect.....	198,201	108,024	-
	+	4. Juvenile court judicial districts, creation or abolition.....	174,096	125,622	-
	+	5. Executive officers, clarification of Legislature's certification of each candidate's election.....	244,376	59,945	-
	+	6. Two-house Legislature, removal of obsolete language referring to.....	240,046	60,994	-
	+	7. Supreme Court budget, conform with annual sessions of Legislature.....	228,368	66,496	-
	+	8. Electors, reduce voting age to 18.....	218,569	92,838	-
	+	9. State and local governments, authorization of joint or governmental functions.....	183,458	107,092	-
	+	10. U.S. Senator, repeal obsolete provisions for election of.....	234,047	62,842	-
	+	11. Schedule, recodification and revision, removal of obsolete matter.....	220,803	66,448	-
	+	12. Industrial development bonds, transfer of provisions, eliminate conflicting provisions.....	178,140	104,162	-

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Year Voted On	+ or -	Subject of Amendment	For	Against	Total Votes Cast*
	+	13. Militia, revision.....	202,172	85,073	-
	+	14. Corporation, revision.....	178,361	97,246	-
	+	15a. Suffrage, change resident requirements .....	180,208	113,567	-
	+	15b. Eliminate exceptions to military duty on election day.....	164,230	109,508	-
	+	15c. Permit other methods of voting.....	167,375	107,260	-
	+	16. Education, disburse federal funds to private schools when authorized by federal law.....	173,405	163,683	413,015
1972 General Election					
	+	1. Legislature, qualifications of members .....	368,109	140,448	-
	+	2. Judiciary, change number of district judges, alter district boundaries.....	247,609	224,907	-
	-	3. Legislature, salary as set by law.....	169,310	326,063	-
	+	4. Felony, guarantee right of appeal.....	291,348	155,048	-
	+	5. Officers, removal, filling vacancies, succession to office of governor.....	266,481	186,734	-
	+	6. Felony, conviction, when prohibited from holding office.....	334,085	116,558	-
	+	7. Agricultural land, fix valuation, revenue, procedure .....	250,672	220,656	-
	-	8. Legislative officers and employees, include in state retirement system.....	222,724	244,581	-
	-	9. Legislature, per diem compensation for members, procedure for establishing.....	177,554	292,472	-
	+	10. Education, recodify, revise, clarify provisions.....	320,909	126,737	-
	+	11. Off-street parking, authorize revenue for .....	246,893	210,173	-
	+	12. Judicial Nominating Commission, release candidates' names, Supreme Court judge, nonvoting member.....	261,380	184,193	-
	+	13. State officers, employees, retirement benefits, cost-of-living changes .....	283,686	190,093	-
	-	14. Board of Equalization, change membership .....	218,761	227,652	-
	+	15. Conflicts of interest, standards, definitions for determining effects .....	237,263	200,183	-
	+	16. State Railway Commission, change name.....	282,678	177,575	591,616
1974 Primary Election					
	-	1. Legislature, increase salary from \$400 to \$675 per month.....	141,205	162,364	-
	-	2. Legislature, remove lieutenant governor as presiding officer, remove voting right.....	99,052	180,100	329,007

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Year Voted On	+ or -	Subject of Amendment	For	Against	Total Votes Cast*
1974 General Election					
	+	1. University of Nebraska Board of Regents, nonvoting student membership.....	198,737	198,024	-
	+	2. Legislature, regular sessions, commencement date change.....	199,036	175,221	-
	+	3. Legislature, submission of acts to governor .....	186,376	176,669	466,956
1976 General Election					
	-	1. Legislature, eliminate requirement that bills be read at large before final vote.....	207,816	315,089	-
	+	2. Legislature, override line item veto of appropriation bills.....	284,796	205,732	-
	-	3. Legislature, change date of regular session and terms of members.....	225,247	256,594	-
	-	4. Legislature, remove lieutenant governor as presiding officer.....	156,554	329,347	-
	-	5. Legislature, authorize political subdivision to issue bonds for redevelopment projects.....	210,684	277,671	-
	+	6a. Permit state to enter contracts providing nonsectarian service to handicapped children.....	289,683	229,824	-
	-	6b. Allow state to make loans or grants to students in private colleges, universities and other higher learning institutions.....	255,394	267,315	-
	-	7. Allow broadcasting of Industrial Development Act for counties and cities.....	195,008	283,674	-
	-	8. Legislature, increase salary from \$400 to \$675 per month.....	241,032	286,017	623,764
1978 General Election					
	+	1. Authorize municipalities to redevelop blighted properties.....	233,872	186,879	-
	-	2. Broaden Industrial Development Act for cities and counties to attract enterprises.....	200,314	200,711	-
	-	3. Tax exemption or credit for installation of alternate energy systems .....	198,980	204,544	-
	-	4. Change salary of members of Legislature.....	195,015	229,053	-
	+	5. Remove constitutional restrictions on retroactive application of retirement benefits .....	216,161	196,761	-
	+	6. Provide that offenses involving penetration by force or against will of victim be nonbailable.....	355,949	79,179	-
	+	7. Provide that State Board of Equalization equalize assessments of property among counties.....	210,109	163,718	511,010
1980 Primary Election					
	+	1. Allow governor to fill vacancy in office of lieutenant governor.....	203,135	114,254	-
	-	2. Compensation Review Commission, recommend changes in salaries.....	134,589	173,515	380,714

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Year Voted On	+ or -	Subject of Amendment	For	Against	Total Votes Cast*
1980 General Election					
-		1. Change number and formation of Supreme Court judicial districts.....	265,791	271,110	-
+		2. Change membership of Commission on Judicial Qualifications and provide disciplinary measures for judges .....	358,264	153,925	-
+		3. Authorize Legislature to provide tax exemption on energy conservation improvements.....	314,354	221,024	-
-		4. Provide that Legislature enact system of financing public education that imposes no unfair and excessive property tax burden.....	245,845	311,203	651,281
1982 Primary Election					
-		1. Members of Legislature, receive salary of not more than one-third of governor's salary .....	105,421	194,951	347,144
1982 General Election					
-		1. Require reading of legislative bills at large before final passage .....	210,647	264,826	-
+		2. Authorize use of revenue bonds to develop blighted property .....	220,771	215,083	-
-		3. Limit right of redemption of real estate sold for nonpayment of taxes.....	196,131	248,255	-
-		4. Provide reimbursement to members of Legislature for expenses.....	178,549	289,459	-
+		5. Authorize issuance of revenue bonds for construction of water retention or impoundment structures for conservation.....	247,607	179,550	-
+		6. Prohibit purchase of Nebraska farm and ranch lands by other than Nebraska family farm corporations <sup>7</sup> .....	290,377	224,555	559,422
1984 General Election					
+		1. Allow proceeds from forfeited or confiscated property to be divided equally between school fund and counties for drug enforcement purposes .....	392,824	180,137	-
+		2. Change provisions and procedures relating to disciplinary actions against judges .....	411,193	119,207	-
+		3. Allow municipalities to incur indebtedness to rehabilitate, acquire or redevelop substandard and blighted property .....	352,346	177,515	-
+		4. Authorize Legislature to separately classify agricultural and horticultural land .....	411,868	175,546	670,781
1986 General Election					
-		1. Change date on which Legislature convenes.....	223,673	228,808	-
+		2. Provide changes in impeachment procedure .....	257,398	173,281	576,271
1988 Primary Election					
+		1. Increase legislators' maximum monthly salaries from \$400 to \$1,000.....	206,065	166,026	403,177
1988 General Election					
+		1. Change finance provisions relating to redevelopment of substandard or blighted property by further defining project area .....	317,614	208,076	-

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Year Voted On	+ or -	Subject of Amendment	For	Against	Total Votes Cast*
	+	2. Authorize pari-mutuel wagering on horse races run within or outside the state conducted at licensed racetracks.....	366,682	219,438	-
	+	3a. Provide that only registered voters (instead of electors) may sign petitions for initiatives or referendums.....	380,863	177,861	-
	+	3b. Permit people who turn 18 on or before a general election date to vote during the calendar year of their 18th birthday.....	297,125	288,935	-
	+	4. Establish the right to keep and bear arms for lawful purposes <sup>7</sup> .....	393,829	216,528	678,669
1990 General Election					
	+	1. Provide that agricultural and horticultural land is a separate and distinct class of property for purposes of taxation.....	317,534	200,744	-
	+	2. Create the Intermediate Court of Appeals.....	337,667	166,185	-
	+	3. Empower municipalities to use local sources of revenue for economic and industrial development upon voter approval.....	302,981	202,155	-
	+	4. Establish the Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education.....	268,037	210,599	-
	-	5. Establish a Nebraska State Lottery System operated by certain nonprofit organizations <sup>7</sup> .....	202,814	371,711	-
	-	6. Establish a 2 percent limitation on annual budget increases of all governmental subdivisions <sup>7</sup> .....	178,749	400,872	604,195
1992 Primary Election					
	+	1. Separate tangible personal property from the uniform and proportionate provision applicable to real property; provide for the valuation of taxable tangible personal property; provide for the separate classification of property and franchises protected by federal law; harmonize a provision of law relating to limitations on county taxes; provide that tax legislation passed during the 1992 regular session is retroactive.....	204,147	155,918	393,183
1992 General Election					
	+	1a. Establish state lottery.....	440,973	267,928	-
	-	1b. Use proceeds of state lottery to compensate depositors of industrial loan and investment companies for unreimbursed losses.....	230,273	429,656	-
	+	2. Authorize governing bodies of municipalities and counties to approve, deny, suspend, cancel or revoke retail and bottle club liquor licenses.....	357,927	292,619	-
	-	3. Set limits on terms of certain elected state and U.S. congressional officials <sup>7,10</sup> .....	481,048	224,114	744,548
1994 General Election					
	-	1. Set limits on terms of certain elected state and U.S. congressional officials <sup>7,10</sup> .....	359,774	171,894	593,654
1996 Primary Election					
	+	1. Authorize Legislature to provide for enforcement of mediation, binding arbitration agreements and other forms of dispute resolution.....	172,882	69,218	-

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Year Voted On	+ or -	Subject of Amendment	For	Against	Total Votes Cast*
	+	2. Allow Legislature, with a three-fifths vote, to dispense with the reading of a bill or resolution when it is presented for final passage .....	160,443	88,208	-
	+	3. Prescribe that crime victims shall have certain rights .....	194,964	54,950	-
	+	4. Establish powers and duties for Tax Equalization and Review Commission; eliminate equalization powers of governor, tax commissioner, secretary of state, state auditor, state treasurer .....	127,718	110,594	300,586
1996 General Election					
	-	1. Remove the restriction that pari-mutuel wagering on horse races be conducted within licensed racetrack enclosures .....	236,600	388,462	-
	-	2. Authorize state senators to participate in employee benefit programs in which other state officers can participate .....	194,662	389,637	-
	-	3. Provide for mergers and consolidations of counties or other local governments; allow Legislature to provide for reasonable differences in tax rates within and outside municipalities and on different classes of property; change allocation of proceeds from motor vehicle taxes; provide that property of the state and its governmental subdivisions is exempt from taxation to the extent such property is used for public purposes; authorize classification and taxation of such property; repeal provisions dealing with township organization and towns .....	268,418	301,064	-
	+	4. Instruct Nebraska's members of Congress and state legislators to support a U.S. constitutional amendment limiting terms of members of Congress; place language on election ballots informing voters about candidates' positions on these term limits; instruct state legislators to apply to Congress to convene a convention to propose an amendment to the U.S. constitution limiting congressional terms <sup>11</sup> .....	345,071	246,665	-
	-	5. Provide that the number of signatures needed to place initiative and referendum proposals on the ballot be based on the number of votes cast for governor in the most recent general election <sup>7</sup> .....	242,687	330,112	-
	-	6. Make "quality education" a fundamental constitutional right of each person; provide that the "thorough and efficient education" of all people ages 5 to 21 in the common schools shall be the "paramount duty" of the state; require Legislature to establish school finance system to provide for thorough education in efficiently operated public schools <sup>7</sup> .....	146,426	506,246	-
	-	7. Create property tax levy limits for governmental subdivisions; authorize Legislature to prescribe means to determine fair market value of real property for property tax purposes; provide that value of real property for such purposes may not exceed 80 percent of fair market value for agricultural and horticultural land or 100 percent of fair market value for other real property; require Legislature to establish standards of efficiency for delivery of local governmental services <sup>7</sup> .....	167,204	490,113	686,749
1998 Primary Election					
	+	1. Allow state executive officers to reside anywhere in the state .....	236,717	67,127	-
	+	2. Require legislative committees to hold open meetings and require recording and publishing of certain votes by legislative committees .....	253,661	50,739	-

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Year Voted On	+ or -	Subject of Amendment	For	Against	Total Votes Cast*
	+	3. Eliminate language permitting imprisonment for debt in cases of fraud .....	141,077	140,372	-
	+	4. Eliminate language allowing the suspension of the writ of habeas corpus in certain cases.....	134,357	119,889	-
	+	5a. Require initiative measures to contain only one subject.....	193,543	76,707	-
	+	5b. Require referendum measures to refer to only one act of the Legislature.....	174,016	83,780	-
	-	6. Provide that the lieutenant governor shall no longer be the Legislature's presiding officer .....	118,495	145,133	-
	+	7a. Eliminate a requirement that session laws be published in book form.....	150,817	106,837	-
	+	7b. Transfer Article XVII, Section 6, which says the Legislature shall pass all laws necessary to carry out the provisions of the Constitution, to Article III, Section 30.....	160,964	84,410	-
	+	7c. Repeal requirement that printed copies of the Constitution be prefixed to books containing the laws of the state.....	150,652	101,488	362,567
1998 General Election					
	+	1. Provide that no person shall be denied equal protection of the laws .....	336,672	126,951	-
	+	2a. Change the way vehicle tax proceeds are allocated.....	266,513	188,390	-
	+	2b. Authorize legislation relating to mergers and consolidations by local governments .....	240,554	189,077	-
	+	2c. Provide that government property is exempt from taxation to the extent the property is used for public purposes; authorize classification and taxation of property not used for authorized public purposes.....	248,179	181,220	-
	-	2d. Repeal references to townships and towns.....	150,394	255,093	-
	+	3a. Allow Supreme Court judges to reside anywhere in the state.....	222,659	213,458	-
	-	3b. Provide for statewide votes on whether Supreme Court or appellate court judges should be retained in office.....	198,656	222,991	-
	-	4. Limit government spending by limiting state and local tax revenue increases? .....	191,046	340,862	581,775
2000 Primary Election					
	-	1. Eliminate an English language requirement for private, denominational and parochial schools.....	68,234	226,762	324,903
2000 General Election					
	+	1. Change the method of nominating and electing the lieutenant governor .....	322,554	299,849	-
	-	2. State that the language in the Constitution shall be construed to be gender neutral and to direct the secretary of state to revise the Constitution to implement such construction .....	257,932	344,052	-

## Vote on Constitutional Amendments, 1882-2014 (Cont'd.)

Year Voted On	+ or -	Subject of Amendment	For	Against	Total Votes Cast*
	-	3a. Change election procedures for constitutional amendments to require two separate votes by the electorate.....	225,690	365,793	-
	+	3b. Identify the powers of initiative and referendum and to remove obsolete language .....	388,402	169,580	-
	-	3c. Change filing requirements for initiative petitions .....	212,383	356,144	-
	+	4. Change the effective date of compensation changes made by the Legislature for the judiciary to allow the changes to take effect for all judges at the beginning of the full term of any judge of any court in the state.....	316,008	245,782	-
	+	5. Require the resignation of members of the Legislature elected to other state or local offices except as otherwise provided by law.....	449,656	126,364	-
	+	6. Provide that no person shall be eligible to serve as a member of the Nebraska Legislature for four years after the expiration of two consecutive legislative terms' .....	355,030	280,985	-
	+	7. Provide that only marriage between a man and a woman shall be valid or recognized in Nebraska and to provide further that the uniting of two persons of the same sex in a civil union, domestic partnership or other similar same-sex relationship shall not be valid' .....	477,571	203,667	707,223
2002 General Election					
	-	1. Clarify English language requirements in schools.....	186,667	244,363	-
	-	2. Authorize the use of revenue bonds to develop and lease property for use for nonprofit enterprises as determined by law .....	167,255	245,139	490,914
2004 General Election					
	+	1. Authorize exemption of certain improvements to historically significant real property from property taxation .....	406,230	288,544	-
	-	2. Remove the lieutenant governor's duties as presiding officer of the Legislature and designate the speaker as presiding officer of the Legislature; eliminate a provision that allows the lieutenant governor to vote on issues before the Legislature when the vote is a tie .....	262,040	408,515	-
	-	3. Define casino gaming and permit the Legislature to authorize up to two casino locations subject to approval by voters in the affected counties and provide for the authorization, operation, regulation and taxation of casino gaming .....	267,655	482,301	-
	+	4. Require the Legislature to appropriate 10 percent of state lottery proceeds to the Nebraska State Fair Board .....	403,073	321,410	-
	-	5. Provide that people may enact laws by initiative measure to provide for the authorization, operation, regulation and taxation of all forms of games of chance' .....	363,478	380,424	-
	+	6. Require a vote of at least two-thirds of the Legislature to amend, repeal, modify or impair a law enacted by the people by initiative' .....	402,709	331,908	792,897
2006 Primary Election					
	-	1. Increase the annual salary of members of the Legislature to \$21,000 and increase annually according to changes in a consumer price index.....	168,635	208,187	400,687

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Year Voted On	+ or -	Subject of Amendment	For	Against	Total Votes Cast*
2006 General Election					
-		1. Authorize the use of revenue bonds to develop and lease property for use by nonprofit enterprises as determined by law .....	244,535	280,471	-
-		2. Authorize the investment of the public endowment funds of cities, villages, school districts, public power districts, and other political subdivisions in such manner and in such investments as the governing body of such political subdivision may determine, subject to limitations by the Legislature.....	221,499	292,456	-
-		3. Increase the amount of state lottery proceeds to be distributed to the Compulsive Gamblers Assistance Fund.....	215,827	336,410	-
+		4. Permit supervision of individuals sentenced to probation, released on parole, or enrolled in court programs or services by the judicial and executive departments as provided by the Legislature.....	283,639	221,148	-
+		5. Permit use of funds dedicated to the common schools for early childhood educational purposes.....	291,454	243,988	-
-		6. Remove a requirement that property be substandard and blighted for purposes of rehabilitating, acquiring, or redeveloping such property through use of public debt or special property tax treatment, to add developed as a purpose for use of the constitutional provision authorizing public debt and special property provision, and to authorize the Legislature to extend the term of such special tax treatment from fifteen to thirty years.....	151,041	344,483	-
-		7. Impose a state spending limit based on a calculation involving previous appropriations, the inflation rate and population change <sup>7</sup> ....	172,859	406,419	610,499
2008 Primary Election					
+		1. Allow investment of public endowment funds by cities authorized by the Nebraska Constitution to establish a charter .....	137,047	99,920	260,150
2008 General Election					
-		1. Remove a requirement that cities and villages use only general tax revenue for economic and industrial development projects and programs .....	312,125	371,664	-
+		2. Prohibit the State, any public institution of higher education, political subdivision or government institution from discriminating against, or granting preferential treatment to, any individual or group based upon race, sex, color, ethnicity or national origin <sup>7</sup> .....	404,766	298,401	814,012
2010 Primary Election					
+		1. Authorize the use of revenue bonds by nonprofit enterprises .....	129,018	116,708	278,238
2010 General Election					
+		1. Change the power of municipalities to fund development sources....	221,295	216,419	-
-		2. Abolish the office of state treasurer.....	146,935	299,882	497,248
2012 General Election					
+		1. Provide that any misdemeanor while in pursuit of his or her office is grounds for impeachment of a civil officer.....	594,725	121,778	-
+		2. Establish the right to hunt, to fish and to harvest wildlife and to state that public hunting, fishing and harvesting wildlife shall be a preferred means of managing and controlling wildlife .....	546,666	165,833	-

## Vote on Constitutional Amendments, 1882-2014 (Cont'd.)

Year Voted On	+ or -	Subject of Amendment	For	Against	Total Votes Cast*
2012 General Election					
	-	3. Change the limit on legislative terms to three consecutive terms.....	258,231	472,386	-
	-	4. Change the salary of members of the Legislature to \$25,000 .....	232,329	503,038	802,745

<sup>1</sup> 27,788 ballots were cast on which electors expressed no choice as to such amendment. 16,013 ballots were cast on which were printed "For proposed amendment to constitution relating to the legislative department" and "Against proposed amendment to the constitution relating to the legislative department" and neither proposition was erased. (*Nebraska House Journal, 1887, Page 969.*)

<sup>2</sup> For analysis of vote and recount, see earlier editions of the *Nebraska Blue Book*.

<sup>3</sup> *Nebraska House Journal, 1897, Page 1055.*

<sup>4</sup> Last election at which total vote was calculated from the total vote for governor.

<sup>5</sup> First election under provision permitting state party conventions to adopt proposed amendments and all "party circle ballots" to be counted. Both Republican and Democratic parties adopted amendment.

<sup>6</sup> Republican Party adopted amendment at primary and Democratic Party rejected it.

<sup>7</sup> Proposed by popular initiative.

<sup>8</sup> See the 41 proposals submitted by the constitutional convention of 1920 (Pages 251-252).

<sup>9</sup> Election declared void by the Nebraska Supreme Court.

<sup>10</sup> Amendment approved by voters but declared void by the Nebraska Supreme Court.

<sup>11</sup> U.S. District Court, District of Nebraska, blocked enforcement of portions of this amendment.

## Vote on Initiated and Referred Measures, 1914-2014

A proposal submitted to Nebraska voters by an initiative or referendum petition is adopted if a majority of those voting on the question vote in favor of it, provided that the affirmative votes are at least 35 percent of the total votes cast at that election. Provisions for initiative and referendum petitions were added to the Nebraska Constitution in 1912.

Year Voted On	+ or		Subject of Law	For	Against	Total Votes Cast*
	-	-				
1914	+	1.	Employer's liability .....	92,513	85,777	-
	-	2.	Nebraska City Armory.....	40,520	133,457	-
	-	3.	University removal .....	66,883	148,110	-
	-	4.	Women's suffrage, authorization <sup>1,2</sup> .....	90,738	100,842	246,941
1916	+	1.	Liquor traffic, prohibition <sup>1,2</sup> .....	146,574	117,132	-
	-	2.	Pure Food Department, creation <sup>1,2</sup> .....	91,215	105,993	302,685
1920	-	1.	Partial repeal of primary.....	49,410	133,115	390,833
1922	+	1.	Bank charters.....	172,675	149,240	-
	+	2.	Anti-picketing.....	186,101	140,419	-
	-	3.	Partial repeal of primary.....	95,494	208,261	-
	-	4.	Registration of voters .....	106,314	195,066	407,673
1924	-	1.	Direct primary and nonpartisan elections, establishment <sup>1,2</sup> .....	163,932	228,485	471,600
1930	-	1.	Authorization for cities and villages and public electric light and power districts to extend their lines <sup>1</sup> .....	144,595	157,107	-
	+	2.	Authorization for cities and towns owning electric light plants to extend their lines <sup>1</sup> .....	240,579	89,205	-
	-	3.	Prohibition of sale of municipally owned plants except for cash, etc. <sup>1</sup> .....	118,617	162,050	451,904
1932	-	1.	State police <sup>1</sup> .....	203,393	306,682	576,946
1934	+	1.	Creation of unicameral, nonpartisan Legislature <sup>1,2</sup> .....	286,086	193,152	-
	+	2.	Pari-mutuel betting authorization <sup>1,2</sup> .....	251,111	187,455	578,764
1938	-	1.	Slot machines, licensing <sup>1,2</sup> .....	115,189	333,120	507,471
1944	-	1.	Prohibition of liquor traffic <sup>1</sup> .....	130,947	397,190	-
	-	2.	Gas tax, prohibition of diversion <sup>1,2</sup> .....	205,262	271,901	568,464
1946	+	1.	Closed shop, abolition <sup>1,2</sup> .....	212,443	142,702	-
	-	2.	Schools, state aid <sup>1,2</sup> .....	101,881	260,345	399,501
1948	-	1.	Soldiers' bonus <sup>1</sup> .....	196,318	212,340	497,084
1950	+	1.	Repeal of increased gas tax .....	207,408	195,130	-
	+	2.	Repeal of increased vehicle registration fee .....	202,098	186,854	459,319
1956	-	1.	Ton mile tax <sup>1</sup> .....	241,128	311,528	584,786
	+	1.	Public power districts, in lieu of taxes <sup>1,2</sup> .....	197,348	123,342	-
1958	+	2.	Bingo <sup>1,2</sup> .....	214,923	151,350	430,769
	-	1.	Commissioner of education, election of <sup>1,2</sup> .....	228,321	304,014	619,399
1964	-	1.	Commissioner of education, election of <sup>1,2</sup> .....	222,667	324,266	592,673
1966	-	1.	Approval of income tax law .....	133,594	310,681	-
	+	2.	State property tax, termination of <sup>1,2</sup> .....	223,969	216,093	497,995
1968	-	1.	Income tax, prohibi <sup>1,2</sup> .....	183,328	331,987	540,176
1974	-	1.	State aid to schools.....	177,704	250,908	428,612
1978	-	1.	Provide increased state aid for public schools .....	190,963	266,578	-
	-	2.	Require deposits on beverage containers <sup>1</sup> .....	211,732	280,522	-
	-	3.	Limit political subdivision budget increase to 5 percent <sup>1</sup> .....	211,106	262,949	511,010
1982	+	1.	Prohibit purchase of Nebraska farm and ranch lands by other than Nebraska family farm corporations <sup>1,2</sup> .....	290,377	224,555	559,422
	-	1.	Retention of School consolidation law (LB 662).....	173,498	344,445	-
1986	-	2.	Retention of seat belt use law (LB 496).....	266,944	268,127	576,271
	-	1.	Withdraw Nebraska from Central Interstate Low-Level Radioactive Waste Compact <sup>1</sup> .....	225,174	414,394	-
1990	+	2.	Establish right to keep and bear arms for lawful purposes <sup>1,2</sup> .....	393,829	216,528	678,669
	-	1.	Establish a Nebraska State Lottery System operated by certain nonprofit organizations <sup>1,2</sup> .....	202,814	371,711	-
	-	2.	Establish a 2 percent limitation on annual budget increases of all governmental subdivisions <sup>1,2</sup> .....	178,749	400,872	-

\* Total votes cast in election, including ballots of people not voting on particular amendment indicated.

- Rejected or declared void by Nebraska Supreme Court.

+ Adopted.

## Vote on Initiated and Referred Measures, 1914-2014 (Cont'd.)

Year Voted On	+ or -	Subject of Law	For	Against	Total Votes Cast*
	+	3. Retention of the Tax Equity and Educational Opportunities Support Act (LB 1059).....	313,215	244,741	604,195
1992	-	1. Set limits on terms of certain elected state and U.S. congressional officials <sup>1,2,3</sup> .....	481,048	224,114	744,548
1994	-	1. Set limits on terms of certain elected state and U.S. congressional officials <sup>1,2,3</sup> .....	359,774	171,894	593,654
1996	+	1. Establish provisions relating to amending the U.S. constitution to limit terms of members of Congress <sup>1,2,4</sup> .....	345,071	246,665	-
	-	2. Provide that number of signatures needed to place initiative and referendum proposals on the ballot be based on votes cast for governor in the most recent general election <sup>1,2</sup> .....	242,687	330,112	-
	-	3. Make "quality education" a fundamental constitutional right of each person <sup>1,2</sup> .....	146,426	506,246	-
	-	4. Create property tax levy limits for governmental subdivisions and establish provisions relating to valuation of real property for tax purposes <sup>1,2</sup> .....	167,204	490,113	686,749
1998	-	1. Limit government spending by limiting state and local tax revenue increases <sup>1,2</sup> .....	191,046	340,862	-
	-	2. Establish certain requirements relating to local telephone network access charges <sup>1</sup> .....	223,421	306,052	581,775
2000	+	1. Provide that no person shall be eligible to serve as a member of the Legislature for four years after the expiration of two consecutive legislative terms <sup>1,2</sup> .....	355,030	280,985	-
	+	2. Provide that only marriage between a man and a woman shall be valid or recognized in Nebraska <sup>1,2</sup> .....	477,571	203,667	707,223
2004	-	1. Provide that the people may enact laws by initiative measure to provide for the authorization, operation, regulation and taxation for all forms of games of chance; distribute certain percentages of gaming revenue to the state and authorizing communities; and establish an annual fee on gaming operators <sup>1,2</sup> .....	363,478	380,424	-
	+	2. Provide that the Legislature shall not amend, repeal, modify or impair a law enacted by the people by initiative, except upon a vote of at least two-thirds of all the members of the Legislature <sup>1,2</sup> .....	402,709	331,908	-
	+	3. Establish an annual tax on gross gaming revenue generated at permitted locations; distribute certain percentages of gaming revenue to the state and authorizing communities; establish an annual fee on gaming operators <sup>1</sup> .....	380,161	362,673	-
	-	4. Permit communities to authorize games of chance; authorize the use of gaming devices at casinos, strategic premises, racetracks and establishments that sell alcoholic liquor on the premises; authorize the use of limited gaming devices and establish the numbers of casinos and gaming devices that may be operated in various locations <sup>1</sup> .....	353,248	394,865	792,827
2006	-	1. Authorize the use of video keno gaming devices <sup>1</sup> .....	224,182	351,270	-
	-	2. Impose a state spending limit based upon a calculation involving previous appropriations, the inflation rate and population change in Nebraska <sup>1,2</sup> .....	172,859	406,419	-
	-	3. Retention of legislation dissolving Class I school districts (LB126) <sup>1</sup> .....	224,922	290,136	610,499
2008	+	1. Prohibit the State, any public institution of higher education, political subdivision or governmental institution from discriminating against, or granting preferential treatment to, individuals or groups based upon race, sex, color, ethnicity or national origin <sup>1,2</sup> .....	404,766	298,401	814,012
2014	+	1. Amend Nebraska statute establishing a minimum wage rate for employees to increase the current state minimum wage from \$7.25 per hour to \$8.00 per hour on Jan. 1, 2015, and to \$9.00 per hour on Jan. 1, 2016. <sup>1</sup> .....	311,401	212,215	552,115

<sup>1</sup>Proposed by popular initiative.<sup>2</sup>Constitutional amendment.<sup>3</sup>Approved by voters but declared void by the Nebraska Supreme Court.<sup>4</sup>U.S. District Court, District of Nebraska, blocked enforcement of portions of this amendment.

## STATE GOVERNMENT APPROPRIATIONS\*

State appropriations for the 2013-14 fiscal year totaled \$9,631,149,483 for the operation of state government, including capital construction and aid to individuals, local governments and other entities. This amount includes supplemental appropriations (deficits) provided by the 2014 Legislature.

Of the total 2013-14 appropriation, \$3,841,239,521 was appropriated from the state general fund, which is financed by sales and use taxes, corporate and individual income taxes, and several other taxes, including liquor, cigarette and pari-mutuel taxes. Other appropriation amounts were: \$2,067,532,874 from cash funds, which include receipts from motor fuel taxes, hunting and fishing licenses, tuition at the University of Nebraska and state colleges, commodity checkoff collections and other fees and charges; \$2,896,508,843 from federal funds; and \$825,868,245 from revolving funds, which account for financial transactions between state agencies.

Fiscal year 2014-15 appropriations totaled \$9,944,184,621, consisting of \$4,105,825,530 from the state general fund, \$2,137,520,186 from cash funds, \$2,913,518,349 from federal funds and \$787,320,556 from revolving funds. Under biennial budgeting, these appropriations originally were made by the 2013 Legislature, with adjustments during the 2014 legislative session. These appropriation figures for 2014-15 do not, however, include supplemental appropriations that may be provided by the 2015 Legislature.

**Editor's Note:** The charts on the following five pages show appropriation figures for the biennium beginning July 1, 2013, and ending June 30, 2015. The General Fund column lists each agency's budget for agency operations. For those agencies responsible for distributing aid to individuals, local governments and/or other entities, the agency's budget for state aid also is listed. In the All Funds column, the figures for fiscal year 2013-14 include supplemental appropriations (deficits) provided by the 2014 Legislature. However, the figures for fiscal year 2014-15 do not include supplemental appropriations that may be provided by the 2015 Legislature.

# Appropriations for State Government\*

Agency	General Fund <sup>1</sup>		All Funds <sup>2</sup>	
	FY 2013-14	FY 2014-15	FY 2013-14	FY 2014-15
Abstracters Board of Examiners.....	\$ 0	0	\$ 52,443	\$ 53,694
Accountability and Disclosure Commission.....	414,692	468,402	1,110,562	694,218
Accountancy, Nebraska State Board of Public.....	0	0	419,729	423,865
Administrative Services, Department of.....	9,199,034	7,821,743	21,447,370	21,112,304
State Aid.....	0	0	2,751,477	2,500,000
Advocacy, Commission on Public.....	0	0	1,218,578	1,240,534
State Aid.....	0	0	3,337,000	3,487,000
Aeronautics, Department of.....	3,600,000	0	8,969,064	3,481,178
State Aid.....	0	0	19,865,600	26,745,600
Agriculture, Department of.....	5,911,576	5,922,021	16,966,286	17,044,855
State Aid.....	0	0	373,918	373,918
Arts Council, Nebraska.....	550,931	604,088	786,086	839,243
Operations.....	903,069	903,069	2,986,869	2,986,869
Attorney General (Department of Justice).....	6,284,596	5,638,473	10,859,575	10,260,964
Auditor of Public Accounts.....	2,271,680	2,295,617	3,634,692	3,687,722
Operations.....	0	0	7,659,215	7,320,746
Banking, Department of.....	857,480	869,100	4,010,571	4,065,122
Barber Examiners, Board of.....	176,890	176,890	194,323	159,934
Blind and Visually Impaired, Commission for the.....	0	0	961,200	961,200
State Aid.....	0	0	4,406,077	4,459,610
Brand Committee, Nebraska.....	91,384,953	95,040,351	91,384,953	95,040,351
Colleges, Community.....	47,496,183	49,596,030	89,148,522	91,048,369
Colleges, Nebraska State.....	0	0	440,306,005	440,306,005
Corn Development, Utilization and Marketing Board.....	171,879,840	181,813,346	7,215,645	7,226,712
Correctional Services, Department of.....	0	0	194,307,663	204,343,318
State Aid.....	0	3,500,000	0	3,500,000
Dairy Industry Development Board.....	0	0	1,399,957	1,399,957
Deaf and Hard of Hearing, Commission for the.....	861,653	874,808	879,889	889,644
Dry Bean Commission.....	0	0	380,929	381,879
Economic Development, Department of.....	4,848,356	4,899,875	7,967,266	8,098,680
State Aid.....	6,860,000	6,860,000	50,409,085	57,659,085
Education, State Department of.....	18,153,900	20,643,004	67,600,480	70,504,731
State Aid.....	1,113,623,561	1,156,384,882	1,424,600,495	1,469,127,764

\* Source: Legislative Fiscal Office

<sup>1</sup> General fund appropriations include only those funds derived from income and sales taxes, excise taxes and miscellaneous receipts.

<sup>2</sup> Figures are total appropriations for each agency from general, cash, federal and revolving funds.

# Appropriations for State Government (Cont'd.)

Agency	General Fund <sup>1</sup>		All Funds <sup>2</sup>	
	FY 2013-14	FY 2014-15	FY 2013-14	FY 2014-15
Educational Lands and Funds, Board of .....	315,838	321,217	14,394,424	15,181,136
Educational Telecommunications Commission, Nebraska .....	9,706,004	9,840,715	10,043,759	10,178,470
Electrical Board, State .....	0	0	1,610,393	1,633,246
Energy Office, State .....	0	0	1,819,639	1,847,081
Engineers and Architects, Board of .....	0	0	7,349,656	7,349,656
Environmental Quality, Department of .....	0	0	702,755	700,036
Equal Opportunity Commission .....	3,302,055	3,393,198	35,456,616	35,776,546
Ethanol Board, Nebraska .....	2,077,196	2,141,196	31,711,196	32,014,196
Fire Marshal, State .....	1,168,106	1,186,439	1,856,189	1,885,025
Foster Care Review Board, State .....	4,086,558	4,093,785	6,212,840	6,241,745
Game and Parks Commission .....	0	0	55,000	55,000
Geologists, Board of .....	1,652,806	1,616,119	2,072,793	2,121,631
Governor .....	11,034,425	11,148,845	68,171,526	69,402,971
Grain Sorghum Board .....	42,011	42,011	23,603,011	21,533,011
Health and Human Services, Department of .....	0	0	27,971	28,406
Historical Society, Nebraska State .....	1,649,146	1,879,549	1,649,146	1,879,549
Indian Affairs, Commission on .....	0	0	292,211	293,732
Industrial Relations, Commission of .....	231,135,055	235,054,760	603,763,529	633,575,295
Insurance, Department of .....	1,183,009,269	1,278,863,443	2,666,602,544	2,858,987,789
Investment Council, Nebraska .....	4,822,562	4,932,223	7,819,339	7,964,192
Labor, Department of .....	0	0	100,000	100,000
Land Surveyors, State Board of Examiners for .....	205,261	208,175	225,261	228,175
Landscape Architects, State Board of .....	309,579	313,047	309,579	313,047
Latino-Americans, Commission on .....	0	0	14,620,478	14,830,036
Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice, Commission on .....	0	0	2,503,619	2,525,955
Legislative Council .....	503,467	663,563	61,575,674	39,738,413
Library Commission, Nebraska .....	0	0	11,594,743	11,594,743
Land Surveyors, State Board of Examiners for .....	0	0	28,374	28,374
Landscape Architects, State Board of .....	0	0	22,151	22,586
Latino-Americans, Commission on .....	187,679	190,981	187,679	190,981
Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice, Commission on .....	3,623,960	3,706,000	8,179,609	8,252,892
Legislative Council .....	4,023,828	5,973,828	11,592,567	13,442,567
Library Commission, Nebraska .....	18,474,470	19,093,539	18,684,967	19,306,036
Land Surveyors, State Board of Examiners for .....	2,484,662	2,569,572	3,479,122	3,564,032
Landscape Architects, State Board of .....	1,201,240	1,209,240	1,812,635	1,820,635

# Appropriations for State Government (Cont'd.)

Agency	General Fund <sup>1</sup>		All Funds <sup>2</sup>	
	FY 2013-14	FY 2014-15	FY 2013-14	FY 2014-15
Lieutenant Governor.....	143,828	144,051	143,828	144,051
Liquor Control Commission, Nebraska.....	1,033,269	1,046,759	1,103,988	1,117,478
Military Department (Adjutant General).....	4,084,520	4,276,279	22,362,188	22,691,566
Motor Vehicle Industry Licensing Board, Nebraska.....	988,775	988,775	7,059,379	7,059,379
Motor Vehicles, Department of.....	0	0	720,945	733,076
Motor Vehicles, Department of.....	0	0	20,886,038	22,025,911
Natural Resources, Department of.....	0	0	40,000	40,000
Natural Resources, Department of.....	10,676,038	10,849,418	12,129,062	12,451,486
Parole and Pardons, Nebraska.....	5,808,561	16,301,154	14,190,688	45,549,074
Oil and Gas Conservation Commission, Nebraska.....	0	0	886,619	900,600
Patrol, Nebraska State.....	834,771	850,640	834,771	850,640
Patrol, Nebraska State.....	56,153,379	56,576,821	75,438,087	76,245,838
Postsecondary Education Coordinating Commission.....	1,310,105	1,321,637	1,487,630	1,499,162
Power Review Board, Nebraska.....	7,508,156	7,553,156	19,365,388	19,610,388
Public Service Commission.....	2,422,539	2,000,000	602,594	777,640
Public Service Commission.....	0	2,429,539	14,816,155	13,990,993
Racing Commission, State.....	15,000	0	75,525,000	75,515,000
Racing Commission, State.....	0	0	966,188	978,625
Real Estate Appraiser Board.....	0	0	140,000	140,000
Real Estate Appraiser Board.....	0	0	389,957	319,433
Real Estate Commission, State.....	0	0	1,186,830	1,183,817
Retirement Board, Public Employees.....	24,290,810	46,645,251	29,440,508	51,901,502
Revenue, Department of.....	25,398,331	26,428,021	53,112,422	54,585,767
Revenue, Department of.....	65,100,000	73,521,000	180,325,000	214,246,000
Roads, Department of.....	0	0	825,613,355	890,363,355
Roads, Department of.....	0	0	4,872,884	4,872,884
Secretary of State.....	841,282	1,496,302	8,006,352	7,938,041
Secretary of State.....	0	0	60,000	60,000
State Fair Board.....	0	0	3,500,000	3,500,000
Supreme Court.....	114,613,686	149,427,839	129,502,117	164,043,753
Supreme Court.....	200,000	200,000	1,020,000	1,020,000
Tax Equalization and Review Commission.....	716,009	730,051	831,009	845,051
Tourism Commission, Nebraska.....	250,000	250,000	4,492,356	4,907,871
Treasurer, State.....	1,297,426	1,301,283	7,539,030	352,600
Treasurer, State.....	0	0	4,728,000	4,749,558
Treasurer, State.....	0	0	4,615,000	4,615,000

# Appropriations for State Government (Cont'd.)

Agency	General Fund <sup>1</sup>		All Funds <sup>2</sup>	
	FY 2013-14	FY 2014-15	FY 2013-14	FY 2014-15
University of Nebraska.....	519,613,638	542,816,884	1,856,723,157	1,879,926,403
Operations.....	0	0	131,602,553	131,602,553
State Aid.....	0	0	1,241,003	1,238,082
Veterans' Affairs, Department of.....	1,216,003	1,228,082	1,703,711	1,957,503
Operations.....	0	0	5,767,066	5,874,061
Wheat Development, Utilization and Marketing Board.....	0	0		
Workers' Compensation Court.....	0	0		
Total for Agency Operations.....	1,331,962,188	1,429,479,091	4,591,450,670	4,673,844,097
Total for State Aid.....	2,482,957,509	2,649,908,595	4,834,314,046	5,157,722,867
Capital Construction Appropriations.....	26,320,024	26,437,444	205,384,767	112,617,657
TOTAL.....	\$3,841,239,521	\$4,105,825,530	\$9,631,149,483	\$9,944,184,621

## General Fund Appropriations by Major Area\*

Area	FY 2013-14	FY 2014-15
<b>AGENCY OPERATIONS</b>		
University/Colleges (excludes state aid).....	\$ 567,109,821	\$ 592,212,914
Health and Human Services.....	231,135,055	235,054,760
Correctional Services.....	171,879,840	181,813,346
Courts.....	114,613,686	149,427,839
State Patrol.....	56,153,379	56,576,821
Revenue.....	25,398,331	26,428,021
Other Agencies.....	165,672,076	187,965,390
<b>TOTAL.....</b>	<b>1,331,962,188</b>	<b>1,429,479,091</b>
<b>STATE AID TO INDIVIDUALS/OTHER ENTITIES</b>		
Medicaid.....	703,689,760	777,723,897
Public Assistance.....	260,973,272	248,098,887
Developmental Disability Services.....	109,173,012	137,040,195
Behavioral Health Services.....	70,759,664	67,444,214
Children's Health Insurance Program.....	19,448,376	27,560,027
Aging and Care Management.....	8,229,427	9,463,465
Higher Education Student Aid.....	7,308,156	7,553,156
Other Aid to Individuals/Other.....	25,661,795	30,018,045
<b>TOTAL.....</b>	<b>1,205,243,462</b>	<b>1,304,901,886</b>
<b>STATE AID TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS</b>		
State Aid to Education.....	884,888,317	913,571,842
Special Education.....	203,588,534	213,767,961
Aid to Community Colleges.....	91,384,953	95,040,351
Homestead Exemption Reimbursements.....	65,100,000	73,521,000
Aid to Educational Service Units.....	14,051,761	14,051,761
Other Aid to Local Governments.....	18,700,282	35,054,194
<b>TOTAL.....</b>	<b>1,277,713,847</b>	<b>1,345,007,109</b>
<b>CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION.....</b>	<b>26,320,024</b>	<b>26,437,444</b>
<b>TOTAL GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS.....</b>	<b>\$3,841,239,521</b>	<b>\$4,105,825,530</b>

\* Source: Legislative Fiscal Office.

# NUMBER OF STATE EMPLOYEES

## State Agencies, December 2013\*<sup>1</sup>

Agency	Employees <sup>2</sup>	Agency	Employees <sup>2</sup>
Abstracters Board of Examiners.....	7	Labor, Department of.....	378
Accountability and Disclosure Commission.....	13	Land Surveyors, State Board of Examiners for.....	0
Accountancy, State Board of Public.....	11	Landscape Architects, Board of.....	0
Administrative Services.....	498	Latino American Commission.....	12
Aeronautics, Department of.....	22	Legislature.....	283
Agriculture, Department of.....	149	Library Commission.....	44
Arts Council, Nebraska.....	10	Lieutenant Governor.....	2
Attorney General - Department of Justice.....	137	Liquor Control Commission.....	17
Auditor of Public Accounts.....	46	Military Department (Adjutant General).....	198
Banking and Finance, Department of.....	62	Motor Vehicle Industry Licensing Board.....	18
Barber Examiners, Board of.....	4	Motor Vehicles, Department of.....	183
Blind and Visually Impaired, Commission for.....	51	Natural Resources, Department of.....	114
Brand Committee, Nebraska.....	104	Oil and Gas Conservation Commission.....	12
Corn Development, Utilization and Marketing Board.....	16	Parole and Pardons, Boards of.....	10
Correctional Services, Department of.....	2,219	Patrol, Nebraska State.....	709
Crime Commission.....	45	Postsecondary Education, Coordinating Commission for.....	12
Dairy Industry Development Board.....	0	Power Review Board.....	8
Deaf and Hard of Hearing, Commission for.....	11	Public Advocacy, Commission on.....	8
Dry Bean Commission.....	1	Public Service Commission.....	47
Economic Development, Department of.....	54	Racing Commission, State.....	8
Education, State Department of.....	685	Real Estate Appraiser Board.....	7
Educational Lands and Funds, Board of.....	32	Real Estate Commission, State.....	17
Educational Telecommunications Commission.....	66	Retirement Systems.....	57
Electrical Board.....	19	Revenue, Department of.....	400
Energy Office.....	18	Roads, Department of.....	2,152
Engineers and Architects, Board of.....	15	Secretary of State.....	45
Environmental Quality, Department of.....	223	Supreme Court.....	1,281
Equal Opportunity Commission.....	33	Tax Equalization and Review Commission.....	10
Ethanol Board, Nebraska.....	10	Tourism Commission, Nebraska.....	9
Fire Marshal, State.....	171	Treasurer, State.....	46
Foster Care Review Board.....	28	Veterans' Affairs, Department of.....	18
Game and Parks Commission.....	688	Wheat Development, Utilization and Marketing Board.....	3
Geologists, Board of.....	0	Women, Commission on the Status of.....	0
Governor.....	17	Workers' Compensation Court.....	51
Grain Sorghum Development, Utilization and Marketing Board.....	1		
Health and Human Services, Department of.....	6,268		
Historical Society, State.....	78	TOTAL.....	18,112
Indian Affairs, Commission on.....	17		
Industrial Relations, Commission of.....	8		
Insurance, Department of.....	103		
Investment Council, Nebraska.....	13		

\* Source: 2014 State of Nebraska Personnel Almanac, State Personnel Division, Nebraska Department of Administrative Services.

<sup>1</sup> Includes data from all state agencies except the University of Nebraska and the state colleges.

<sup>2</sup> Includes all employees in the state payroll system, including temporary, part-time, per diem and all non-classified positions.

## University of Nebraska, September 2013\*

Campus	Employees <sup>3</sup>	Campus	Employees <sup>3</sup>
Central Administration.....	168 <sup>4</sup>	University of Nebraska Medical Center.....	3,703
University of Nebraska-Lincoln.....	5,467 <sup>5</sup>	University of Nebraska at Omaha .....	1,351
University of Nebraska at Kearney.....	750	TOTAL.....	11,439

\* Source: University of Nebraska Central Administration.

<sup>3</sup> Full-time employees only. Does not include retirees, ancillaries, volunteers, graduate assistants or student workers.

<sup>4</sup> Includes central computing services employees.

<sup>5</sup> Includes NCTA employees.

## Nebraska State College System, June 2014\*

Campus	Employees <sup>6</sup>	Campus	Employees <sup>6</sup>
System Office.....	10	Wayne State College.....	376
Chadron State College.....	296	TOTAL.....	860
Peru State College.....	178		

\* Source: Nebraska State College System.

<sup>6</sup> Full-time employees only. Does not include graduate assistants, adjunct faculty or work study participants.



**STATE LEGISLATIVE BRANCH**

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## THE NEBRASKA LEGISLATURE: HISTORY AND ORGANIZATION<sup>1</sup>

### History

#### *Territorial Legislature*

The Organic Act of May 30, 1854, provided for the Nebraska Territory's first legislative assembly. The act established a 13-member council, elected to two-year terms, and a 26-member house of representatives, elected for one-year terms. The act called for annual legislative sessions of 40 days, except for the first session, which could be lengthened to 60 days. Lawmakers received \$3 a day and \$3 more for every 20 miles they had to travel to the capital in Omaha. The following Jan. 16, the legislators convened for the first time.

The number of voters determined legislative apportionments. The territorial governor was directed to have a census taken to make the initial apportionments and to call an election. The assembly had the power to change the number of representatives, make appointments and fix regular session dates on which to convene.

An act approved on March 16, 1855, ordered the marshal to take a census and the governor to order a new apportionment. The number of representatives was limited to 29 for the second session, and another act determined that, until changed by law, annual sessions would begin on the first Tuesday in December. The succeeding session, however, was to convene on the third Tuesday in December 1855. At this session, lawmakers decided that the next regular session should meet on the first Monday of January 1857 and the first Monday in January every year thereafter. A Jan. 26, 1856, act directed the marshal to take another census and the governor to order another apportionment, this time limiting the number of representatives to 35.

By joint resolution of Jan. 25, 1856, the territorial assembly petitioned the delegate in Congress to secure amendment to the Organic Act, basing the apportionment on the increased white population instead of the number of voters. The convening date for the fourth session was changed to the second Tuesday in December 1857, but the opening date was restored to the first Monday in January for the next session. An act approved on Nov. 3, 1858, fixed the number of representatives at 39.

The fifth session was a special session called by Gov. William Richardson to consider adopting parts of the criminal and civil codes and general affairs of the state. The secretary of the territory refused to pay for this session from current expense appropriations. The assembly, by joint resolution, requested Congress to make an early appropriation to pay for the session. By legislative act, the sixth, seventh and eighth sessions began on

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<sup>1</sup> Sources: Unicameral Information Office, Office of the Clerk of the Nebraska Legislature; Jack Rodgers, "The Nebraska Unicameral Legislature's Golden Anniversary: 1937-87," 1987.

the first Monday in December of each year. A temporary apportionment was made by this session that also called for the ninth session to begin on Jan. 7, 1864.

### *Adoption of 1866 State Constitution and Early State Legislative Sessions*

The 11th Legislature drafted the constitution of 1866, which voters adopted on June 2, 1866. The constitution provided for the state Legislature's first session to convene July 4, 1866. When the first session met (which is listed as the first state Legislature assembled), Congress had not yet passed the bill admitting Nebraska to the Union. Congress rejected the 1866 constitution until Nebraska agreed to an amendment allowing black people to vote. The 12th session of the territorial Legislature met Jan. 10 and adjourned Feb. 18. Two days later, the governor called a special session to consider the black suffrage amendment to the 1866 constitution.

Lawmakers met on Feb. 20 and 21, 1867. This is listed as the second state legislative session, although Nebraska was not admitted as a state until March 1. Thus, the first session after statehood was the third session, a special session called by Gov. David Butler on May 16, 1867, to establish general legislation for the new state.

The constitution of 1866 made no changes in the two legislative houses, which had 13 senators and 39 representatives. Biennial legislative sessions were to begin the first Thursday after the first Monday in January in odd-numbered years.

The fourth session was a special session, held on Oct. 27 and 28, 1868, called to provide for the election of presidential electors, a detail that had been previously overlooked.

The fifth session (erroneously called the first "regular session") was the first session held at Lincoln on the constitutional date. The sixth session was a special session called by the governor to ratify the 15th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, provide for construction of a penitentiary, and other purposes. After the Legislature adjourned without passing all the legislation the governor wanted, he immediately called another special session, which saw passage of a herd law and an amendment of an act to govern the keeping of identical funds in the state treasury, among other legislation.

The eighth regular session saw impeachment proceedings brought against Gov. David Butler. Because of impeachment proceedings brought against auditor John Gillespie, the Legislature in June 1871 adjourned until Jan. 9, 1872, when they resumed in adjourned session.

The 10th session was a special session, called on March 27, 1873, by Gov. Robert Furnas to amend laws governing county boundaries and to consider assessments in new counties and incorporation of cities.

### *Constitution of 1875 and Legislative Sessions of 1875-1934*

The constitution of 1875 limited legislative membership to 100 in the House and 33 in the Senate. It changed the convening date of the regular session to the first Tuesday in January. Before 1880, under the 1875 constitution, the House had 84 members and the Senate had 30.

The 12th and 13th sessions were special ones, both called on Dec. 5, 1876, to canvass the vote of presidential electors and to appoint an elector to fill an alleged vacancy.

In 1881, the Legislature increased Senate membership to 33 and House membership to 100.

Under an 1886 constitutional amendment, lawmakers' pay was increased from \$3 to \$5 a day. The Senate president was paid \$10 a day.

The 17th session, a special one, convened on May 10, 1882, to reapportion U.S. congressional districts and to provide money for the militia to suppress a riot at Omaha, among other issues.

A 1912 amendment boosted lawmakers' salary to \$600 for each regular session and doubled the pay for the Senate president.

The 36th session was a special session called on March 26, 1918, to pass war legislation. The 38th session, also a special one, was called on July 29, 1919, to ratify the women's suffrage amendment to the U.S. Constitution. The 39th session was a special session called on Oct. 14, 1919, to enable Douglas County to repair its courthouse.

A constitutional amendment adopted on Sept. 21, 1920, increased Senate membership to 50, but the Legislature did not change the number of senators. Another constitutional amendment adopted the same day increased lawmakers' pay to \$800 for each regular session.

The 41st session was a special session called on Jan. 24, 1922, to reduce appropriations and correct errors in certain laws. The 46th session, also a special one, was called on March 4, 1930, to revise guaranty of bank deposit laws. The 48th session, another special session, was called on June 9, 1931, to make appropriations to maintain state government.

### *Establishment of a Unicameral Legislature*

On Nov. 6, 1934, Nebraska voters adopted a constitutional amendment providing for a one-house, or unicameral, Legislature. This initiative amendment, drafted by a citizens' committee, passed on a 286,086 to 193,152 vote. The amendment required the 1935 Legislature to divide the state into at least 30 legislative districts, but no more than 50.

Interest in unicameralism began in 1913 as a reaction against the more popular two-house system of lawmaking. Political reform demanded by the Progressive Movement caused a joint legislative committee that year to make several recommendations to the 1915 Legislature on ways to improve state government, including a plan to create a unicameral legislature. No action was taken on this proposal.

During the 1917 legislative session, Rep. J.N. Norton of Osceola, a longtime advocate of unicameralism and a member of the first Unicameral Legislature in 1937, introduced a joint resolution proposing a constitutional amendment to create a one-house legislature of 60 members. The proposal reached the floor, but it was indefinitely postponed as it languished behind other bills awaiting consideration.

Norton, a delegate to the 1919-20 constitutional convention, introduced a proposal providing for a one-house legislative body to consist of at least 100 members, but not to exceed 133. Approved by the committee on the convention floor, it was suggested that it be submitted before voters as a separate and alternative proposal. The final vote

on this proposition was 43 to 43. Thus, Nebraska voters were narrowly denied a chance to vote on unicameralism at a special election in September 1920.

Three other attempts to change to unicameralism failed before a successful campaign in 1934. An initiative petition campaign to place the issue on the ballot failed in 1923, and a legislative proposal by J.D. Lee of Lynch for a single chamber of 100 or fewer members was indefinitely postponed. A 1933 proposal by Sen. John Boelts of Central City in 1933 to create a legislature “consisting of a House of Representatives only” came to a final vote by senators. It failed on a 15-14 vote with four members not voting.

Although efforts to switch to a one-house legislative system continually failed, the issue was kept alive by George W. Norris. Norris had served in the U.S. House of Representatives, was a leader of the Progressive Republicans, and had been a U.S. senator since 1912. Nebraskans of all political persuasions held him in esteem, and his accomplishments and influence in national affairs gave credibility to his views. Two-house lawmaking was a favorite target for Norris. He denounced it in a *New York Times* article on Jan. 28, 1923, and he continued his indictments of state legislatures until 1934.

Norris and other supporters said unicameralism had basic advantages over two-house legislatures. Its benefits and principles, as expressed by its supporters, are summarized as follows:

- The principal criticism of the bicameral legislature was the conference committee — a joint committee appointed to iron out differences in bills that had passed both chambers, but in different forms. These committees met in secret, no records were kept of their proceedings, conference reports could not be amended when they were returned to the respective houses, and the need to compromise to “get something” often resulted in laws that included provisions not supported by a majority of the legislators. This “take all or nothing” procedure does not exist in a unicameral system. Proponents of unicameralism say eliminating the conference committee results in a more open legislative process.

- Unicameralism proponents argue that instead of one house acting as a check upon the other (a traditional defense of the bicameral legislature), one house too often shifts responsibility to the other house. In one of his later writings, Norris penned a colorful rebuttal to this “checks and balances” argument: “In every two-house legislature, after the close of the session, if we post the checks and balances we shall find that the politicians have the checks and the special interests have the balance.” Unicameralism’s supporters say there are ample checks on the one-house legislature through judicial review, the governor’s veto and the referendum.

- It was believed that a one-house legislature would be smaller in number. This would avoid some of the frustrations of lawmakers in larger legislative bodies, such as giving legislative rights to committees, the difficulty in offering amendments to bills and curtailing the right to freely debate. Legislative proceedings in a one-house legislature can be much more open, advocates said.

- Norris and other advocates were convinced that corruption was more likely under bicameralism because it was easier for corrupt legislators to cover their tracks. Under unicameralism, Norris argued, lobbying would be more open, more personal and less

likely to be kept under cover.

- On a more recent note, it could be argued that because of the “reapportionment revolution” of the 1960s, bicameralism makes less sense than before. Courts have held that both houses of state legislatures must conform to the “one person, one vote” standard, and thus both represent essentially the same constituencies. Norris and other early proponents of unicameralism made this same point. They argued that a two-house system was redundant because both houses of state legislatures were elected from the same groups of people and were granted the same legislative authority.

## Organization

### *State Senators*

Nebraska’s one-house Legislature has 49 members, called senators, who are elected on a nonpartisan basis. The number of senators increased from 43 to 49 in 1965. Approximately 37,000 people live in each district, according to 2010 census figures. Half of the senators are elected every two years. Senators served two-year terms from 1937 to 1964. In 1964, half the senators were elected to four-year terms, and half were elected to two-year terms. Since 1966, all senators have been elected to four-year terms. Senators are limited to serving two consecutive terms. According to the Nebraska Constitution, senators must be registered voters, must be at least 21 years old and must have lived for one year in the district they represent. Senators are paid \$12,000 a year. In 1984, the state Supreme Court upheld a law permitting senators to be paid for expenses during legislative sessions. Senators also are paid for actual expenses when the Legislature is not in session.

### *Officers*

**Lieutenant Governor (President of Legislature):** Mike Foley

**Speaker:** Sen. Galen Hadley, Kearney

**Clerk:** Patrick J. O’Donnell

**Assistant Clerk:** Richard Brown

**Sergeant at Arms:** Ron Witkowski

According to the state constitution, the lieutenant governor serves as president of the Legislature. In the Nebraska Revised Statutes, the law providing for legislative officers is 50-111.

Members of the Legislature elect the speaker, clerk, assistant clerk and sergeant at arms in odd-numbered years. The speaker is a member of the Legislature. The other officers, who are not members of the Legislature, are elected upon recommendation by the Executive Board of the Legislative Council. The Legislature chooses the Executive Board at the beginning of each regular session in odd-numbered years.

### *Publications*

Publications produced by the Legislature include:

- the Legislative Journal (daily during legislative sessions and in bound form after each session ends)
- bills, resolutions and amendments

- indexes to bills and resolutions
- session laws
- *Unicameral Update* (published weekly during legislative sessions)
- *Nebraska Blue Book* (official state reference manual)
- informational pamphlets about the history, organization and membership of the Legislature

Many publications are available both in print form and on the Legislature's website at [www.nebraskalegislature.gov](http://www.nebraskalegislature.gov)

The bound journal and the bound session laws, compiled by the Office of the Clerk of the Legislature, may be purchased in the State Court Administrator's Office, Room 1220, State Capitol.

### *Legislative Sessions*

Before 1970, regular legislative sessions were held in odd-numbered years and began on the first Tuesday in January. In 1970, a constitutional amendment was adopted that directed the Legislature to meet annually. Regular sessions in odd-numbered years meet for 90 legislative days and in even-numbered years for 60 legislative days. A four-fifths vote of the members may extend a session's length. The constitution was amended in 1974 to provide that the Legislature convene at 10 a.m. on the first Wednesday after the first Monday in January every year.

During a regular session, the Legislature may consider any subject relating to state government functions. Between regular sessions, the governor may call the Legislature into a special session, or two-thirds of the Legislature may require the governor to call a special session. Only those issues specifically mentioned in the call can be considered during a special session.

### *Committees*

After bills are introduced, they are referred to legislative committees, which hold public hearings on the bills. There are 14 standing committees:

- Agriculture
- Appropriations
- Banking, Commerce and Insurance
- Business and Labor
- Education
- General Affairs
- Government, Military and Veterans Affairs
- Health and Human Services
- Judiciary
- Natural Resources
- Nebraska Retirement Systems
- Revenue
- Transportation and Telecommunications
- Urban Affairs

Four select committees help in the administration of the Legislature:

- Committee on Committees, which recommends appointments to committees at the beginning of each regular session in odd-numbered years and fills committee vacancies created when members die or resign

- Enrollment and Review, which oversees the incorporation of adopted amendments into bills and reviews the legislation for technical and grammatical accuracy

- Reference (consisting of Executive Board members), which refers bills, resolutions and gubernatorial appointments to appropriate committees

- Rules, which considers and recommends proposed changes to the rules governing legislative procedure

Special committees may be established to consider other issues. These committees include:

- Committee on Building Maintenance (statutory reference: 81-185), which oversees maintenance of state-owned buildings

- Education Commission of the States (statutory reference: 79-1501), an interstate organization that facilitates cooperative educational research and development and has three Nebraska state senators as members<sup>2</sup>

- Executive Board of the Legislative Council (statutory reference: 50-401.01), which supervises all legislative services and employees

- Legislative Performance Audit Committee (statutory reference: 50-1204), which evaluates state agency programs for effectiveness, adherence to legislative intent and potential duplication or overlapping of services

- Legislature's Planning Committee (statutory reference: 50-1402), which identifies long-term issues of significance to the state and proposes legislation to address those issues

- Midwestern Higher Education Commission (statutory reference: 85-1301), an interstate organization that promotes cooperation and resource sharing in higher education and has two Nebraska state senators as members<sup>3</sup>

- State-Tribal Relations Committee (statutory reference: 50-445), which was established to foster better relationships between the federally recognized Indian tribes within Nebraska and the state

All state senators, except the speaker and members of the Appropriations Committee, serve on more than one standing committee. Members, including the speaker, may serve on any number of select or special committees.

## The Lawmaking Process

When a senator decides he or she wants to change or create a law, the senator's research staff looks at possible legislative remedies to the problem. Much of the research, conducted by senators' research staff as well as a central research division, takes place between regular legislative sessions, when legislative committees study issues outlined in interim study resolutions introduced during the session.

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<sup>2</sup>For more information about the Education Commission of the States, see Page 742.

<sup>3</sup>For more information about the Midwestern Higher Education Commission, see Page 743.

Once research is completed, a senator takes his or her idea to a bill drafter, who helps the senator turn the idea into the proper legal form of a bill. In Nebraska, bills may contain only one subject. Once the regular session starts each January, most bills are introduced during the session's first 10 days. To introduce a bill, a senator files it with the clerk of the Legislature, who assigns it a number, reads the bill's title into the record and authorizes copies to be printed for public and legislative use. The Legislative Fiscal Office prepares a fiscal note for each bill. The fiscal note contains estimates of the monetary effect the bill would have if it became law. The fiscal office also prepares appropriation bills, often called A-bills, which must be voted on separately and accompany bills that will cost the state money.

Except for a few technical measures, bills must receive public hearings before a legislative committee. The Reference Committee assigns each bill to the appropriate committee — usually one of the 14 standing committees. After the hearing, the committee can either take no action on the bill, kill it or send it to first-round debate — called general file — before the full Legislature.

Once bills are placed on general file, the Legislature can debate, amend and vote on them. If a bill receives majority approval (25 votes), it is advanced to second-round debate, called select file. On select file, if the bill again receives majority approval, it is advanced to a final vote, called final reading. After both general and select file votes, bills go through an enrollment and review process — often called “E & R” — in which adopted amendments are incorporated into the bill, and the entire bill is checked for technical and grammatical accuracy.

Bills on final reading are read aloud in their entirety by the clerk of the Legislature, unless three-fifths of the senators vote to dispense with the reading. Senators must be in their seats in the legislative chamber during final reading. Bills may not be amended or debated on final reading, but they can be returned to select file for specific amendment. The vote on final passage of a bill may not take place until at least five legislative days after the bill is introduced and two legislative days after it is placed on final reading. Printed copies of the bill must be available to senators for at least one legislative day before final reading.

After the Legislature passes a bill on final reading, it goes to the governor for final approval. The governor has five days, excluding Sunday, to decide the fate of the bill. If the governor signs the bill or fails to act on it, the bill becomes law. If the governor vetoes the bill, it is returned to the Legislature with the governor's objections to the bill listed. A three-fifths vote (30 votes) of the Legislature is needed to override a gubernatorial veto. The governor also may make specific reductions, or line-item vetoes, to budget bills.

Bills usually become effective three months after the Legislature adjourns. A bill may go into effect earlier if it is passed with an emergency clause attached, which takes a two-thirds majority, or 33 votes.

# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

**Statutory Reference:** 50-401

**Website:** www.nebraskalegislature.gov

The Legislative Council, created by the 1937 Legislature, originally consisted of 16 senators. In 1949, all senators were made members of the council. The 1967 Legislature placed all services and personnel under the council. The Legislative Council considers legislative policies between sessions and carries out other duties found in Section 50-402 of state law. The council’s Executive Board represents the council in managing legislative services and staff.

In addition to the personal staff of each senator and committee staff, the council’s support offices are the Clerk of the Legislature, the Revisor of Statutes, the Legislative Fiscal Office, the Legislative Audit Division, the Legislative Research Division and the Ombudsman (Office of Public Counsel). Other staff include the Accounting and Budget Office and the Coordinator of Legislative Services.

## Executive Board of the Legislative Council

**Chairman:** Sen. Bob Krist, Room 2010, State Capitol, P.O. Box 94604, Lincoln, NE 68509-4604, phone (402) 471-2642

**Statutory Reference:** 50-401.01

The Legislative Council is governed by an executive board, which supervises all legislative services and employees. By law, the board hires employees and sets salaries as needed “to carry out the intent and activities of the Legislature or the board.”

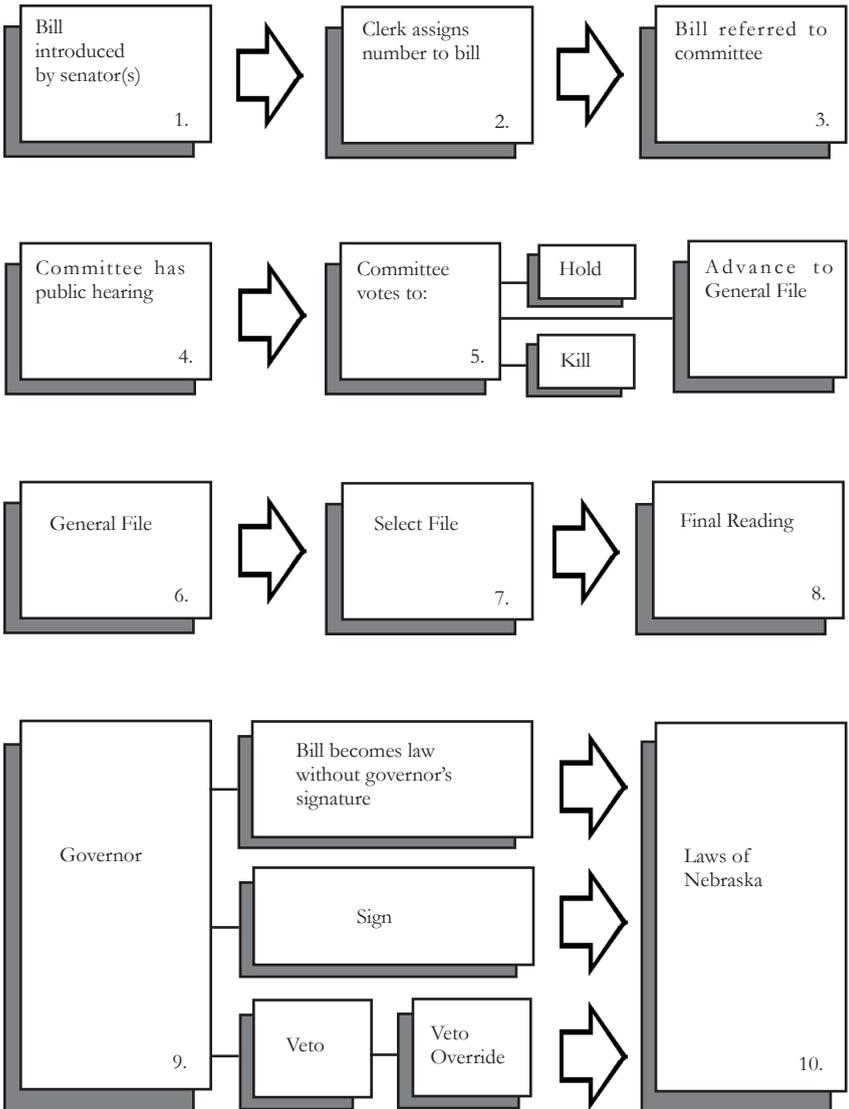
The Executive Board consists of a chairperson, a vice chairperson, the speaker and six other state senators. Board members are chosen at the beginning of each regular session in odd-numbered years and serve two-year terms. The Legislature elects the chairperson and vice chairperson at large. Two board members are chosen by caucus from each of the following groupings of districts:

- legislative districts 2, 3, 15, 16, 19, 21 to 29, 45 and 46
- legislative districts 4 to 14, 18, 20, 31, 39 and 49
- legislative districts 1, 17, 30, 32 to 38, 40 to 44, 47 and 48

The chairperson of the Appropriations Committee is a nonvoting ex officio member when the board considers fiscal matters.

<b>Member</b>	<b>Position</b>
Sen. Colby Coash, Lincoln.....	Member
Sen. Kathy Campbell, Lincoln .....	Member
Sen. Ernie Chambers, Omaha.....	Member
Sen. Galen Hadley, Kearney .....	Speaker
Sen. Dan Hughes, Venango.....	Member
Sen. Bob Krist, Omaha .....	Chairperson
Sen. Tyson Larson, O’Neill .....	Member
Sen. Heath Mello, Omaha.....	Ex Officio (Appropriations Chairperson)
Sen. John Murante, Gretna.....	Member
Sen. Dan Watermeier, Syracuse.....	Vice Chairperson

### How a Bill Becomes a Law\*



\*Source: Unicameral Information Office, Office of the Clerk of the Nebraska Legislature.

## Clerk of the Legislature

**Office Address:** Room 2018, State Capitol, P.O. Box 94604, Lincoln, NE 68509-4604, phone (402) 471-2271, fax (402) 471-2126, toll-free phone (available only during legislative sessions) to request information or to ask questions about the status of bills (800) 742-7456 or (402) 471-2709 (information available to hearing and/or speech impaired via V/TT), 24-hour request line for copies of bills, brochures, interim hearing schedules or *Unicameral Update* subscriptions (402) 471-2877, website — [nebraskalegislature.gov/divisions/clerk.php](http://nebraskalegislature.gov/divisions/clerk.php)

**Clerk of the Legislature:** Patrick J. O'Donnell

**Assistant Clerk of the Legislature:** Richard Brown

**Human Resources Coordinator:** Sally Grandgenett

**Statutory Reference:** 50-111

The 1937 Legislature provided for a permanent clerk to be elected by the Legislature for a two-year term. The clerk and assistant clerk are responsible for ensuring that all constitutional, statutory and policy requirements are followed when the Legislature conducts its business.

The Clerk's Office maintains official records of all legislative business. These records include the Legislative Journal, the session laws of Nebraska, bill indexes, hearing schedules, rosters, bill status information and legislative histories. The office includes the Legislative Bill Room, which distributes bills, resolutions and amendments; the Legislative 'Transcribers' Office, which transcribes floor debate and committee hearings; and the Legislative Technology Center, which manages the Legislature's computer network and provides related services. The office also includes the Unicameral Information Office, which produces the *Unicameral Update*, the Legislature's weekly news publication; the *Nebraska Blue Book*, the official state reference manual; and informational brochures about the Legislature.

The Clerk's Office also:

- manages the Legislature's website
- supervises legislative halls, rooms and property
- accepts the registration for filing of lobbyists and their employers
- handles other official papers and communications of the Legislature
- serves as a clearinghouse for legislative employment

## Revisor of Statutes

**Office Address:** Room 358, State Capitol, P.O. Box 94604, Lincoln, NE 68509-4604, phone (402) 471-2225, website — [nebraskalegislature.gov/divisions/revisor.php](http://nebraskalegislature.gov/divisions/revisor.php)

**Revisor of Statutes:** Joanne Pepperl

**Statutory Reference:** 49-701

The 1945 Legislature created a permanent office of Revisor of Statutes. In 1967, the Legislature placed this office within the Legislative Council. The office drafts bills, resolutions, and amendments for the Legislature's consideration and prepares and publishes replacement volumes of the statutes and supplements. It also reports to the Legislative Council any defects found in state statutes or the Nebraska Constitution and

drafts proposed legislation to correct these defects.

Under section 32-1405, the Revisor of Statutes reviews proposed initiative and referendum petitions and may suggest changes in form and draftsmanship.

## Legislative Fiscal Analyst

**Office Address:** Room 1007, State Capitol, P.O. Box 94604, Lincoln, NE 68509-4604, phone (402) 471-2263, email address — [mcalvert@leg.ne.gov](mailto:mcalvert@leg.ne.gov), website — [nebraskalegislature.gov/divisions/fiscal.php](http://nebraskalegislature.gov/divisions/fiscal.php)

**Director:** Michael Calvert

**Statutory Reference:** 50-418

The office of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst was created in 1961 to provide fiscal and budgetary information and assistance to the Legislature and its Appropriations Committee. The Legislative Fiscal Office works under the direction of the Appropriations Committee during legislative sessions and under the Executive Board of the Legislative Council between legislative sessions. Office staff:

- evaluate appropriation requests
- study capital outlay needs
- plan for legislative appropriation and control of funds
- monitor the performance, management and accomplishments of state government operations and aid programs
- review each legislative bill introduced, as well as any amendments, and estimate the effect on state, county or municipal expenditures or revenue under the bill's provisions
- provide state general fund revenue forecasting information to the Legislature and the Nebraska Economic Forecasting Advisory Board, in addition to providing staff support to the board
- assist committees of the Legislature in conducting studies authorized by resolution
- assist the Legislative Performance Audit Committee and the Legislative Audit Office as required

## Legislative Audit Office

**Office Address:** 11th Floor, State Capitol, P.O. Box 94604, Lincoln, NE 68509-4604, phone (402) 471-1282, website — [nebraskalegislature.gov/divisions/auditor.php](http://nebraskalegislature.gov/divisions/auditor.php)

**Auditor:** Martha Carter

**Statutory Reference:** 50-1204

The Legislative Audit Office conducts performance audits on topics selected by the Legislative Performance Audit Committee, comprised of the Speaker, chairpersons of the Executive Board and Appropriations Committee and four senators chosen by the Executive Board. Performance audits may have a variety of objectives, including assessment of a program's effectiveness and results, economy and efficiency, internal control and compliance with legal or other requirements.

## Legislative Research Office

**Office Address:** Room 1201, State Capitol, P.O. Box 94604, Lincoln, NE 68509-4604, phone (402) 471-2221, website — [nebraskalegislature.gov/divisions/audit\\_research.php](http://nebraskalegislature.gov/divisions/audit_research.php)

**Director:** Nancy Cyr

**Statutory Reference (for Director of Research):** 50-401.01

The Office of Legislative Research was created in 1937, and became the Office of Legislative Audit and Research in 2006. The 2009 Legislature established separate offices and budgets for audit and research functions.

The Legislative Research Office:

- conducts legal and public policy research for legislators and staff
- prepares and publishes research reports and memoranda, including an annual summary of significant legislation and periodic reports providing legislative history and background on issues regularly before the Legislature
- assists with interim studies
- provides staff support for the decennial redistricting process
- performs special projects at the request of the Executive Board of the Legislative Council, the Speaker of the Legislature and standing and special committees
- develops and offers periodic training sessions for legislators and staff
- maintains a reference library and disseminates information to legislators and staff
- exchanges information with other state legislatures and national legislative organizations

## Public Counsel (Ombudsman)

**Office Address:** Eighth Floor, State Capitol, P.O. Box 94604, Lincoln, NE 68509-4604, phone (402) 471-2035, toll-free phone in Nebraska (800) 742-7690, email address — [ombud@leg.ne.gov](mailto:ombud@leg.ne.gov), website — [nebraskalegislature.gov/divisions/ombud.php](http://nebraskalegislature.gov/divisions/ombud.php)

**Ombudsman:** Marshall E. Lux

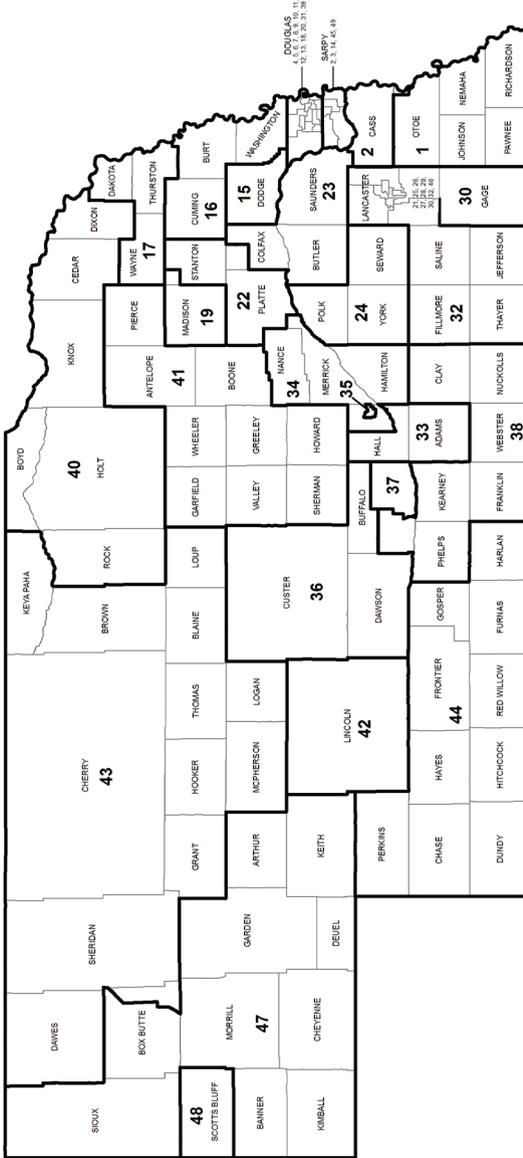
**Statutory Reference:** 81-8,241

The 1969 Legislature established the Office of Public Counsel, which began operating on June 1, 1971. The 2012 Legislature created the Office of Inspector General of Nebraska Child Welfare within the public counsel's office. The office receives and informally resolves complaints by citizens made against administrative agencies of state government and local jails. The office also encourages agencies to improve the performance of their administrative duties. The public counsel:

- investigates citizens' complaints against administrative agencies of state government and local jails
- makes recommendations to agencies that are found in error after an investigation
- studies state administrative agencies or participates in such studies
- recommends ways to improve agencies' policies and procedures
- answers requests for information on the operation of government

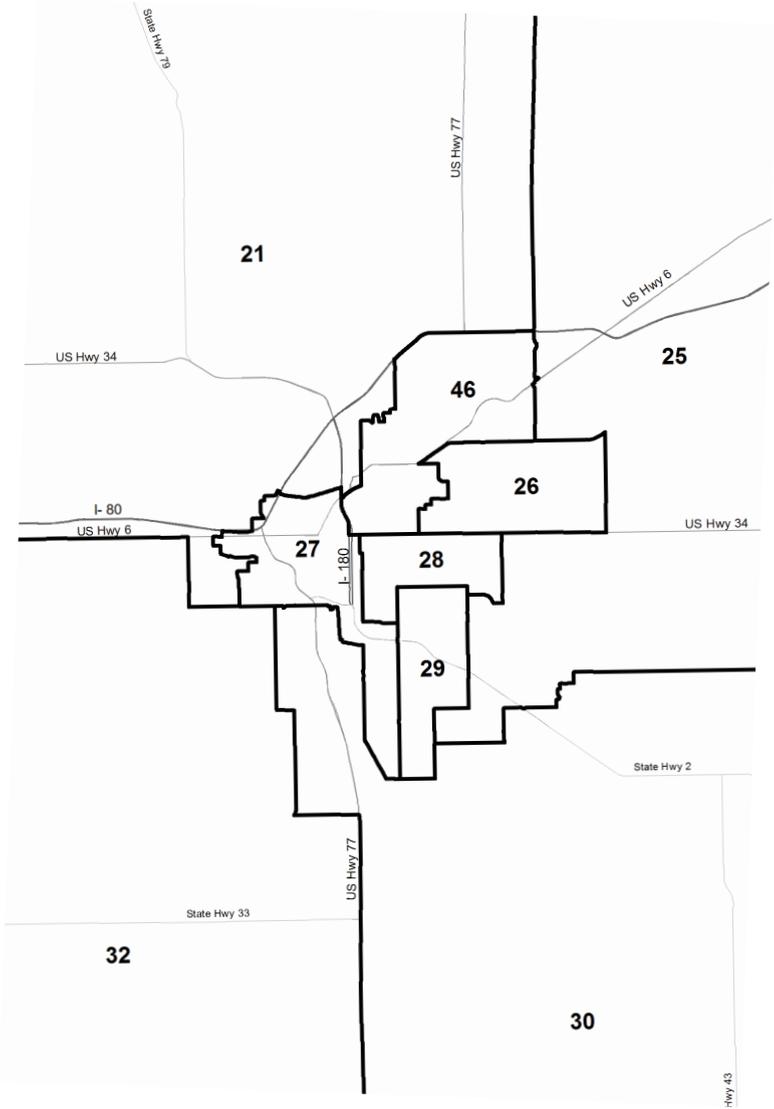
When the office cannot help a citizen because of jurisdictional limitations, it refers the citizen to a different agency.

Nebraska Legislative Districts\*



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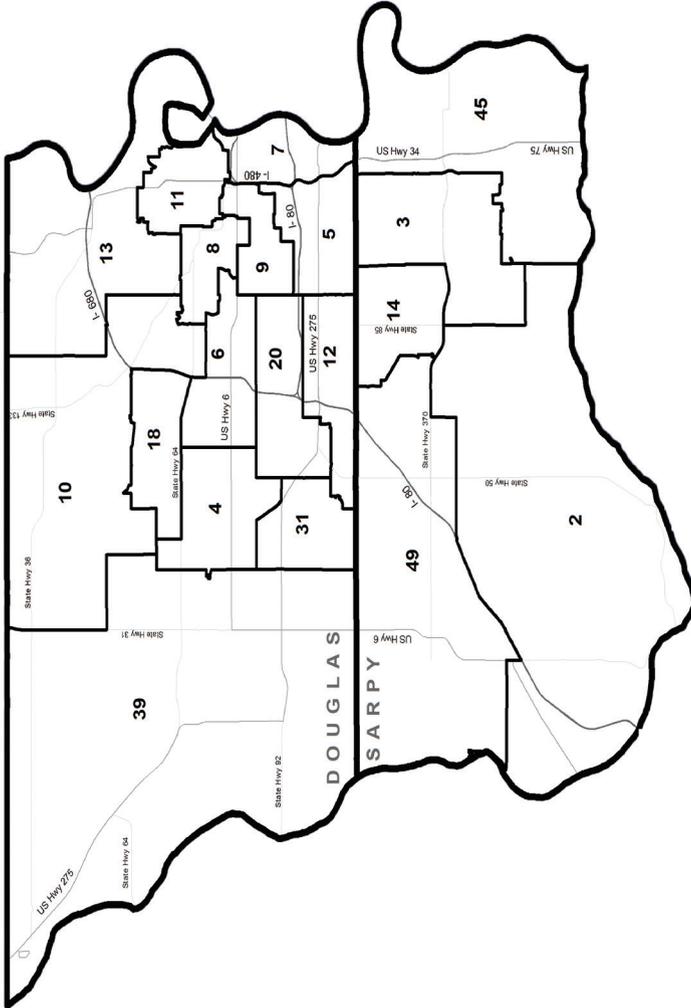
# Lincoln Area Legislative Districts\*



\*Boundaries established by LB703 in the 2011 legislative session.



# Omaha Area Legislative Districts\*



\*Boundaries established by LB703 in the 2011 legislative session.

## Nebraska State Senators, 2015

Member	Represents	Term Expires
Roy E. Baker, Lincoln.....	District 30.....	January 2019
Dave Bloomfield, Hoskins.....	District 17.....	January 2017
Kate J. Bolz, Lincoln.....	District 29.....	January 2017
Lydia N. Brasch, Bancroft.....	District 16.....	January 2019
Kathy Campbell, Lincoln.....	District 25.....	January 2017
Ernie Chambers, Omaha.....	District 11.....	January 2017
Colby J. Coash, Lincoln.....	District 27.....	January 2017
Tanya D. Cook, Omaha.....	District 13.....	January 2017
Joni Craighead, Omaha.....	District 6.....	January 2019
Sue Crawford, Bellevue.....	District 45.....	January 2017
Al Davis, Hyannis.....	District 43.....	January 2017
Laura Ebke, Crete.....	District 32.....	January 2019
Curt Friesen, Henderson.....	District 34.....	January 2019
Tommy L. Garrett, Bellevue.....	District 3.....	January 2019
Mike Gloor, Grand Island.....	District 35.....	January 2017
Mike Groene, North Platte.....	District 42.....	January 2019
Ken Haar, Malcolm.....	District 21.....	January 2017
Galen Hadley, Kearney.....	District 37.....	January 2017
Matt Hansen, Lincoln.....	District 26.....	January 2019
Burke J. Harr, Omaha.....	District 8.....	January 2019
Robert Hilkemann, Omaha.....	District 4.....	January 2019
Sara Howard, Omaha.....	District 9.....	January 2017
Dan Hughes, Venango.....	District 44.....	January 2019
Jerry Johnson, Wahoo.....	District 23.....	January 2017
Bill Kintner, Papillion.....	District 2.....	January 2019
Richard L. Kolowski, Omaha.....	District 31.....	January 2017
Mark A. Kolterman, Seward.....	District 24.....	January 2019
Robert J. "Bob" Krist, Omaha.....	District 10.....	January 2019
John L. Kuehn, Heartwell.....	District 38.....	January 2019
Tyson Larson, O'Neill.....	District 40.....	January 2019
Brett Lindstrom, Omaha.....	District 18.....	January 2019
John S. McCollister, Omaha.....	District 20.....	January 2019
Beau R. McCoy, Omaha.....	District 39.....	January 2017
Heath Mello, Omaha.....	District 5.....	January 2017
Adam Morfeld, Lincoln.....	District 46.....	January 2019
John Murante, Gretna.....	District 49.....	January 2017
Jeremy J. Nordquist, Omaha.....	District 7.....	January 2017
Patty Pansing Brooks, Lincoln.....	District 28.....	January 2019
Merv Riepe, Ralston.....	District 12.....	January 2019
Jim Scheer, Norfolk.....	District 19.....	January 2017
Ken Schilz, Ogallala.....	District 47.....	January 2017
David A. Schnoor, Scribner.....	District 15.....	January 2017
Paul Schumacher, Columbus.....	District 22.....	January 2019
Les Seiler, Hastings.....	District 33.....	January 2017
Jim Smith, Papillion.....	District 14.....	January 2019
John P. Stinner, Gering.....	District 48.....	January 2019
Kate Sullivan, Cedar Rapids.....	District 41.....	January 2017
Dan Watermeier, Syracuse.....	District 1.....	January 2017
Matt Williams, Gothenburg.....	District 36.....	January 2019

## Nebraska State Senators, 2015



### DAN WATERMEIER

### DISTRICT 1

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**Elected to Nebraska Legislature:** 2012

**Committees:** Appropriations; Building Maintenance; Committee on Committees; Executive Board (vice chairperson); Legislative Performance Audit (chairperson); Reference (vice chairperson)

**Biography:** Born May 29, 1961, in Lincoln. Graduate of Syracuse-Dunbar-Avoca High School, 1979; University of Nebraska-Lincoln (B.S. in agriculture), 1983. Married Jean Ann Laessle, August 2, 1986; three children: Leslie McIntosh, Rachel and Kaitlyn. Farmer. Former grain logistician, Cargill, Inc. **Member:** Nemaha NRD (chairman); Nebraska Natural Resources Commission (chairman); Syracuse Rescue Squad, treasurer; Luther Memorial Church (ELCA); fellow, Nebraska LEAD VII; Syracuse TeamMates Program. **Former member:**

Otoe County Extension Board; Syracuse Otoe County Young Farmers; Otoe/Cass Corn Growers; coach, Syracuse Parks and Recreation; Syracuse Jaycees. Republican.

### BILL KINTNER

### DISTRICT 2

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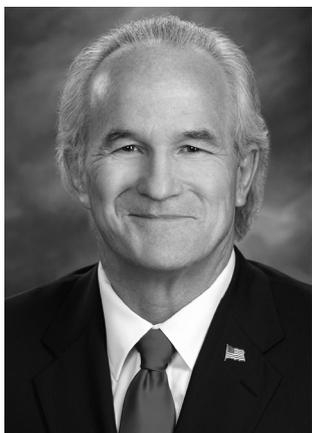
**Elected to Nebraska Legislature:** 2012; re-elected 2014

**Committees:** Appropriations

**Biography:** Born Nov. 22, 1960, in Cincinnati, Ohio. Graduate of Colerain High School, 1979; Wright State University (B.S.B. in marketing and financial services). Married Lauren Hill, Oct. 3, 2009. Market research sales professional. **Member:** Shadow Lake Community Church; National Association for Gun Rights; Nebraska Firearms Owners Association; National Rifle Association; College Baseball Umpire Alliance. Republican.



## Nebraska State Senators, 2015 (Cont'd.)



### **TOMMY L. GARRETT** **DISTRICT 3**

**Home Address:** 13705 S. 38th St., Bellevue, NE 68123

**Office Address:** Room 1208, State Capitol, Lincoln, NE 68509, phone (402) 471-2627, email — tgarrett@leg.ne.gov

**Appointed to Nebraska Legislature:** Dec. 11, 2013, to replace Scott Price, who resigned; elected to Legislature 2014

**Committees:** Government, Military and Veterans Affairs (vice chairperson); Transportation and Telecommunications; Committee on Committees; Rules (chairperson)

**Biography:** Born June 4, 1954, Keesler Air Force Base, Biloxi, Miss. Graduate of William C. Hinkley High School, 1972; Colorado State University (B.S. in business management), 1976; Troy State University (M.S. in international relations), 1986; National War College (M.S. in national security strategy), 2000. Military service: U.S. Air Force Intelligence, 1976-2003, colonel (retired). Married Julie Ann Cullen, Oct. 28, 1977; three children: Tommy II, Hannah and Maude. President and CEO, The Garrett Group, Inc. **Honors and awards:** Defense Superior Service Medal; Legion of Merit (twice); Bronze Star;

Meritorious Service Medal (six times); Air Force Commendation Medal; Air Force Achievement Medal; Combat Readiness Medal; National Defense Service Medal (one Service Star); Southwest Asia Service Medal (two Service Stars); Kuwait Liberation Medal, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia; Kuwait Liberation Medal, government of Kuwait; CIA Agency Seal Medallion. Republican.

### **ROBERT HILKEMANN**

### **DISTRICT 4**

**Home Address:** 17515 Douglas St., Omaha, NE 68118

**Office Address:** Room 1115, State Capitol, Lincoln, NE 68509, phone (402) 471-2621, email — rhilkemann@leg.ne.gov

**Elected to Nebraska Legislature:** 2014

**Committees:** Appropriations (vice chairperson)

**Biography:** Born Nov. 23, 1947, in Norfolk. Graduate of Randolph Public High School, 1965; Nebraska Wesleyan University (B.S. in biology), 1969; Illinois College of Podiatric Medicine (D.P.M., cum laude), 1976. Married Julie Beth Bryngelson, May 30, 1970; three children: Todd Harold Hilkemann, Elizabeth Sue Hilkemann Sullivan and Sara Ann Hilkemann Brinkmann. Retired podiatrist. Former high school science teacher and head varsity football coach. **Member:** American Podiatric Medical Association Board; Nebraska Podiatric Medical Association (legislative chairman and president, 1988-90; house of delegates member, 1982-93 and 1998-2013); Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association; foundation board, Tentmaker Youth Ministries; West Hills Church (elected elder). **Former**

**member:** Nebraska State Board of Health (chairman, vice chairman), 1984-88; board member, Patients' Rights Committee, Martin Luther Home, 1985-95; board member, Dayspring Ministry, 1984-2000; board member, Youth for Christ Omaha, 1984-94; sponsoring family, The Nurturing Network, 1991-92; Illinois Podiatric Medical Students Association (student body president, 1974-75); Table Rock Teachers Association, 1969-72. **Honors and awards:** Grace University Honorary Alumnus of the Year, 2007; American Podiatric Medical Association Fund for Podiatric Medical Education and Research's National Podiatrist of the Year Award, 1999; Voice of Democracy and William H. Danforth "I Dare You" Award, 1965. Republican.



## Nebraska State Senators, 2015 (Cont'd.)



### HEATH MELLO

### DISTRICT 5

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**Office Address:** Room 1004, State Capitol, Lincoln, NE 68509, phone (402) 471-2710, email — hmello@leg.ne.gov

**Elected to Nebraska Legislature:** 2008; re-elected 2012

**Committees:** Appropriations (chairperson); Nebraska Retirement Systems; Building Maintenance; Committee on Committees; Executive Board (ex officio); Legislative Performance Audit; Legislature's Planning; Reference (ex officio)

**Biography:** Born Aug. 2, 1979, in Omaha. Graduate of University of Nebraska-Lincoln (B.A. in political science), 2002. Married Catherine Leo, May 22, 2010. Community affairs and development specialist. Former senior aide to U.S. Senator Ben Nelson; assistant coordinator, Nebraska Community Improvement Program. **Member:** board, South Omaha Neighborhood Alliance; board, One World Community Health Center; board, Q Merchants Association; board, South Omaha Business Association; board, inCOMMON Community Development; South Omaha Optimists; South Omaha Environmental Task Force; Young Elected Officials

Network; National Caucus of Environmental Legislators; NewDEAL Leaders; Executive Committee, CSG Midwest Legislative Conference (MLC); co-chair, Economic Development Committee, CSG MLC; Budget and Revenue Committee, National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL); Labor and Economic Development Committee, NCSL; St. Thomas More Parish; Knights of Columbus. Democrat.

### JONI CRAIGHEAD

### DISTRICT 6

**Home Address:** 931 S. 119 Ct., Omaha, NE 68154

**Office Address:** Room 1529, State Capitol, Lincoln, NE 68509, phone (402) 471-2714, email — jrcraighead@leg.ne.gov

**Elected to Nebraska Legislature:** 2014

**Committees:** Banking, Commerce and Insurance; Government, Military and Veterans Affairs; Building Maintenance

**Biography:** Born Joni James, August 11, 1954, in Nebraska City. Graduate of Nebraska City High School, 1972; University of Nebraska Medical Center (B.S. in medical technology), 1976; University of Kansas (M.P.A.), 1982. Married Richard J. Hoback, Aug. 23, 2012; four children: Staci Craighead and Jennifer Craighead Dumas (with late husband Michael Craighead); Carrie Hoback Hill and Kyle Hoback. Realtor, real estate developer. Former governmental affairs director, Omaha Area Board of Realtors; coordinator, Nebraska Business Development Center, retail business owner, author and magazine publisher, business consultant, medical technologist, laboratory director, cofounder of two nonprofit organizations. **Member:** GOP Business and Professional Women. **Former member:** chair, Douglas County Republican Party (vice chair, finance chair); member, Nebraska Republican Party Central Committee; state judge, American National Teenager Scholarship Organization; judge, Outstanding Young Woman of Nebraska Pageant (America's Junior Miss); board, Grace University Foundation; board, The Cholangiocarcinoma Foundation; board, YWCA; board, Friends of Lied (publications editor); American Heart Association; committee, Child Saving Institute Cabaret; board, Opera Omaha – Cotillion; capital campaign publicity committee, Westside Church; annual fund drive vice chair, Great Plains Girl Scout



## Nebraska State Senators, 2015 (Cont'd.)

### JONI CRAIGHEAD (CONT'D.)

Council; Omaha Junior League; judge, Miss America Scholarship Organization; board, Miss Omaha/Douglas County and Miss Lincoln/Lancaster County Pageants; judge, Our Diamond Miss Pageant; board, Nebraska Children's Home Society; board, Big Brothers/Big Sisters; guild member and fundraising committee, The Rose Theater; board, One to One Leadership Council; founder and sponsor, Celebrate Mentoring Week; women's mentoring task force, Institute for Career Advancement Needs; walk committee, National Conference for Community and Justice; alumni chapter, Gamma Phi Beta sorority; board, Act II, Omaha Symphony Guild; board, Friends of Family Service; AkSarBen Friends; volunteer, Madonna School; volunteer, Clarkson Hospital Guild. **Honors and awards:** Omaha Junior League, Sustainer Hall of Fame, 2006; Omaha Businesswoman of the Year, ABWA, 2003; Tanner Foundation Legacy Award for Community Advocacy, 2000; Omaha Junior League, President's Award, 1999; SBA Outstanding Nebraska Advocate for Women in Business, 1996; Ten Outstanding Young Omahans, 1993; Outstanding Executive Director, Miss Kansas Scholarship Pageant, 1990; Women of the Year, ABWA, 1986. Republican.



### JEREMY J. NORDQUIST

### DISTRICT 7

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**Office Address:** Room 2004, State Capitol, Lincoln, NE 68509, phone (402) 471-2721, email — jnordquist@leg.ne.gov

**Elected to Nebraska Legislature:** 2008; re-elected 2012

**Committees:** Appropriations; Nebraska Retirement Systems (chairperson); Rules

**Biography:** Born Nov. 10, 1981, in Sioux Falls, S.D. Graduate of Beresford High School, Beresford, S.D., 2000; Creighton University (B.A.), 2004. Married Shannon C. Riley, Dec. 30, 2006. Former legislative aide, Nebraska Legislature, 2004-06; research analyst, Nebraska Retirement Systems Committee, Nebraska Legislature, 2007-08. **Member:** St. Frances Cabrini Parish; Knights of Columbus Council 3019; Dahlman Neighborhood Association; Old Market South Neighborhood Association; Downtown Omaha, Inc.; South Omaha Business Association. Democrat.

### BURKE J. HARR

### DISTRICT 8

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**Elected to Nebraska Legislature:** 2010; re-elected 2014

**Committees:** Agriculture; Business and Labor (chairperson); Revenue; Committee on Committees; Midwest Interstate Passenger Rail Compact

**Biography:** Born Oct. 13, 1971, in Illinois. Graduate of Creighton Preparatory School, 1990; University of St. Thomas, 1994; Notre Dame Law School (J.D.), 1998. Married to Jennifer; three children. Attorney. Democrat.



## Nebraska State Senators, 2015 (Cont'd.)



### SARA HOWARD

### DISTRICT 9

**Home Address:** 132 N. 40th St., Omaha, NE 68131

**Office Address:** Room 1012, State Capitol, Lincoln, NE 68509, phone (402) 471-2723, email — showard@leg.ne.gov

**Elected to Nebraska Legislature:** 2012

**Committees:** Banking, Commerce and Insurance; Health and Human Services (vice chairperson)

**Biography:** Born Sept. 24, 1981, in Omaha. Graduate of Duchesne Academy of the Sacred Heart High School, 1999; Smith College (B.A.), 2003; Loyola University of Chicago School of Law (J.D.), 2008. Development director, OneWorld Community Health Centers. Former staff attorney, Illinois Maternal and Child Health Coalition. **Member:** board, Live Well Omaha; Omaha Schools Foundation; volunteer, Film Streams. **Honors and awards:** 2012 Eleanor Roosevelt Rising Star Award, Douglas County Democratic Party. Democrat.

### ROBERT J. “BOB” KRIST

### DISTRICT 10

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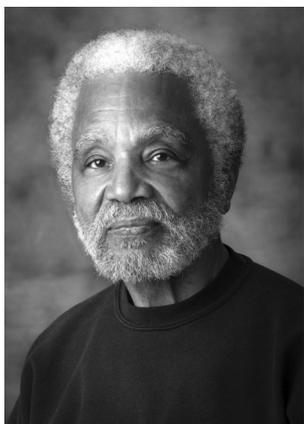
**Appointed to Nebraska Legislature:** Sept. 11, 2009, to replace Mike Friend, who resigned; elected to Legislature 2010; re-elected 2014

**Committees:** General Affairs; Judiciary; Urban Affairs; Committee on Committees; Executive Board (chairperson); Legislative Performance Audit; Legislature’s Planning; Reference (chairperson); Rules

**Biography:** Born March 29, 1957, in Omaha. Graduate of Creighton Preparatory School, 1975; University of St. Thomas (B.A. in sociology), 1979; Webster University (M.A. in business administration and human relations), 1982. Military service: U.S. Air Force (1979-2000). Married Margaret Mary O’Connor, July 26, 1980; two children: Justin and Courtney. Contract manager and chief pilot. Former U.S. Air Force Lt. Col., retired. **Former member:** Cass County SID (president, 2007-09); advisory board, Madonna School, 1992-2008 (president); Air Force Association Board (1997-99); 55th Wing Association Board (1996-98). **Honors and awards:** Air Force Air Medal; Meritorious Service Medal; Air Force Commendation Medal; Aerial Achievement Medal; Distinguished Service Award, National Guard Association of Nebraska, 2011; Public Official of the Year, The Arc of Nebraska, 2011; Legislator of the Year, American Institute of Architects Nebraska Chapter, 2012; selected as co-chair of the Statewide Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative, 2012; inductee, Nebraska Aviation Hall of Fame, 2014. Republican.



## Nebraska State Senators, 2015 (Cont'd.)



### ERNIE CHAMBERS DISTRICT 11

**Home Address:** 3116 N. 24th St., Omaha, NE 68110

**Office Address:** Room 1114, State Capitol, Lincoln, NE 68509, phone (402) 471-2612

**Elected to Nebraska Legislature:** 1970; re-elected 1972, 1976, 1980, 1984, 1988, 1992, 1996, 2000 and 2004; 2012

**Committees:** Agriculture; Business and Labor; Judiciary; Executive Board; Reference

**Biography:** Born July 10, 1937, in Omaha. Defender of the Downtrodden. Independent.

### MERV RIEPE

### DISTRICT 12

**Home Address:** 6232 South 79th Cr., Ralston, NE 68127

**Office Address:** Room 1528, State Capitol, Lincoln, NE 68509, phone (402) 471-2623, email — [mriepe@leg.ne.gov](mailto:mriepe@leg.ne.gov)

**Elected to Nebraska Legislature:** 2014

**Committees:** Agriculture; General Affairs; Health and Human Services; Legislature's Planning

**Biography:** Born July 16, 1942, in rural Griswold, Iowa. Graduate of Griswold High School, 1960; University of Nebraska at Omaha (B.S. in finance), 1968; University of Iowa (M.A. in health policy and management), 1970. Military service: senior corpsman, Balboa Naval Hospital, U.S. Navy, 1960-63. Married Jody Gillispie, Nov. 2, 1996: one son, S. Merle Riepe. Former hospital and health care manager. **Member:** board of directors, Outlook Nebraska, Inc. (chair, 2010-12); president's board of advisors, Nebraska Wesleyan University; Ralston American Legion Post #373; National Rifle Association. **Former member:** American College of Healthcare Executives, 1970-2008 (fellow, 1990-2008); Medical Group Management Association, 1994-2008; governing board, Omaha Symphony, 2001-03; Nebraska Wesleyan University Omaha Club (founder and president, 2002); pediatric provider executive council, Child Health Corporation of America, 1994-98; chair, National Association of Children's Health Related Institutions (NACHRI) strategic financial planning committee, 1992-96; national council of trustees, Franciscan Sisters of the Poor, 1990-92; health policy and management alumni board, University of Iowa, 1986-90; board of directors, Children's Square, U.S.A., 1985-89; board of directors, Council Bluffs Chamber of Commerce, 1985-89; chair, Council Bluffs United Way Campaign, 1988; Friends of Scouting Campaign for Council Bluffs, 1987; finance committee, Omaha First United Methodist Church, 1979-85; Golden Eagle District, Mid-America Council, Boy Scouts of America, 1982-85; executive board of directors, Mid-America Council, Boy Scouts of America, 1983-85. **Honors and awards:** Friend of Nebraska Wesleyan University Alumni Award, 2008. Republican.



## Nebraska State Senators, 2015 (Cont'd.)



### TANYA D. COOK

### DISTRICT 13

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**Elected to Nebraska Legislature:** 2008; re-elected 2012

**Committees:** Education; Health and Human Services; Legislature's Planning (chairperson)

**Biography:** Born Nov. 9, 1964, in Agana, Guam. Graduate of Georgetown University (B.S. in business administration, concentration in international management); University of Nebraska-Lincoln (M.A. in training and development). President, City Girl Communications; guest faculty, University of Nebraska Medical Center College of Public Health. Former director of urban affairs, Nebraska governor's office. **Member:** board of directors/executive committee and planning, allocation and community development cabinet, United Way of the Midlands; state director, Women in Government; Florence Kiwanis; North Omaha Commercial Club; board of trustees/

executive committee, Girls Incorporated of Omaha; Pilgrim Baptist Church; American Council of Young Political Leaders; Leadership Omaha Alumni Association. **Former member:** Commission for the Protection of Children; advisory board, Wells Fargo Bank; Great Plains Public Health Leadership Institute; board, Nebraska AIDS Project; board, Omaha Public Library Foundation. **Honors and awards:** award for public advocacy, National Coalition of 100 Black Women; Ten Outstanding Young Omahans, Omaha Jaycees; fellowship, Rotary International Foundation; 2014 Early Learning Fellows Program, National Conference of State Legislatures; award for government, Urban League of Nebraska, 2014; Advocate of the Year, Health Center Association of Nebraska, 2013. Democrat.

### JIM SMITH

### DISTRICT 14

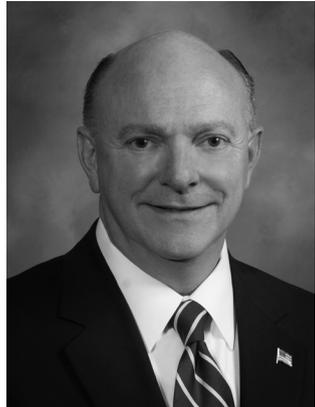
**Home Address:** 904 Bailey Dr., Papillion, NE 68046

**Office Address:** Room 1110, State Capitol, Lincoln, NE 68509, phone (402) 471-2730, email — [jsmith@leg.ne.gov](mailto:jsmith@leg.ne.gov)

**Elected to Nebraska Legislature:** 2010; re-elected 2014

**Committees:** Revenue; Transportation and Telecommunications (chairperson); Committee on Committees

**Biography:** Born Feb. 9, 1959, in Pensacola, Fla. Graduate of University of West Florida (B.A. in accounting), 1984; Creighton University (MBA), 1996. Married Ruth Blair, Oct. 3, 1987; two children. Owner, Norm's Door Service. Former manager, Omaha Public Power District **Member:** state chair, ALEC; Offutt Advisory Council; board, Wings Over the Heartland; board of directors, Ralston Schools Foundation; Greater Omaha Chamber of Commerce; Ralston-Area Chamber of Commerce; Sarpy County Chamber of Commerce; elected officials advisory council, Papillion-La Vista Schools. **Former member:** board of directors, Nebraska Make-A-Wish Foundation; advisory council, Papillion-La Vista Schools; operating board, UNMC/MMI; Nebraska State One-Call Board; planning commission, City of Papillion; planning commission, City of Ralston. Republican.



## Nebraska State Senators, 2015 (Cont'd.)



### DAVID A. SCHNOOR DISTRICT 15

**Office Address:** Room 1118, State Capitol, Lincoln, NE 68509, phone (402) 471-2625, email address — dschnoor@leg.ne.gov

**Appointed to Nebraska Legislature:** Dec. 12, 2014, to replace Charlie Janssen, who resigned

**Committees:** Education; Natural Resources

**Biography:** Born Dec. 29, 1961, in West Point. Graduate of Scribner High School, 1980. Military service: U.S. Air Force, 1980-2000. Married to Nickie; eight children: Amanda, Kathleen, Anthony, Daniel, Randal, Austin, Jake and Shawn. Rancher, cattle feeder. Republican.

### LYDIA N. BRASCH DISTRICT 16

**Home Address:** 1717 18th Rd., Bancroft, NE 68004

**Office Address:** Room 1016, State Capitol, Lincoln, NE 68509, phone (402) 471-2728, email — lbrasch@leg.ne.gov

**Elected to Nebraska Legislature:** 2010; re-elected 2014

**Committees:** Revenue; Transportation and Telecommunications (vice chairperson); State-Tribal Relations (vice chairperson)

**Biography:** Born Lydia Scherbak, July 14, 1953, in Lincoln. Graduate of Lincoln High School, 1971; University of Nebraska-Lincoln (B.A.), 1989. Married Lee A. Brasch, July 9, 1993; two children: Dylan and Alyssa; four grandchildren. Farmer; owner, Brasch Marketing and Design. Former service agency salesperson, Computer Automation Systems Education Solutions; marketing director, Nebraska State Fair; public information officer, Nebraska Department of Revenue. **Member:** West Point Optimist Club; Association of Educational Service Agencies; St. Paul Lutheran Church of Bancroft. **Former member:** Nebraska State Fair Foundation; Cuming County Fair Foundation. **Honors and awards:** Toll Fellow, Council of State Governments Henry Toll Fellowship Program, 2014; BILLD fellow, Midwest Council of State Governments Bowhay Institute for Legislative Leadership, 2012; National Conference of State Legislatures Emerging Leaders Symposium, 2012; Presidents award, National Management Association, state chapter, 1990. Republican.



## Nebraska State Senators, 2015 (Cont'd.)



### DAVE BLOOMFIELD

### DISTRICT 17

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**Appointed to Nebraska Legislature:** Dec. 2, 2010, to replace Robert J. Giese, who resigned; elected to Legislature 2012

**Committees:** Agriculture; Business and Labor (vice chairperson); Government, Military and Veterans Affairs; Committee on Committees; Rules (vice chairperson); State-Tribal Relations

**Biography:** Born Jan. 9, 1946, in Sioux City, Iowa. Graduate of Jackson District #5 K-8 “Timber School,” 1960; South Sioux City High School, 1964. Military Service: U.S. Army (1966-68); Vietnam veteran. Married Dee Boeckenbauer; four children: Christina Spethman, Charles Bloomfield, Beth Brader and Mark Bloomfield. Semi-retired farmer. Former truck driver.

**Member:** Winside American Legion and Sons of the American Legion; Wayne County Republican Party (chairman). **Former member:** Jackson School Board. Republican.

### BRETT LINDSTROM

### DISTRICT 18

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**Elected to Nebraska Legislature:** 2014

**Committees:** Banking, Commerce and Insurance; Natural Resources; Midwest Interstate Passenger Rail Compact; State-Tribal Relations (chairperson)

**Biography:** Born March 23, 1981, in Lincoln. Graduate of Millard West High School, 1999; University of Nebraska-Lincoln (B.S. in history), 2004. Married Leigh Ancona, Aug. 18, 2007; two children: Colette and Barron. Financial advisor. Republican.



## Nebraska State Senators, 2015 (Cont'd.)



### JIM SCHEER

### DISTRICT 19

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**Elected to Nebraska Legislature:** 2012

**Committees:** Banking, Commerce and Insurance (chairperson); Revenue; Education Commission of the States; Legislative Performance Audit; State-Tribal Relations

**Biography:** Born Sept. 19, 1953, in Norfolk. Graduate of Norfolk Public Schools; University of Nebraska-Lincoln (B.S. in business administration), 1976. Married Kristi J. Dudley, June 14, 1975; three children: Keeli, Rachel and John. Insurance agency owner. Former Norfolk mayor. **Member:** Norfolk Public Schools Board of Education; Elder Grace Lutheran Church, Norfolk; board member, Liberty Center mental health organization. Republican.

### JOHN S. MCCOLLISTER

### DISTRICT 20

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**Elected to Nebraska Legislature:** 2014

**Committees:** Business and Labor; Natural Resources; Urban Affairs (vice chairperson)

**Biography:** Born April 29, 1947, in Moline, Ill. Graduate of Westside High School; University of Nebraska-Lincoln (B.S. in business administration), 1971. Married Deborah Way, April 5, 1971; three children: Lauren, Daniel and Jeffrey. Principal, McCollister & Company. Former executive director, Platte Institute for Economic Research; president, McCollister & Company. **Member:** Omaha Downtown Rotary; board member, Mid-America Council, Boy Scouts of America; UNL College of Business Administration Advisory Board. **Former member:** board of directors, Metropolitan Utilities District (1979-2008). **Honors and awards:** Boy Scouts of America, Silver Beaver Award and Award of Merit. Republican.



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### KEN HAAR

### DISTRICT 21

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**Elected to Nebraska Legislature:** 2008; re-elected 2012

**Committees:** Appropriations

**Biography:** Born March 10, 1943, in Freeman, S.D. Graduate of Lincoln High School (co-valedictorian), 1961; University of Nebraska-Lincoln (B.S. in education with high distinction), 1965 and (M.S. in educational administration), 1973. Married Christine Funk, Dec. 30, 2000; two children: Paul and Michael. President and CEO, Compliance at a Gance, Inc. Former teacher and computer programmer/analyst. **Member:** Nebraska Farmers Union. **Former member:** Lincoln City Council (1989-97); Lincoln/Lancaster County Board of Health; Lincoln Mediation Center Board. Democrat.

### PAUL SCHUMACHER

### DISTRICT 22

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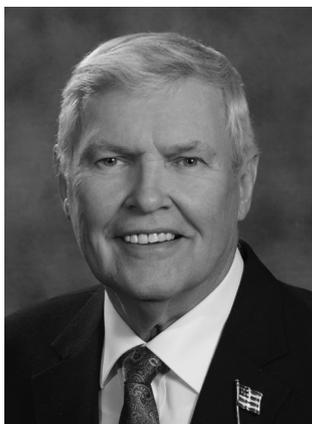
**Elected to Nebraska Legislature:** 2010; re-elected 2014

**Committees:** Banking, Commerce and Insurance; Revenue (vice chairperson); Committee on Committees; Legislature's Planning (vice chairperson); Rules

**Biography:** Born April 4, 1951, in Columbus. Graduate of Humphrey St. Francis, 1969; Platte College (Associate degree), 1971; Fort Hays State College (B.S., summa cum laude), 1973; Georgetown University (J.D.), 1976. Married Michele Gasse, June 26, 1976; two children: Nicole and Kristen. Attorney; president, Community Lottery Systems, Inc.; vice-president, Community Internet Systems, Inc. Former Platte County Attorney. **Member:** Nebraska Bar Association; Florida Bar Association. Republican.



## Nebraska State Senators, 2015 (Cont'd.)



### JERRY JOHNSON DISTRICT 23

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**Elected to the Nebraska Legislature:** 2012

**Committees:** Agriculture (chairperson); Business and Labor; Natural Resources

**Biography:** Born Nov. 23, 1942, in Holdrege. Graduate of Holdrege High School, 1960; attended Luther Jr. College in Wahoo. Married Arlene Lucille Brodd, June 24, 1962; two children: Bryce Johnson and Valerie Foster. Former Wahoo mayor; manager/CEO, Farmer Cooperatives in Nebraska. **Member:** board, Wahoo Chamber of Commerce; secretary, Wahoo Community Foundation; Greater Wahoo Economic Development Foundation, (president, 2011-12). **Former member:** Wahoo City Council (president); church council, Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Wahoo (president); Wahoo Planning and Zoning Board; Shelby Q125 (co-chairman); Shelby Chamber of Commerce; Nebraska Lutheran Men in Mission (executive director, 1998-

2009); Plymouth Community Club; board member, Annie Jeffery Hospital; Loan and Grant Scholarship secretary, Nebraska Lutheran Men in Mission; Shelby Chamber of Commerce (president, 1989-91); City of McCook Planning and Zoning Board (chairman); McCook Chamber of Commerce (vice president, 1984-86). **Honors and awards:** 2010 NCIP Volunteer of the Year; 2010 Nebraska/Iowa Layperson of the Year; 2010 Nebraska Cooperative Hall of Fame; 2009 Governor's Point of Light; 2007 Distinguished Alumni Award, Luther Jr. College; 2007 Envision Award, Wahoo Chamber of Commerce. Republican.

### MARK A. KOLTERMAN DISTRICT 24

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**Elected to Nebraska Legislature:** 2014

**Committees:** Agriculture (vice chairperson); General Affairs; Health and Human Services; Nebraska Retirement Systems; Building Maintenance

**Biography:** Born March 16, 1951, in Seward. Graduate of Seward High School, 1969; Southeast Community College, Milford (associate degree in building construction), 1974; Peru State College (bachelor's degree in industrial technology) 1994. Married Suzanne Geis, Aug. 7, 1971; two children: Jessica and Jennifer. Insurance professional. Former real estate salesperson. **Member:** Seward Chamber of Commerce; Seward Area Development Corporation (president); Nebraska Diplomats; St. John Lutheran Church (chairman, elder). **Former member:** Southeast Nebraska Development District; Seward County Republican Party chairperson (state central committee member); Concordia University Board of Regents; Concordia University Foundation Board (president); Memorial Health Care Systems Foundation Board (president); volunteer firefighter; Seward Kiwanis (president); Boy Scout leader; government relations chairman, Nebraska Association of Independent Financial Advisors; board secretary, Nebraska Health Underwriters Association; board member, Independent Insurance Agents of Nebraska. **Honors and awards:** life member, Million Dollar Round Table; Honorary Alumni of the Year, Concordia University, 2005; Young Agent of the Year, Independent Insurance Agents of Nebraska, 1987; Rookie Agent of the Year, Principal Financial Group of Nebraska, 1986. Republican.



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### KATHY CAMPBELL

### DISTRICT 25

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**Elected to Nebraska Legislature:** 2008; re-elected 2012

**Committees:** Banking, Commerce and Insurance; Health and Human Services (chairperson); Committee on Committees; Executive Board; Legislature's Planning; Reference

**Biography:** Born Kathy Kuester, Dec. 1, 1946, in Norfolk. Graduate of University of Nebraska-Lincoln (B.S.), 1969 and (M.Ed.) 1970. Married Richard B. Campbell, Dec. 28, 1968; two children: Andrew J. Campbell and Caroline C. Grimes. Retired. Former owner/manager, Campbells Nurseries; executive vice president, CEDARS Home for Children Foundation; teacher, Lincoln Public Schools and Sierra Vista Arizona Public Schools. **Member:** board of trustees, BryanLGH Medical Center; Nebraska Medicaid Reform Council; Southern Heights Presbyterian Church; Junior League of Lincoln; Independent Business Association. **Former member:** administrative board,

Lincoln Electric System; board of directors, Leadership Lincoln; Lancaster County Board of Commissioners; board of directors, Nebraska Association of County Officials; board of directors, Food Bank of Lincoln; board of directors, United Way of Lincoln/Lancaster County; UNMC Board of Counselors (chair). **Honors and awards:** Community Builder Award, Lincoln Chamber of Commerce; Grace Abbott Award, Nebraska Children and Families Foundation; A Woman of Distinction Award, Nebraska Women's Commission. Republican.

### MATT HANSEN

### DISTRICT 26

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**Elected to Nebraska Legislature:** 2014

**Committees:** General Affairs; Government, Military and Veterans Affairs; Urban Affairs; Enrollment and Review (chairperson)

**Biography:** Born Feb. 11, 1988, in Morgantown, W. Va. Graduate of Lincoln Southwest High School, 2006; University of Nebraska-Lincoln (B.A. in psychology and political science), 2010; University of Nebraska College of Law (J.D.), 2013. **Member:** vice president, University Place Community Organization. Democrat.



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### COLBY J. COASH DISTRICT 27

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**Elected to Nebraska Legislature:** 2008; re-elected 2012

**Committees:** General Affairs (vice chairperson); Judiciary (vice chairperson); Urban Affairs; Committee on Committees (vice chairperson); Executive Board; Reference; State-Tribal Relations

**Biography:** Born Oct. 29, 1975, in Bassett. Graduate of Rock County High School, 1994; University of Nebraska-Lincoln (B.A.), 1998. Married Rhonda Niewohner, July 27, 2002; one child: Cole. Independent consultant, self-employed.

**Member:** Blessed Sacrament Church; board member, Association of Community Professionals. Republican.

### PATTY PANSING BROOKS DISTRICT 28

**Home Address:** 1925 Dakota St., Lincoln, NE 68502

**Office Address:** Room 1523, State Capitol, Lincoln, NE 68509, phone (402) 471-2633, email — ppansingbrooks@leg.ne.gov

**Elected to Nebraska Legislature:** 2014

**Committees:** Education; Judiciary

**Biography:** Born Patty Pansing, Sept. 30, 1958, in Lincoln. Graduate of Lincoln Southeast High School, 1976; Colorado College, 1980; University of Nebraska College of Law (J.D.), 1984. Married Loel P. Brooks, July 7, 1982; three children: Taylor, Graham and Avary. Attorney, co-founder and vice president, Brooks, Pansing Brooks, PC, L.L.O. Former senior policy counsel/aid, Mayor Beutler; general counsel, Spence Title Insurance Company; law clerk, Nebraska Association of School Boards. **Member:** Nebraska Bar Association; Lincoln Bar Association; board, Partnership for a Healthy Lincoln; superintendent's advisory committee, Lincoln Public Schools (co-chair, 2010-13); coordinating committee, First Plymouth Church Renovation Campaign; Cather Circle; trustee, Lincoln Community Foundation; trustee, Lincoln Public Schools Foundation; trustee, Lincoln Parks Foundation; trustee, Mourning Hope; board, Lincoln Public Schools PTO; Lincoln Chamber of Commerce; First Plymouth Church. **Former member:** fundraising campaign, Nebraska's Centennial Mall (co-chair); fundraising campaign, Union Plaza (co-chair); school bond campaign (co-chair); superintendent's student housing task force, Lincoln Public Schools (co-chair); chancellor's board of counselors, University of Nebraska Medical Center; board, MEDICI UNL (chair); Family Service Association (president); board, Folsom Children's Zoo and Botanical Gardens; Lincoln-Lancaster County Commission on the Status of Women (president, 1989-90); board, Community Blood Bank of the Lancaster County Medical Society; board, United Way of Lancaster County. **Honors and awards:** 2013 Volunteer Fundraiser of the Year, Nebraska Chapter, Association of Fundraising Professionals; fellow, Nebraska State Bar Foundation (1998); Lincoln Barristers-Inns of Court (1992-99); fellow, Leadership Lincoln III; member, Nebraska Law Review (1983-84). Democrat.



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### KATE J. BOLZ

### DISTRICT 29

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**Elected to Nebraska Legislature:** 2012

**Committees:** Appropriations

**Biography:** Born March 1, 1979, in Lincoln. Graduate of Palmyra High School, 1997; Nebraska Wesleyan University, 2001; University of Michigan (M.S.W.), 2005. Executive director, Nebraska Association of Service Providers (NASP); professor, Nebraska Wesleyan University. **Member:** Palmyra Presbyterian Church; First Plymouth Congregational Church; Lincoln Young Professionals Group; volunteer, Meals on Wheels and March of Dimes. Democrat.

### ROY E. BAKER

### DISTRICT 30

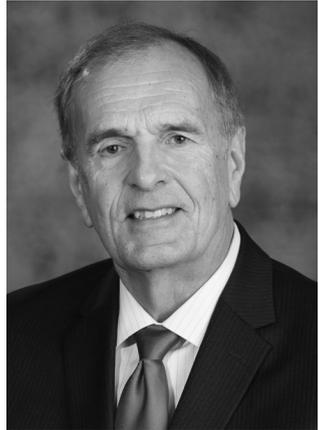
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**Elected to Nebraska Legislature:** 2014

**Committees:** Education; Health and Human Services; Education Commission of the States

**Biography:** Born in 1945, in York. Graduate of Benedict High School, 1963; University of Nebraska-Lincoln (B.S.), 1967, (M.Ed.), 1970 and (Ed.D.) 1977. Married Paula L. Vineyard, Jan. 27, 1968; two children: Richard and Scott. Partner, Baker and Rastovski School Services, LLC. Former superintendent of schools. **Member:** board, Norris Educational Foundation; board, GameOn1125. **Honors and awards:** NCSA Distinguished Service Award, 2010; Nebraska Superintendent of the Year, 2005; Southwest Iowa Superintendent of the Year, 1994; Outstanding Educational Leader, Phi Delta Kappa, University of Nebraska-Lincoln. Republican.



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### **RICHARD L. KOLOWSKI**      **DISTRICT 31**

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**Elected to Nebraska Legislature:** 2012

**Committees:** Education (vice chairperson); Natural Resources; Nebraska Retirement Systems

**Biography:** Born Dec. 26, 1944, in LaSalle, Ill. Graduate of LaSalle-Peru Township High School, 1962; Lake Forest College (B.A.), 1966; University of Nebraska at Omaha (M.S.), 1970; University of Nebraska-Lincoln (Ph.D.), 1978. Military service: U.S. Marine Corps Reserve (1964-67). Married Bonnie Mae Gerrard, Dec. 26, 1966; two children: Jason and David. Educational consultant, Secondary School Reform. Former teacher; department head; curriculum coordinator; assistant principal; director of secondary education; high school principal. **Member:** Southwest Kiwanis Club, Omaha, 2005-present; board of directors, Papio-Missouri River Natural Resources District, 2004-12 (assistant treasurer, vice-chairman, chairman); board of governors, Phi Delta Kappa Education Foundation, 2011-present; Learning Community Coordinating Council of Douglas and Sarpy Counties (chairman, 2009-12). **Former member:** Omaha City Parks Committee, 2010-12; Omaha 2000 Education Committee, 1993-2003; board of directors, Phi Delta Kappa, 1989-2003 (international president, 1999-2001); Omaha South/Southwest YMCA (board chairman, 1989-91); Leadership Omaha, class of 1987-88. **Honors and awards:** 2007 Outstanding Administrator, Nebraska Music Educators Association; 2006 Friend of Education Award; 2000 and 2007 Nebraska State Region II Principal of the Year; 2006 National Principal of the Year, National Science Teachers Association. Democrat.

### **LAURA EBKE**

### **DISTRICT 32**

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**Elected to Nebraska Legislature:** 2014

**Committees:** Business and Labor; Judiciary; Urban Affairs

**Biography:** Born Laura Schwab, June 4, 1962, in Manhattan, Kan. Graduate of Fairbury High School, 1980; Excelsior College (bachelor of liberal studies), 1991; University of Memphis (M.A. in political science), 1993; University of Nebraska-Lincoln (Ph.D. in political science), 2005. Married Russell Ebke, May 9, 1981; three children: Jennifer Craven, Natasha and Isaac. Adjunct college instructor. Former college instructor, restaurant manager. **Member:** Girl Scout leader; United Church of Christ - First Congregational Church (moderator, 2001-02 and 2013). **Former member:** Crete School Board; Homestead Council Board. **Honors and awards:** Girl Scout Thanks Badge and numerous volunteer awards. Republican.



## Nebraska State Senators, 2015 (Cont'd.)



### LES SEILER

### DISTRICT 33

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**Appointed to Nebraska Legislature:** Jan. 14, 2012, to replace Dennis Utter, who died; elected to Legislature 2012

**Committees:** Judiciary (chairperson); Transportation and Telecommunications

**Biography:** Born March 10, 1941, in Red Cloud. Graduate of Wayne State (B.A.), 1963; University of Nebraska College of Law (J.D.) 1966. Married Joann K. Kratochvil, May 26, 1966; three children: Stephanie, Gregory and Bradley. Attorney, Seiler & Parker, P.C., L.L.O. Former Assistant general counsel, Metropolitan Utilities District (1966-67); Nebraska assistant attorney general. Military Service: U.S. Army Reserve (1966-67); Nebraska National Guard, J.A.G. Captain (1967-77). **Member:** Mid-West Lodge #317; Scottish Rite – Valley of Hastings; Shrine – Tehema Temple (potentate, 1982); First Presbyterian Church; Adams County Bar Association (president, 1974); Nebraska State Bar Association.

**Former member:** board of directors, Central Nebraska Comprehensive Health Planning Commission, 1971-76 (president); board of trustees, Eastern Star Home for Children, 1984-90; Nebraska DeMolay Foundation, 1984-2000; board of directors, Nebraska Children's Home Society, 1990; disciplinary review board, Nebraska State Bar Association, 1993-98; board of directors, Plattsmouth Masonic Home, 1997-2001; board of trustees, First Presbyterian Church, Hastings (president, board of deacons); past grand master, Grand Lodge of Nebraska, 2003-04. **Honors and awards:** Volunteer award, American Legion Baseball, 1990; Order of Arrow, Boy Scouts of America, 1984; volunteer of the year, Adams County YWCA, 1983; Outstanding Young Men of America, 1972; Accommodation Medal, Nebraska National Guard, 1969. Republican.

### CURT FRIESEN

### DISTRICT 34

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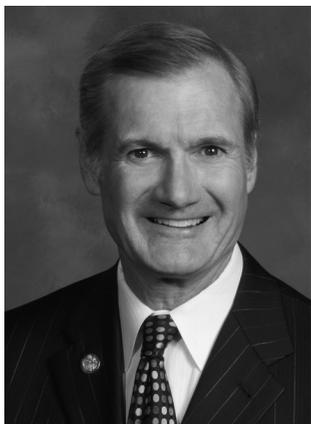
**Elected to Nebraska Legislature:** 2014

**Committees:** Natural Resources (vice chairperson); Transportation and Telecommunications

**Biography:** Born July 13, 1955, in Henderson. Graduate of Henderson Community School, 1973; Southeast Community College in Millford, 1975. Married Nancy Vaught, Sept. 6, 1975; four children: Shannon Rein, Kori Lewis, Tiffany Milone and Neal Friesen. Farmer. Former Henderson mayor (2000-04). **Member:** Henderson Chamber of Commerce; Hamilton County Corn Growers. **Former member:** Upper Big Blue NRD (chair, 2007-08); League of Nebraska Municipalities; Nebraska Corn Board; Henderson Fire Department; Henderson City Council; LEAD XXVII. Republican.



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### MIKE GLOOR

### DISTRICT 35

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**Elected to Nebraska Legislature:** 2008; re-elected 2012

**Committees:** Banking, Commerce and Insurance; Revenue (chairperson); Legislature's Planning

**Biography:** Born Nov. 27, 1950, in Alliance. Graduate of Hastings College (B.A.), 1972; University of Utah (M.S.), 1976; University of Minnesota (M.H.A.), 1987. Military service: U.S. Air Force (1972-76). Two children: Marnie and Brock. Retired hospital CEO. Former president and CEO, Saint Francis Medical Center, Grand Island. **Member:** deacon, Presbyterian Church; Grand Island Rotary. **Former Member:** Grand Island Chamber of Commerce; Grand Island Area Economic Development Corporation Board (chair); Mid-Plains Community Mental Health Center Board (chair); Nebraska Hospital Association (chair); Heartland United Way Campaign (co-chair);

strategic policy committee, American Hospital Association; regional policy committee, American Hospital Association. Republican.

### MATT WILLIAMS

### DISTRICT 36

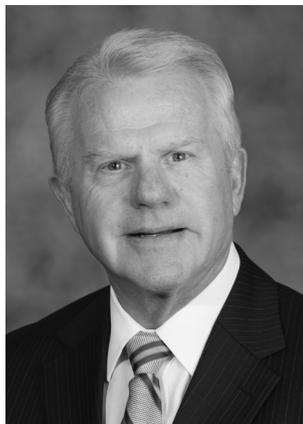
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**Elected to Nebraska Legislature:** 2014

**Committees:** Banking, Commerce and Insurance (vice chairperson); Judiciary

**Biography:** Born Feb. 5, 1949, in Gothenburg. Graduate of Gothenburg High School, 1967; University of Nebraska-Lincoln (business administration), 1971; University of Nebraska College of Law (J.D.), 1974. Married Susan Kay Wright, Aug. 2, 1969; two children: Robert Williams and Julie Rickertsen. Banker. **Member:** Nebraska Bankers Association (chair, 2003-04); American Bankers Association (chair, 2012-13); board, Innovation Campus; trustee, University of Nebraska Foundation; Ag Builders of Nebraska; board member, Gothenburg Redevelopment Authority (chair, 1993 to present); Nebraska Diplomats; Nebraska Bar Association; First Presbyterian Church (lay leader, elder). **Former member:** FDIC Advisory Committee on Community Banking; president's advisory council, University of Nebraska; Nebraska Chamber of Commerce; state board, TeamMates Mentoring Program; board member, Gothenburg Improvement Company (president); board member, Gothenburg Area Chamber of Commerce (president). **Honors and awards:** American Bankers Association Ag Banker of the Year, 2014; UNL Alumni Achievement Award, 2013; Pony Express Rider Award - Gothenburg, 2013. Republican.



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**GALEN HADLEY**

**DISTRICT 37**

**SPEAKER OF THE LEGISLATURE**

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**Elected to Nebraska Legislature:** 2008; re-elected 2012

**Committees:** Committee on Committees; Executive Board; Legislative Performance Audit; Legislature's Planning; Reference; Rules (ex officio)

**Biography:** Born March 9, 1942, in Lincoln. Graduate of University of Nebraska-Lincoln (B.S., B.A.), 1964; University of Colorado (M.B.A.), 1969; University of Nebraska-Lincoln (Ph.D.), 1975. Military service: U.S. Marine Corps Reserve (1960-66). Married Marilyn Bowen, June 1, 1974. Professor emeritus, University of Nebraska at Kearney. Former professor; higher education administrator; Kearney mayor. **Former member:** Catholic Healthcare Audit Network Board; Kearney

City Council; Good Samaritan Hospital Board; Kearney Area Chamber of Commerce; Buffalo County Economic Development Board. Republican.

**JOHN L. KUEHN**

**DISTRICT 38**

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**Elected to Nebraska Legislature:** 2014

**Committees:** Appropriations; Legislative Performance Audit (vice chairperson)

**Biography:** Born May 26, 1974, in Heartwell. Graduate of Minden High School, 1992; Hastings College (B.A. in biology), 1996; Kansas State University (D.V.M.), 2000. Rancher, veterinarian, professor. **Member:** Minden Rotary Club (president, 2004-05); Nebraska Veterinary Medical Association; Nebraska Farm Bureau. **Former member:** board of directors, Southern Power District, 2009-14 (secretary, 2011-14). **Honors and awards:** 1996 USA Today All-USA Academic First Team. Republican.



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### BEAU R. MCCOY DISTRICT 39

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**Elected to Nebraska Legislature:** 2008; re-elected 2012

**Committees:** Government, Military and Veterans Affairs; Transportation and Telecommunications; Committee on Committees (chairperson)

**Biography:** Born Nov. 12, 1980, in Burlington, Colo. Graduate of Bellevue University (B.A.), 2007. Married Shauna Smagacz, April 20, 2002; four children: Nora, Ryan, Audrey and Tess. Home improvement contractor, business owner. Former project coordinator. **Member:** chair-elect, Council of State Governments (CSG); executive committee, CSG; leadership council, CSG; executive committee, Midwestern Legislative Conference (chair); Westside Church. **Former member:** Nebraska Federation of Young Republicans (national committeeman). **Honors and awards:** Toll Fellow, Council of State Governments Henry Toll Fellowship Program; BILLD Fellow, Midwest Council of State Governments Bowhay Institute for

Legislative Leadership, 2009; American Conservative Union's 2013 Political Action Conference (CPAC) 10 Conservatives Under 40. Republican.

### TYSON LARSON DISTRICT 40

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**Elected to Nebraska Legislature:** 2010; re-elected 2014

**Committees:** Agriculture; General Affairs (chairperson); Government, Military and Veterans Affairs; Executive Board; Legislative Performance Audit; Reference

**Biography:** Born April 16, 1986, in Ft. Carson, Colo. Graduate of Weeping Water High School, 2004; Georgetown University, (B.A. in government and theology) 2008. Entrepreneur. **Member:** Young Art Patrons Committee, Joslyn Art Museum; Georgetown University Alumni Admissions Program; Rotary Club. Republican.



## Nebraska State Senators, 2015 (Cont'd.)



### KATE SULLIVAN

### DISTRICT 41

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**Elected to Nebraska Legislature:** 2008; re-elected 2012

**Committees:** Education (chairperson); Revenue; Education Commission of the States; Midwestern Higher Education Commission

**Biography:** Born Kate Kokes, March 1, 1950, in Burwell. Graduate of Ord High School, 1967; University of Nebraska-Lincoln (B.S.), 1971 and (M.S.) 1975. Married Mike Sullivan, June 26, 1971; two children: Jill and Mollie. Banker, board of directors, Cedar Rapids State Bank; president, Kokes Corporation family farm; vice president, Bluestem Beef, Inc. Former home economist, University of Nebraska Cooperative Extension Service. **Member:** Cedar Rapids Legion Auxiliary; Cedar Rapids Community Foundation; Cedar Rapids Community Club; life member, Nebraska LEAD Alumni Association; St.

Anthony's Catholic Church and Altar Society; University of Nebraska Family, Youth & Community Partners; Albion Country Club; Nebraska Bankers Association; Nebraska Independent Community Bankers; Nebraska AgRelations Council; Nebraska Agriculture Builders, Inc.; co-vice chair, BILLD Steering Committee, Council of State Governments; Early Learning Fellow, National Conference of State Legislatures. **Former member:** Cedar Rapids School Board (treasurer); Nebraska Children & Families Foundation (executive board); 2010 Council of State Governments BILLD Fellow. Democrat.

### MIKE GROENE

### DISTRICT 42

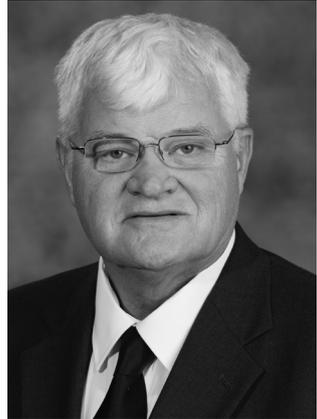
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**Elected to Nebraska Legislature:** 2014

**Committees:** Education; Government, Military and Veterans Affairs; Nebraska Retirement Systems

**Biography:** Born Aug. 10, 1955, in Nebraska. Graduate of Dodge High School, 1973; University of Nebraska-Lincoln (B.S. in agricultural economics), 1977. Married Barb, Jan. 29, 1985; two children: Rebecca and Jebb. Territorial sales manager. Former agricultural plant manager. Republican.



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### AL DAVIS

### DISTRICT 43

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**Elected to Nebraska Legislature:** 2012

**Committees:** Nebraska Retirement Systems (vice chairperson); Revenue; Transportation and Telecommunications; State-Tribal Relations

**Biography:** Born July 28, 1952, in Alliance. Graduate of Hyannis High School, 1970; University of Denver (B.A. in history and economics), 1978; attended Creighton University and the American Academy of Dramatic Arts. Married Dottie Glenn, June 13, 1992. Rancher. Former real estate developer.

**Member:** Cattlemen's Beef Board; Independent Cattlemen of Nebraska (treasurer); Hyannis Area Schools (treasurer; board president); All Saints Catholic Church. **Former member:** Redmill Public School Board; Nebraska Arts Council; Sandhills Fire Protection District (treasurer); Windmill County

Tourism Committee; Hyannis Village Players; Nebraska Community Foundation; Nebraska Association of Community Theatres. Republican.

### DAN HUGHES

### DISTRICT 44

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**Elected to Nebraska Legislature:** 2014

**Committees:** General Affairs; Natural Resources; Urban Affairs; Building Maintenance (chairperson); Executive Board; Reference

**Biography:** Born June 5, 1956, in Imperial. Graduate of Venango High School, 1974; Northeastern Junior College, Sterling, Colo. (associate degree), 1976. Married Josie Hahn, Aug. 19, 1977; two children: Ashley and Tyler. Farmer, businessman. **Member:** Nebraska Wheat Growers Association; Nebraska Cattlemen; Nebraska Farm Bureau; Grant Rotary Club; Venango Lions Club; Ag Builders of Nebraska; Grant Methodist Church. **Former member:** Grant/Perkins County School Board, 1998-2010; Nebraska Wheat Board, 2006-14; Nebraska Ethanol Board, 1993-99; U.S. Wheat Associates (chairman, 2013-14). Republican.



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### SUE CRAWFORD

### DISTRICT 45

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**Elected to Nebraska Legislature:** 2012

**Committees:** Business and Labor; Health and Human Services; Urban Affairs (chairperson); Midwestern Higher Education Commission; State-Tribal Relations

**Biography:** Born Sue Steinhauser, Jan. 10, 1967, in Maryville, Mo. Graduate of Worth Co. RIII (High School), Grant City, Mo., 1985; Northeast Missouri State University (B.S. in political science), 1989; Indiana University (Ph.D. in political science), 1995. Married David Crawford, Jan. 20, 1990; two children: Nathan and Philip. Political science professor, Creighton University; faculty associate, Creighton Center for Health Services Research and Patient Safety. Former research analyst. **Member:** Bellevue East PTA; Bellevue Chamber of Commerce; Green Bellevue; board, Eastern Nebraska Community Action Partnership; New Life Baptist Church; daily reflection writer, Creighton University online ministry; editorial board, Nonprofit and Voluntary Sector Quarterly, American Political Science Association. **Former member:** U.S. Sen. Chuck Hagel's Health Care Reform Committee, 2006; Bellevue Central Elementary PTA; Mission Middle School PTA; key votes advisor, Project Vote Smart. Democrat.

### ADAM MORFELD

### DISTRICT 46

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**Elected to Nebraska Legislature:** 2014

**Committees:** Education; Judiciary

**Biography:** Born July 22, 1985, at Long Beach Naval Station. Graduate of Lincoln High School, Sioux Falls, S.D. (2003); University of Nebraska-Lincoln (B.A.), 2009; University of Nebraska College of Law (J.D.), 2012. Executive director and founder, Nebraskans for Civic Reform. **Member:** board, East Campus Community Organization; policy committee, Lincoln Young Professionals Group; Bootstraps and Beyond; Power a Village; Nebraska College of Law Young Alumni Council; Daily Nebraskan Publications Board; DIBS for Kids. **Honors and awards:** Leola Bullock Community Service Award, NAACP - Lincoln Branch; Milo Mumgaard Emerging Leader Award, Nebraska Appleseed. Democrat.



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### KEN SCHILZ

### DISTRICT 47

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**Elected to Nebraska Legislature:** 2008; re-elected 2012

**Committees:** Agriculture; General Affairs; Natural Resources (chairperson); Committee on Committees; Legislature's Planning

**Biography:** Born Jan. 17, 1969, in Ogallala. Graduate of Ogallala High School; University of Nebraska-Lincoln (B.S. in business administration). Married Debra Clark, May 23, 1992; two children: Jacob and Elizabeth. Cattle feeder, farmer. **Member:** Keith County Foundation Board; Nebraska Cattleman; Ogallala City Planning and Zoning Commission; Nebraska Water Policy Task Force; board of directors, Nebraska Water Users (president); Governor's Platte River Advisory Group; president, Keith County Area Development; St. Luke's Catholic Church. Republican.

### JOHN P. STINNER

### DISTRICT 48

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**Elected to Nebraska Legislature:** 2014

**Committees:** Appropriations; Building Maintenance (vice chairperson)

**Biography:** Born Oct. 11, 1951, in Pittsburgh, Pa. Graduate of Montour High School, 1969; University of Nebraska (B.S. in business administration) 1973 and (M.A. in economics) 1976. Married Rita, Nov. 25, 1972; two children: John, Jr. and Cecilia. Banking chairman and CEO, Valley Bank and Trust Co. Former CPA with Peat Marwick Mitchell & Co. (KPMG).

**Member:** trustee, Hospital Authority No. 1 of Scottsbluff County; board, Nebraska Bankers Association (chair); board, NBISCO; board, WNCC Foundation; board, Oregon Trail Community Foundation; Scottsbluff/Gering Rotary Club; Sons of The American Legion; Knights of Columbus; Christ the King Parish. **Former member:** board, Terry Carpenter Center; board, WyoBraska Museum; board, Zoological Association (president); board, YMCA of Scottsbluff (president); Gering School Board (president); Twin Cities Development (president); Gering Downtown Revitalization Committee; Elks Club; board, WNCC Cougar Booster Club. **Honors and awards:** Scottsbluff/Gering United Chamber of Commerce Visionary Superstar, 2000; full athletic scholarship, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, 1969-72; Eagle Scout, 1966; ODE, Economics Honorary. Republican.



## Nebraska State Senators, 2015 (Cont'd.)



### JOHN MURANTE

### DISTRICT 49

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**Elected to Nebraska Legislature:** 2012

**Committees:** Government, Military and Veterans Affairs (chairperson); Transportation and Telecommunications; Executive Board; Reference

**Biography:** Born Feb. 6, 1982, in Omaha. Graduate of V.J. and Angela Skutt Catholic High School, 2000; University of Nebraska-Lincoln (bachelor's degree), 2004. Married Melissa Ekberg, Dec. 22, 2007. CEO, Big Fred's Pizza. **Member:** St. Patrick's Catholic Church; finance committee, Knights of Columbus; Gretna Optimists. Republican.

## Members of Nebraska Territorial Legislature, 1855-1867\*

Name	Counties Represented	Council	House
Abbe, Joshua G.....	Otoe.....		1857 <sup>2</sup>
Abbott, Luther J.....	Washington.....		1867 <sup>3</sup>
Acton, Asa M.....	Richardson.....		1860 <sup>5</sup>
Adams, Truman H.....	Otoe.....		1859
Albertson, Isaac.....	Buffalo, Hall, Kearney, Lincoln, Merrick, Monroe, Platte.....	1865, 66 <sup>4</sup>	
Allen, Edwin A.....	Burt, Cuming, Washington.....	1864, 65, 66 <sup>4</sup>	1861
Allen, James A.....	Burt, Cuming, Douglas, Washington.....	1857 <sup>1,2</sup>	
Allgawahr, Lewis.....	Richardson.....		1861, 64
Anderson, D.M.....	Otoe.....		1867 <sup>3</sup>
Armstrong, George.....	Douglas.....		1857 <sup>1,2</sup>
Arnold, Anselum.....	Washington.....		1855 <sup>1</sup>
Arnold, Joseph.....	Cass.....		1866 <sup>4</sup>
Arnott, James M.....	Sarpy.....		1859
Austin, Benjamin.....	Cass.....		1866 <sup>4</sup>
Bain, Alexander.....	Otoe.....		1859
Baker, John P.....	Nemaha.....		1859, 60
Baker, William.....	Butler, Kearney, Lincoln, Saline.....		1867 <sup>3</sup>
Barnard, Edward H.....	Dodge.....		1861
Barnard, Richard C.....	Hall, Monroe.....		1859
Barnum, Evander W.....	Cass, Lancaster.....		1860, 61
Barnum, Guy Conger.....	Platte.....		1865, 66 <sup>4</sup>
Barrett, James.....	Cedar, Dakota, Dixon, L'Eau qui Court.....		1860
Bates, Barnabas.....	Cedar, Dakota, Dixon, L'Eau qui Court.....	1867 <sup>3</sup>	1859, 61
Bates, Rufus B.....	Burt, Cuming.....		1866 <sup>4</sup>
Baumer, William.....	Douglas.....	1867 <sup>3</sup>	
Bayne, Oliver P.....	Richardson.....	1865	
Beall, Enos.....	Hall, Monroe.....		1861
Beane, George.....	Nemaha.....		1860
Beck, William Burnie.....	Burt, Cuming, Washington.....		1855 <sup>2</sup> , 57 <sup>2</sup>
Becker, John P.....	Butler, Platte, Saunders, Seward.....		1864
Belden, David D.....	Douglas.....	1860, 61	1859
Benedict, Albert J.....	Johnson, Nemaha.....		1857 <sup>2</sup>
Bennet, Gideon.....	Pierce.....		1855 <sup>1</sup>
Bennet, Hiram P.....	Otoe, Pierce.....	1855 <sup>1</sup>	1858
Bennet, John B.....	Otoe.....	1860, 61, 65, 66 <sup>4</sup>	
Beuter, John.....	Otoe.....		1865
Biggs, John.....	Pawnee.....		1865
Birchfield, William P.....	Otoe.....		1861
Blakely, Nathan.....	Clay, Gage, Johnson.....		1861
Blanchard, Corrington.....	Dodge, Sarpy.....	1861, 65, 66 <sup>4</sup>	1864
Boulware, John.....	Otoe.....		1855 <sup>2</sup>
Bowen, John S.....	Washington.....		1859, 61
Bowen, Leavitt L.....	Douglas, Sarpy.....	1857 <sup>1,2</sup> , 58	1855 <sup>2</sup>
Boykin, Thomas J.....	Sarpy.....	1859	
Bradford, Allen A.....	Otoe.....	1855 <sup>2</sup> , 57 <sup>1,2</sup>	

\*Years indicate the session or sessions in which each legislator served.

## Members of Nebraska Territorial Legislature, 1855-1867 (Cont'd.)

Name	Counties Represented	Council	House
Bradford, Henry	Otoe, Pierce	1855 <sup>1,2</sup>	
Bramble, Downer Tenny	Cedar, Dakota, L'Eau qui Court		1858
Breman, M.W.	Richardson		1864
Briggs, Clinton	Douglas		1858
Brodhead, William H.	Otoe		1859
Brown, Charles H.	Douglas		1865, 66 <sup>4</sup>
Brown, Richard	Forney, Nemaha	1855 <sup>1,2</sup>	
Brush, Marcus	Clay, Lancaster, Saunders, Seward		1866 <sup>4</sup>
Buchanan, William	Otoe		1861
Buck, John Foster	Cass		1855 <sup>2</sup>
Burbank, J. Edward	Richardson		1859
Butler, David	Gage, Jones, Pawnee, Richardson	1864	1861
Butler, John R.	Pawnee		1866 <sup>4</sup> , 67 <sup>3</sup>
Byers, William N.	Douglas		1855 <sup>1</sup>
Cadman, John	Clay, Gage, Johnson, Lancaster		1864, 65, 66 <sup>4</sup>
Cahn, Aaron	Douglas		1861
Campbell, John C.	Otoe	1864	1855 <sup>2</sup> , 57 <sup>2</sup> , 59
Campbell, Marshall S.	Otoe		1866 <sup>4</sup>
Cardwell, James A.	Cass, Clay, Lancaster		1857 <sup>1</sup>
Cassell, John	Otoe		1858
Cavins, Adin G.	Otoe		1860
Chalfant, James M.	Cass, Lancaster		1861
Chambers, Samuel A.	Johnson, Nemaha		1855 <sup>2</sup> , 57 <sup>1,2</sup>
Chapin, William F.	Cass, Lancaster		1861, 66 <sup>4</sup> , 67 <sup>3</sup>
Chapman, John W.	Cass, Lancaster	1865, 66 <sup>4</sup>	1864
Chase, Amos S.	Cedar, Dixon, L'Eau qui Court		1860
Cheever, John H.	Cass, Dodge, Otoe	1858, 59	
Chilcott, George M.	Burt, Cuming		1857 <sup>1</sup>
Child, Edward P.	Douglas		1867 <sup>3</sup>
Clancy, William	Douglas, Washington	1857 <sup>1,2</sup>	1855 <sup>1,2</sup>
Clark, Elam L.	Lancaster, Saunders, Seward		1867 <sup>3</sup>
Clark, Elias Hicks	Washington		1866 <sup>4</sup>
Clark, Merrill H.	Douglas		1860, 61
Clark, Milton F.	Johnson, Nemaha		1858
Clark, Munson H.	Dodge	1855 <sup>1</sup>	
Clarke, Henry T.	Burt, Sarpy, Washington	1864	1861
Clayes, George	Douglas		1857 <sup>2</sup> , 58
Cleburne, William	Sarpy		1860
Closser, J.	Otoe		1861
Cody, Milo K.	Johnson		1865
Cole, Broad	Cass		1857 <sup>1</sup>
Cole, Dimitt	Cass		1867 <sup>3</sup>
Coleman, Thomas	Dakota		1860
Collier, David L.	Burt, Cuming		1858, 59
Collier, Thomas T.	Dakota	1859	

## Members of Nebraska Territorial Legislature, 1855-1867 (Cont'd.)

Name	Counties Represented	Council	House
Collins, Thomas J. ....	Richardson .....		1867 <sup>3</sup>
Connor, William .....	Washington .....		1857 <sup>1</sup>
Conoyer, Charles M. ....	Douglas .....		1865
Cooper, Paris G. ....	Washington .....		1857 <sup>2</sup> , 58
Cotterell, Matthew S. ....	Dodge .....		1860
Cowles, Charles H. ....	Otoe, Pierce .....	1855 <sup>1,2</sup>	1860
Cowles, Henry Clinton .....	Otoe .....		1857 <sup>1</sup>
Cowles, James Harvey .....	Pierce .....		1855 <sup>1</sup>
Crawford, George N. ....	Sarpy .....		1867 <sup>3</sup>
Crawford, William G. ....	Cedar, Dakota, L'Eau qui Court .....	1858	1857 <sup>2</sup>
Critchfield, Andrew J. ....	Douglas .....		1865
Cromwell, A.F. ....	Pawnee, Richardson .....		1857 <sup>1,2</sup>
Crothers, John .....	Nemaha .....		1861
Crouch, Mason .....	Otoe .....		1865
Crouse, Lorenzo .....	Richardson .....		1866 <sup>4</sup>
Crowe, George .....	Nemaha .....		1859, 61 65, 67 <sup>3</sup>
Croxton, John H. ....	Otoe .....		1861
Curran, Sterrett M. ....	Douglas .....		1867 <sup>3</sup>
Daily, Samuel G. ....	Johnson, Nemaha .....		1858
Daily, William .....	Nemaha .....		1867 <sup>3</sup>
Davidson, Fleming .....	Douglas .....		1855 <sup>1</sup>
Davidson, James .....	Sarpy .....		1857 <sup>2</sup> , 60
Davis, Alexander .....	Douglas .....		1855 <sup>2</sup>
Davis, Charles D. ....	Washington .....		1858
Davis, Josiah W. ....	Dakota .....		1864
Davis, Oscar F. ....	Douglas .....		1861
Davis, Thomas .....	Douglas .....		1855 <sup>1</sup>
Davis, William Rose .....	Cass, Lancaster .....		1858, 59, 60
Dean, Archibald C. ....	Pawnee, Richardson .....		1858
Decker, James H. ....	Otoe, Pierce .....		1855 <sup>1,2</sup> , 57 <sup>2</sup>
DePuy, Henry W. ....	Dodge, Platte, Washington .....		1858, 60
Deweese, James M. ....	Richardson .....		1867 <sup>3</sup>
Doane, George W. ....	Burt, Douglas, Sarpy, Washington .....	1858, 59, 67 <sup>3</sup>	
Donelan, Edmund Armstrong .....	Cass, Clay, Gage, Lancaster .....	1858, 59	1857 <sup>2</sup>
Doom, James E. ....	Cass, Dodge, Lancaster, Otoe, Saline, Saunders, Seward .....	1864, 67 <sup>3</sup>	
Doom, Robert G. ....	Cass .....		1858
Dorsey, Charles G. ....	Nemaha .....		1864
Dorsey, Jonathan E. ....	Dodge .....		1867 <sup>3</sup>
Downs, Hiram P. ....	Otoe .....		1857 <sup>1</sup> , 60
Doyle, Eli R. ....	Dodge .....		1855 <sup>1</sup>
Drexel, Frederick .....	Douglas .....		1866 <sup>4</sup>
Duerfeldt, Gustavus .....	Richardson .....		1867 <sup>3</sup>
Duggan, Daniel .....	Dakota .....		1867 <sup>3</sup>
Dundy, Elmer S. ....	Pawnee, Richardson .....	1858 <sup>5</sup> , 59, 60, 61	
Dunning, Oliver W. ....	Richardson .....		1865

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Name	Counties Represented	Council	House
Dyson, Joseph.....	Douglas .....		1857 <sup>1</sup>
Eikenberry, Samuel .....	Cass, Lancaster.....		1861
Eisley, Charles.....	Washington .....		1866 <sup>4</sup>
Elbert, Samuel H.....	Cass, Dodge, Otoe .....	1860	
Ellis, Joseph C.....	Otoe.....		1857 <sup>1</sup>
Ely, William H.....	Dodge.....		1865
Emry, Elias L.....	Douglas .....		1865
Evans, Frederick.....	Buffalo, Hall, Merrick, Platte.....		1865
Evans, John .....	Dodge .....	1855 <sup>2</sup>	
Evans, John .....	Washington.....		1864
Ewing, John S.....	Richardson.....		1861
Fairbrother, George W.....	Nemaha.....		1864
Faulkner, George.....	Richardson.....	1866 <sup>4</sup>	
Finney, John .....	Douglas .....		1857 <sup>1</sup>
Finney, William A.....	Forney, Nemaha.....		1855 <sup>1,2</sup> , 57 <sup>1</sup>
Fisher, James O.....	Cedar, Dakota, Dixon, L'Eau qui Court.....		1864
Fisher, Thomas R.....	Johnson, Nemaha .....	1864.....	1860
Fleming, William C.....	Pawnee, Richardson .....		1858
Folsom, Benjamin R.....	Burt .....	1855 <sup>1,2</sup>	
Fowler, Edward W.....	Pawnee .....		1860
Freeman, F.K.....	Buffalo, Hall, Kearney, Lincoln, Monroe, Platte .....	1867 <sup>3</sup>	
Frost, George W.....	Douglas .....		1867 <sup>3</sup>
Fuller, Abel B.....	Cass .....		1867 <sup>3</sup>
Furnas, Robert W.....	Nemaha .....	1857 <sup>1,2</sup> , 58, 59	
Gantt, Daniel.....	Douglas .....		1864
Gates, Amos.....	Sarpy.....		1857 <sup>2</sup> , 60 64, 65
Gibbs, Isaac L.....	Otoe.....		1857 <sup>1</sup>
Gibson, Thomas.....	Dodge.....		1855 <sup>2</sup>
Gilmore, James A.....	Otoe.....		1866 <sup>4</sup>
Gilmour, William.....	Cass, Lancaster.....		1860
Goodwill, Taylor G.....	Douglas .....	1855 <sup>1,2</sup>	
Goshen, Charles A.....	Clay, Gage, Johnson .....		1859
Goss, John Q.....	Burt, Sarpy, Washington .....	1860, 61	
Goyer, Alfred D.....	Douglas .....		1855 <sup>1</sup>
Graves, John G.....	Otoe.....		1867 <sup>3</sup>
Gray, A.W.....	Johnson .....		1867 <sup>3</sup>
Grebe, Henry.....	Douglas .....		1860, 64
Green, John.....	Nemaha.....		1866 <sup>4</sup>
Gregory, John S., Jr.....	Cass, Lancaster.....		1864
Griffey, Thomas L.....	Cedar, Dakota, Dixon, L'Eau qui Court .....	1865, 66 <sup>4</sup>	
Griffin, Joel T.....	Douglas .....		1860, 61
Griffing, George L.....	Pawnee .....		1864
Gwyer, William A.....	Douglas .....		1858
Hacker, Jonas .....	Nemaha.....		1860

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Name	Counties Represented	Council	House
Hagaman, Robert M.	Cedar, Dixon, L'Eau qui Court		1861
Hagood, John McF.	Cass		1855 <sup>2</sup> , 65
Hail, William B.	Otoe, Pierce		1855 <sup>1,2</sup> , 57 <sup>1,2</sup> , 58
Hall, George A.	Cedar, Dixon, L'Eau qui Court		1865
Hanscom, Andrew J.	Douglas		1855 <sup>1</sup> , 57 <sup>1</sup> , 59
Hardenburgh, E.H.	Lancaster		1867 <sup>3</sup>
Harsh, Levi	Douglas		1855 <sup>2</sup>
Hart, John Jay	Richardson		1866 <sup>4</sup>
Harvey, Augustus Ford	Otoe		1867 <sup>3</sup>
Haywood, Charles F.	Nemaha		1867 <sup>3</sup>
Heaton, Isaac E.	Dodge		1864
Hedde, Frederick A.P.	Buffalo, Hall, Kearney, Lincoln, Monroe		1860, 64
Hedges, Rochester	Otoe		1865
Heffernan, John	Dakota		1865
Hicklin, William M.	Otoe		1867 <sup>3</sup>
Hinsdale, George A.	Dakota		1859
Hitchcock, Horace M.	Washington		1865
Hoback, Robert D.	Cass, Lancaster		1864
Hobbs, Lorenzo	Burt, Cuming		1864
Hoile, Joseph T.	Richardson		1867 <sup>3</sup>
Holladay, Andrew S.	Nemaha	1865, 66 <sup>4</sup>	1861
Holloway, Charles T.	Douglas, Sarpy		1857 <sup>1,2</sup>
Hoover, James T.A.	Cass		1865
Hoover, Jerome	Nemaha, Richardson		1855 <sup>2</sup>
Hyde, Judson R.	Burt		1860
Imlay, William	Lancaster, Saunders, Seward		1865
Jackson, Alfred H.	Cedar, Dakota, Dixon, L'Eau qui Court		1864
Johnson, Eugene H.	Richardson		1865
Johnson, Harrison	Douglas		1857 <sup>1</sup> , 59
Johnston, David M.	Richardson		1855 <sup>1</sup>
Jones, Alfred D.	Douglas	1855 <sup>1,2</sup>	1861
Jones, Edward C.	Cedar, Dakota, L'Eau qui Court		1857 <sup>1,2</sup>
Jones, Lewis E.	Cedar, Dixon, L'Eau qui Court		1866 <sup>4</sup>
Keeling, William Wesley	Nemaha		1859
Kelley, John E.	Platte		1867 <sup>3</sup>
Kempton, William	Cass		1855 <sup>1</sup>
Kennedy, Ben. Eli Barnet	Douglas	1865, 66 <sup>4</sup>	1864
Kennedy, George F.	Douglas		1859
Kimball, Richard	Douglas		1857 <sup>1</sup>
King, Wingate	Pawnee, Richardson		1857 <sup>2</sup>
Kirk, Abel Downing	Richardson		1855 <sup>2</sup>
Kirkpatrick, Samuel M.	Cass, Dodge, Otoe	1855 <sup>2</sup> , 57 <sup>1,2</sup> , 61	1865
Kline, Lewis M.	Washington		1858
Laird, William	Cass		1855 <sup>2</sup>
Lake, George B.	Douglas		1859, 64, 66 <sup>4</sup>

## Members of Nebraska Territorial Legislature, 1855-1867 (Cont'd.)

Name	Counties Represented	Council	House
Langdon, Martin.....	Sarpy.....		1865
Larimer, William, Jr.....	Douglas.....		1855 <sup>2</sup>
Larsh, Napoleon B.....	Otoe.....		1861
Lash, Joseph.....	Nemaha.....		1864
Latham, John M.....	Cass.....		1855 <sup>1</sup>
Latta, William S.....	Cass, Lancaster.....		1859
Lawrence, Isaac C.....	Nemaha.....		1857 <sup>1</sup>
Leaming, Silas T.....	Burt.....		1861
Lee, George F.....	Otoe.....		1858
Lefler, North P.....	Sarpy.....		1866 <sup>4</sup>
Leighton, A. C.....	Butler, Kearney, Lincoln, Saline.....		1865
Lincoln, Justus Casner.....	Richardson.....		1864
Link, Harvey.....	Douglas.....		1867 <sup>3</sup>
Little, William A.....	Douglas.....	1859, 60, 61, 64	
Lockwood, William F.....	Dakota.....		1860
Lowe, Samuel A.....	Douglas.....		1860
Maddox, Wilson Meeks.....	Pierce.....		1855 <sup>1</sup>
Majors, Thomas Jefferson.....	Nemaha.....	1867 <sup>3</sup>	
Malcolm, A.B.....	Douglas.....		1859
Marquett, Turner Mastin.....	Cass, Clay, Gage, Lancaster.....	1860, 61, 64	1857 <sup>2</sup> , 58, 59
Mason, Oliver P.....	Otoe.....	1864, 65, 66 <sup>4</sup>	1858
Mathias, Alfred.....	Otoe.....		1860
Maxon, John H.....	Otoe.....		1866 <sup>4</sup>
Maxwell, Samuel.....	Cass, Lancaster.....		1859, 65, 66 <sup>4</sup>
McCandlish, William N.....	Washington.....		1865
McCartney, Allen T.....	Otoe.....		1864
McCasland, Jeremiah N.....	Clay, Gage, Johnson, Jones, Pawnee.....	1865, 66 <sup>4</sup>	1859
McCormick, John.....	Douglas.....	1864	
McDonald, Charles.....	Pawnee, Richardson.....	1857 <sup>1,2</sup> , 58 <sup>5</sup>	1855 <sup>2</sup>
McLaughlin, Daniel.....	Cedar, Dakota, Dixon, L'Eau qui Court.....		1861
McLennan, William.....	Otoe.....		1864
McPherson, John.....	Johnson, Nemaha.....	1861	
Mead, Giles.....	Washington.....		1860
Megeath, James Gabriel.....	Douglas.....		1866 <sup>4</sup>
Millard, Ezra T.....	Douglas.....		1860
Miller, George L.....	Douglas.....	1857 <sup>1,2</sup> , 58, 59	1855 <sup>2</sup>
Miller, Jason G.....	Cass, Lancaster, Saline, Seward.....	1865, 66 <sup>4</sup>	
Minick, John S.....	Johnson, Nemaha.....		1857 <sup>2</sup>
Mitchell, James C.....	Washington.....	1855 <sup>1,2</sup>	
Moore, William E.....	Douglas.....	1858.....	1855 <sup>2</sup> , 57 <sup>1</sup>
Morton, J. Sterling.....	Otoe.....		1855 <sup>2</sup> , 57 <sup>2</sup>
Mullen, Louden.....	Cass, Lancaster.....		1860
Murphy, Michael.....	Douglas.....		1857 <sup>1,2</sup>
Myers, Nathan.....	Richardson.....		1859
Neligh, John D.....	Burt, Cuming, Washington.....	1867 <sup>3</sup>	1865
Newman, Henry A.....	Otoe.....		1864

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Name	Counties Represented	Council	House
Noel, Jesse .....	Johnson, Nemaha .....		1858, 59
Norwood, Charles C. ....	Sarpy .....		1858
Nuckolls, Houston .....	Richardson .....		1859
Nuckolls, Lafayette .....	Cass .....	1855 <sup>1</sup>	
Nuckolls, Stephen F. ....	Otoe .....		1859
O'Connor, Cornelius .....	Dakota .....		1861, 64, 66 <sup>4</sup>
Paddock, Joseph Williamson .....	Douglas .....		1857 <sup>2</sup> , 66 <sup>4</sup>
Parchen, William .....	Richardson .....		1866 <sup>4</sup>
Pardee, Henry C. ....	Cass, Lancaster .....		1864
Parker, Hiram W. ....	Clay, Gage, Johnson .....		1860
Parmelee, Daniel S. ....	Douglas .....		1867 <sup>3</sup>
Perkins, Alonzo .....	Washington .....		1857 <sup>2,5</sup>
Petit, Samuel .....	Nemaha .....		1865
Phillips, William B. ....	Nemaha .....		1865, 66 <sup>4</sup>
Pickard, James W. ....	Douglas .....		1865
Pollock, William A. ....	Nemaha .....		1866 <sup>4</sup>
Poppleton, Andrew J. ....	Douglas .....		1855 <sup>1</sup> , 57 <sup>2</sup>
Porter, Henry B. ....	Richardson .....		1860, 61
Porter, John Redmond .....	Douglas .....	1858, 59, 64, 65, 66 <sup>4</sup>	
Porter, Nathan S. ....	Cedar, Dixon, L'Eau qui Court .....		1864, 65
Presson, William A. ....	Richardson .....	1867 <sup>3</sup>	
Puett, Alfred W. ....	Dakota .....	1857 <sup>1,2</sup>	
Purple, Hascall C. ....	Burt .....		1855 <sup>1</sup>
Ramsey, James D. ....	Pawnee, Richardson .....		1858, 66 <sup>4</sup>
Rankin, Benjamin P. ....	Sarpy .....		1858
Reck, John .....	Butler, Calhoun, Green, Platte .....		1859, 61
Reddick, John Irwin .....	Douglas .....		1860
Reed, William H. ....	Cass, Lancaster .....		1860
Reed, William S. ....	Nemaha .....		1861
Reeves, Mills S. ....	Otoe .....	1857 <sup>1,2</sup> , 58, 59, 67 <sup>3</sup>	
Renner, Frederick .....	Otoe .....		1864
Reynolds, Herman Myer .....	Gage, Jones .....		1865
Reynolds, Milton W. ....	Otoe .....		1859, 61
Rice, Lorenzo .....	Nemaha .....		1864
Richardson, J.W. ....	Dodge .....		1855 <sup>1</sup>
Richardson, Origen D. ....	Douglas .....	1855 <sup>1,2</sup>	
Riden, Mastin W. ....	Otoe .....		1855 <sup>2</sup>
Ritchie, John .....	Douglas .....		1864
Robb, Daniel B. ....	Otoe .....		1857 <sup>2</sup>
Robertson, John B. ....	Burt .....		1855 <sup>1</sup>
Robertson, Theodore H. ....	Sarpy .....		1866 <sup>4</sup>
Robinson, James .....	Johnson .....		1866 <sup>4</sup>
Roeder, Augustus .....	Douglas .....		1858
Rogers, Eliphus Hibbard .....	Dodge, Sarpy .....	1867 <sup>3</sup>	1859
Rogers, Pleasant M. ....	Pawnee, Richardson .....		1857 <sup>2</sup>
Rogers, Samuel E. ....	Douglas .....	1855 <sup>1,2</sup> , 57 <sup>1,2</sup>	
Rohwer, Hans J. ....	Washington .....		1864
Rolf, DeForest P. ....	Otoe .....		1867 <sup>3</sup>

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Name	Counties Represented	Council	House
Rose, Amazial M. ....	Cass, Otoe.....		1855 <sup>2</sup>
Ross, Hugh M. ....	Gage, Jones.....		1866 <sup>4</sup> , 67 <sup>3</sup>
Rowles, William D. ....	Sarpy.....		1861
Safford, Jacob .....	Cass, Dodge, Otoe .....	1857 <sup>1,2</sup>	
Salisbury, Alonzo F.....	Douglas .....	1857 <sup>1,2</sup>	1855 <sup>2</sup>
Sapp, William F. ....	Douglas .....	1861	
Scott, George E. ....	Washington.....	1858, 59	
Seeley, Jonas .....	Douglas .....		1857 <sup>1</sup>
Seeley, Silas E. ....	Dodge, Platte.....		1857 <sup>1</sup>
Seymour, Charles W. ....	Otoe.....		1864
Seymour, James H. ....	Douglas .....		1858, 61
Sharp, Joseph L. ....	Richardson.....	1855 <sup>1,2</sup>	
Sharp, Neal Johnson.....	Richardson.....		1857 <sup>1</sup>
Sheldon, Lawson .....	Cass, Clay, Gage, Lancaster.....	1867 <sup>3</sup>	1857 <sup>2</sup>
Shields, Matthew J. ....	Sarpy.....		1858, 59
Sibley, Samuel P.....	Otoe.....		1860
Sim, Francis.....	Otoe.....		1864
Singleton, John A. ....	Pawnee, Richardson .....		1855 <sup>1</sup> , 57 <sup>1</sup>
Slaughter, William M. ....	Cass.....		1857 <sup>1</sup>
Smith, Andrew J.....	Washington.....		1855 <sup>1</sup>
Smith, James G. ....	Dodge.....		1866 <sup>4</sup>
Smith, Joel S. ....	Douglas .....		1864
Sollenberger, Jacob.....	Otoe.....		1860
Steele, Robert W. ....	Douglas .....		1858
Steinberger, John A. ....	Douglas .....		1857 <sup>1,2</sup> , 58
Stephenson, John N. ....	Cass, Lancaster.....		1859
Stewart, Alexander S. ....	Clay, Gage, Johnson, Jones, Pawnee ....	1867 <sup>3</sup>	
Stewart, James.....	Douglas .....		1858
Stewart, James A. ....	Douglas .....		1857 <sup>2</sup>
Stewart, James S. ....	Washington.....		1857 <sup>1,2</sup> , 59
Stout, Elisha P. ....	Washington.....		1857 <sup>1</sup>
Strickland, Silas A. ....	Douglas, Sarpy .....	1860	1857 <sup>1,2</sup> , 59
Stuefer, Martin .....	Burt, Cuming.....		1867 <sup>3</sup>
Sullivan, Potter C. ....	Washington.....		1855 <sup>2</sup> , 57 <sup>2,5</sup>
Taffe, John.....	Cedar, Dakota, Dixon, L'Eau qui Court.....	1860, 61	1858, 59
Taggart, John M. ....	Dodge, Platte.....		1857 <sup>2</sup>
Taylor, John W. ....	Nemaha.....		1865, 66 <sup>4</sup>
Taylor, William H. ....	Otoe.....	1858, 59, 60, 61	
Thayer, John M. ....	Douglas .....	1860	
Thompson, Joseph D.N. ....	Cass.....		1855 <sup>1</sup>
Thorn, James.....	Otoe.....		1866 <sup>4</sup>
Thrall, William Rockwell.....	Douglas .....		1857 <sup>2</sup>
Tipton, Thomas W. ....	Johnson, Nemaha .....	1860	
Tisdell, Freeman A. ....	Richardson.....		1860, 65
Todd, Levi G. ....	Cass, Lancaster.....		1864
Trumble, Abner W. ....	Sarpy.....		1867 <sup>3</sup>
Tufts, James.....	Cedar, Dixon, L'Eau qui Court.....		1859
Tuxbury, Albert .....	Otoe.....		1866 <sup>4</sup>

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Name	Counties Represented	Council	House
Unthank, John A. ....	Washington.....	1860, 61	
Van Horn, Joseph.....	Cass, Clay, Gage, Lancaster.....		1857 <sup>2</sup>
Waldter, Louis.....	Nemaha.....		1867 <sup>3</sup>
Wallich, John.....	Buffalo, Hall, Merrick, Platte.....		1866 <sup>4</sup> , 67 <sup>3</sup>
Walther, Charles F. ....	Richardson.....		1865
Wardell, William W.....	Otoe.....	1867 <sup>3</sup>	
Warrick, Amasa S. ....	Washington.....		1867 <sup>3</sup>
Wasson, James B.....	Otoe.....		1858
Wattles, Stephen H.....	Sarpy.....		1858, 61
Watts, Samuel F.....	Dakota.....		1857 <sup>1</sup>
Welch, Frank.....	Burt.....	1864	
West, George P. ....	Otoe.....		1865
Whalen, John.....	Sarpy.....		1864
Whaley, Charles H.....	Butler, Calhoun, Green, Platte.....		1860
White, James D. ....	Otoe.....		1857 <sup>1</sup>
Whitted, Robert B.....	Douglas.....		1855 <sup>1</sup>
Wilbur, Russel H. ....	Cedar, Dakota, Dixon, L'Eau qui Court.....		1866 <sup>4</sup>
Wiles, Isaac.....	Cass, Lancaster.....		1861, 67 <sup>3</sup>
Wolph, Henry C. ....	Cass.....		1857 <sup>1</sup>
Wood, Joel Martin.....	Forney.....		1855 <sup>1</sup>
Young, William J.....	Cass.....		1858

<sup>1</sup>First session that year.

<sup>2</sup>Second session that year.

<sup>3</sup>Member of Territorial Legislature that met Jan. 10, 1867. See explanation on Page 276.

<sup>4</sup>Member of Territorial Legislature that met Jan. 4, 1866. See explanation on Page 276.

<sup>5</sup>Seats contested: Asa M. Acton was unseated Dec. 29, 1860; Charles McDonald resigned in 1858 after his seat was contested by Elmer S. Dundy; Potter C. Sullivan was unseated Dec. 21, 1857, and Alonzo Perkins was seated the same day.

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Name	Residence	Senate	House
Abbott, N.C.	Lincoln		1881-83
Abbott, Othman A.	Grand Island	1872 <sup>6</sup> -73	
Abbott, Rufus	Pawnee City	1875-77	
Abel, Anton	Plum Creek		1883-85
Abrahamson, Otto	Axtell		1887-91
Acton, Frank W.	Beatrice		1921-23
Adams, George M.	Crawford	1917-19	1907-09
Adams, John, Jr. <sup>11</sup>	Omaha		1935 <sup>3</sup> , 35 <sup>6</sup> -37
Adams, John M.	Sidney		1885-87
Adams, Joseph G.	Omaha		1933-35
Adams, M.E.	Scottsbluff		1933-35
Adams, Maxwell W.	Dannebrog		1925-31
Agee, Alfred W.	Aurora		1887-89
Ahmanson, John	Douglas County		1871-73
Aikin, Relzy M.	Nelson		1885-89
Ainlay, Benjamin J.	Belgrade	1919-21	1915-19
Akers, William R.	Collins	1895-97	
Albert, Henry	Wilber		1891-93
Albert, I.L.	Columbus	1911-13, 15-19	
Alden, J.M.	Pierce	1903-05	1891-93
Alderman, Frank B.	West Point		1897-99
Alderson, T.E.	Creston		1907-09
Aldrich, Chester H.	David City	1907-09	
Alexander, C.L.	Hastings	1899-1901	
Alexander, Thomas J.	Johnson		1887-89
Allan, James	Omaha		1895-97, 1919-21, 23-25
Allen, Charles E.	Cozad	1923-25, 31-33, 35-37	
Allen, Charles F.	Beatrice		1913-15, 19-21
Allen, Cyrus	Summit		1877-79
Allen, E.N.	Arapahoe	1899-1903	
Allen, H.A.	Atkinson		1909-13
Allyn, A.E.	Hastings		1929-31
Ambrose, George W.	Omaha	1877-79	
Ames, George W.	Omaha		1893-95
Ames, W.R.	Swift		1891-93
Amsbery, J.A.	Mason City		1929-31
Amspoker, Ross	Springview	1927-31	1923-25
Anderson, Crist	Bristow	1931-35	1913-19
Anderson, Anton Marinus	Oak		1927-29, 31-35
Anderson, C.J.	Omaha		1905-07
Anderson, Charles	Marquette		1903-07
Anderson, Charles B.	Crete, Lincoln	1913-15, 21-25	
Anderson, Chris	Norman		1911-15
Anderson, D.M.	Otoe County		1866 <sup>1,2</sup> -69
Anderson, Emil	Minden		1925-27, 31-35
Anderson, Frank	Aurora		1919-23
Anderson, Frank E.	Wausa		1903-05, 19-23

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Name	Residence	Senate	House
Anderson, George W.	Havelock		1899-01
Anderson, Nels J.	Omaha		1913-15
Anderson, Nils.	Shickley		1882 <sup>6</sup> -83, 99 <sup>71</sup>
Anderson, Oscar T.	Holdrege		1915-19
Anderson, Victor	Minden		1901-05
Anderson, Victor	Stromsburg	1933-35	
Anderson, W.J.	David City		1919-21
Anderson, Walter L.	Lincoln		1921-23
Andres, Philip	Omaha		1887-89
Andrews, Henry C.	Kearney		1887-89
Andrews, J.A.	Eustis		1901-03
Andrews, Vernon D.	College View		1929-31
Ankeny, H.T.	Laurel		1897-99
Anness, Wilber W.	Dunbar		1911-13
Anyan, William	Beatrice		1876 <sup>6</sup> -79
Arends, J.H.	Syracuse	1899-1903	
Armitage, H.G.	Kenesaw		1883-85
Armstrong, F.	Elm Creek		1909-11
Armstrong, John W.	South Auburn		1899-1903, 07-09, 21-23
Arnold, A.J.	Columbus		1873-75
Arnold, E.W.	Grand Island	1879-81	
Arnold, Edward	Odell		1891-93
Arnold, Edward W.	Platte County		1866 <sup>1</sup> -67
Ashburn, D.P.	Gibbon		1873 <sup>7d</sup> -75
Ashby, Thomas F.	Franklin		1883-85
Ashby, William	Fairfield		1895-97
Ashton, F.W.	Grand Island	1907-09	
Ashton, Harry L.	Seward		1929 <sup>5</sup>
Ashton, T.	Otoe County	1869-71	
Aten, John	Green Island	1877-79	
Atwood, Silas S.	Beaver Crossing, Milford		1903-07
Aurand, L.H.	Chapman		1925-31
Auten, James	Albion		1917-19, 23-27
Auxier, Edward Everett	Verdon		1923-27
Axtell, James A.	Fairbury	1931-33	1917-23
Axtell, Thomas	North Platte		1923-29
Ayer, Simon C.	Gibbon		1881-83
Ayers, Oliver C.	Humboldt		1913-15
Babcock, A.H.	Pawnee City		1873-75
Babcock, Charles F.	McCook		1883-85
Babcock, N.C.	Exeter		1881-83
Babcock, Oscar	North Loup		1879-81
Babcock, Walter E.	Cambridge		1887-89
Babcock, William N.	Omaha	1893-95	
Bacon, Frank	Gothenburg		1895-97
Bacon, George E.	Overton, Doss		1903-07
Bailey, E. Preston	Carleton		1923-31, 35-37

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Name	Residence	Senate	House
Bailey, J.B.	Herman		1881-83
Bailey, Orestus G.	Bloomington		1887-91
Bailey, Stephen M.	Fairbury		1885-87
Bailey, Willard F.	Kearney		1911-13
Baird, Cyrus N.	Lincoln	1877-79	
Baird, Harlon	Dakota County	1867-69	1887-89
Baird, J.P.	Ord		1907-09
Baker, Alexander H.	Omaha		1875-79
Baker, Alva Avery	Winnetoon		1919-21
Baker, B.S.	Fairbury		1889-91
Baker, D.W.	Benedict		1907-13
Baker, Jason W.	Seneca		1913-15
Baker, Sidney	Keene	1881-83	1879-81
Baker, William	Butler, Kearney, Lincoln, Saline counties		1867 <sup>2</sup> -69
Balder, B.F.	Ashland		1933-35
Baldrige, Howard H.	Omaha	1901-03	
Baldrige, H. Malcolm	Omaha		1923-25
Baldwin, A.S.	Plum Creek		1881-83
Baldwin, C.W.	Elkhorn		1897 <sup>7</sup> -99
Ball, F.W.	Crete		1923-25
Ballard, John R.	Fairmont		1887-91
Ballentine, D.C.	Stockville	1881 <sup>7a</sup> -83	
Baltzley, O.W.	Cedar, Dixon, L'Eau qui Court counties, Crete		1867-69, 73-75
Banks, Andrew H.	Wausa		1913-15
Banks, E.M.	Alliance		1925-27
Banning, W.B.	Union	1909-13, 23-31, 33-35	
Barbour, W.M.	Scottsbluff		1919-31
Barclay, Andrew D.	Bookwalter		1909-13
Barclay, Fred H.	Pawnee City		1933-35
Barker, A.H.	Dakota County		1866 <sup>1</sup> -67
Barker, John A.	Franklin		1915-17
Barker, L.D.	Pleasant Hill	1883-85	
Barker, Samuel	Plattsmouth		1877-79
Barnard, E.H.	Dodge County		1869 <sup>8</sup>
Barnard, Samuel	Table Rock		1879-81
Barnes, Elmer C.	Doughboy		1933-37
Barnes, John W.	Plattsmouth		1873-75 <sup>9</sup>
Barnes, S.C.	Omaha		1905-09
Barnett, Ferdinand L.	Omaha		1927-29
Barney, Reuben E.	Kearney		1885-87
Barnum, E.W.	Factoryville	1873-75	
Barnum, Guy C.	Buffalo, Hall, Kearney, Lincoln, Merrick, Platte counties		1869-71
Barnum, Guy C., Jr.	Columbus		1877-79
Barr, John D.	Liberty	1919-21, 23-25	

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Name	Residence	Senate	House
Barrett, George W.	Shelton		1907-11
Barrett, Jacob H.	Wisner		1887-89
Barrett, John C.	South Omaha		1915-17
Barrows, Benjamin H.	Omaha		1875 <sup>9</sup>
Barry, Patrick H.	Greeley Center		1893-97
Bartels, H.C.	Carroll	1911-15	
Bartholomew, H.C.	Creighton		1891-93
Bartlett, E.M.	Omaha		1881-83
Bartlett, W.R.	Omaha		1873-75
Bartling, Henry H.	Nebraska City	1911-15	
Barton, Guy C.	North Platte	1873-77	
Barton, Lewis	Minden		1883-85
Barton, Wallace R.	Tecumseh	1899-1901	
Bartoo, A.E.	Arcadia		1903-07
Bartos, F.W.	Wilber	1909-13	
Bassett, Samuel C.	Gibbon		1885-87, 1911-13
Bates, M.A.	Plattsmouth		1909-11
Bates, William L.	Lodgepole		1915-19
Batty, R.A.	Hastings		1879-81
Bauer, William E.	David City	1895-97	
Baumer, John	Omaha		1875-77
Beal, Charles W.	Broken Bow	1897-99, 1915-19	1893-95
Beal, Eugene	Ogallala		1917-19
Beall, Charles H.	Fairfield	1901-03	
Beall, Enos	Buffalo, Hall, Merrick counties		1871-73
Beals, Seth W.	Humboldt		1875 <sup>9</sup>
Beans, James M.	Lexington		1921-23
Bear, Alexander	Norfolk	1875-77	1877-79
Beardsley, J.M.	Weeping Water		1877-79
Beardsley, S.W.	Cheney	1889-91	
Beatty, W.I.	Foster		1935-37
Becher, Dierk A.	Columbus, Oldenbusch	1901-05	
Becher, Gus G.	Columbus		1895-97
Beck, Henry S.	Pierce		1895-97
Beck, William B.	Tekamah	1879-81, 91-93	
Becker, Carl H.	Lincoln		1925-27
Beckman, Edith	Omaha		1935 <sup>6</sup> -37
Beckman, Henry	Germantown		1889-91
Beckman, Herman F.	Utica		1921-23
Bedford, Jeff W.	Omaha	1915-17	
Bedford, William H.	Meek		1905-07
Bee, E.R.	Cambridge		1895-97
Beebe, Harvey C.	Osceola	1921-23	
Beebe, Henry	Dodge County		1867-69
Beekly, William H.	Dorchester		1901-03
Beethe, C.H.	Elk Creek		1901-03
Beghtol, Peter F.	Bennet	1903-07	

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Name	Residence	Senate	House
Begole, B.H.	Beatrice		1909-11
Behrens, Henry	Beemer	1923-29, 31-33	1917-23
Beisner, Conrad	Hebron		1899-1903
Belden, H.S.	Dawson		1903-05
Belden, Nafew S.	North Bend		1877-79
Belding, Frank E.	Omaha		1923-25
Bell, T.R.	Cass County		1866 <sup>1</sup> -67
Bender, Jacob	Sutton		1925-27
Bender, John W.	Humphrey		1905-07
Benedict, E.	Omaha		1895-97
Benjamin, G.W.	Trenton		1899 <sup>7</sup>
Bennet, John B.	Otoe County		1867 <sup>6</sup> -69
Bennett, J.H.	Omaha	1917-19	
Bennett, Lewis M.	Omaha		1879-81
Bentley, William G.	Ashland		1887-89
Bentzen, Otto	Naper		1935-37
Berka, Louis	Omaha	1921-23	1919-21
Berkley, Hugh	Ohioa		1883-85
Berlet, Peter	Auburn, Johnson	1901-03	1899-1901
Berlin, R.S.	Omaha		1889-91
Bernard, James J.	Lewiston, Pawnee City	1895-99	
Berry, E.M.	Mission Creek		1889-91
Bertrand, George E.	Omaha		1891-93
Besse, C.R.	Red Cloud	1909-11	1907-09
Best, F.C.	Omaha		1907-09
Bethea, William W.	Ewing		1919-23
Beushausen, Charles F.	Loup City		1923-25, 33 <sup>6</sup> -35
Beverly, James A.	Omaha		1899-1901
Bick, Henry	Seward		1881-83, 87-89
Bickley, William M.	Madison		1885-87
Bierbower, V.	Sidney		1883-85
Biermann, August H.	Wisner		1935-36 <sup>4</sup>
Billings, O.P.	Norden		1897-99
Binfield, E.E.	Prosser		1929-34 <sup>4</sup>
Birdsall, George A.	Alexandria		1919-21
Birkhauser, Peter W.	Falls City	1877-81	
Bisbee, N.B.	Chambers		1889-91
Bishop, John S.	Lincoln		1929-33, 35-37
Bivens, George W.	Hastings		1931-33
Black, Cyrus	Hickman		1909-11, 19-21
Black, Joseph	Kearney	1895-97	
Blackman, S.C.	Tilden		1931-33
Blackmore, Thomas	Omaha		1877-79
Blaco, Richard	Blair		1885-87
Blaine, William H.	Geneva		1885-87
Blake, Palmer	Tecumseh		1897-1901
Blakely, Nathan	Gage, Jefferson, Jones counties		1866 <sup>1</sup> -67, 69 <sup>8</sup>
Blanchard, George F.	Freemont	1877-79	

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Name	Residence	Senate	House
Blausler, C.L.E.	Diller		1915-17
Blessing, Alvin	Ord	1935 <sup>5</sup>	
Bliss, Clarence G.	Elm Creek	1921-27	
Blodgett, Charles	Howard		1873-75
Blystone, W.J.	Lincoln		1907-11
Bobbitt, T.N.	Sunlight		1877-79
Bock, Henry	David City		1921-27, 33-37
Bodinson, C.F.	Kearney	1909-13	
Boelts, John G.	Central City, St. Libory	1933-35	1909-11, 31-33
Boggs, L.B.	Beatrice		1877-79
Bohacek, William	Wilber		1889-91
Boland, Peter G.H.	Omaha		1909-13
Bolen, J.M.	Surprise, Ulysses		1905-09
Bollen, Floyd L.	Crofton		1913-15
Bolln, Henry	Omaha		1881-83
Bomgardner, D.E.	Orleans	1883-85	
Bonesteel, H.E.	Niobrara	1887-89	
Bonham, Luther	Fairbury		1911-13
Booth, James	Scribner		1885-87
Bortis, C.W.	Glenville		1889-91
Bostrom, Nels J.	Concord		1933-35
Botts, S.J.	Ord		1909-11
Boulier, Alex	Cedar Bluffs		1899-1903
Bowen, A.	Nebraska City	1873-75	
Bower, Samuel	St. Paul		1897-1901
Bowman, A.H.	Lawrence		1909-11
Bowman, David H.	Omaha		1921-23
Bowman, George G.	Columbus		1887-89
Bowman, Harry E. <sup>11</sup>	Lawrence	1905-07	
Bowman, John E.	Loup City	1929-33	
Bowring, Arthur	Merriman	1930 <sup>6</sup> -33	1927-30 <sup>5</sup>
Boyd, James	Nelson		1901-03
Boyd, James E.	Buffalo, Hall, Merrick, Platte counties		1866 <sup>1</sup> -67
Boyd, R.W.	Aurora	1909-11	
Bradley, A.H.	North Platte		1879-81
Bradstreet, Thomas E.	Grand Island		1919-21
Bradstreet, W.D.	Spencer		1933-35
Brady, Frank J. <sup>11</sup>	Atkinson	1935-37	
Brady, James T.	Albion	1903-05	
Brady, John	Kearney		1895-97
Brain, John Bell	Omaha		1913-15
Brandt, Henry F. <sup>11</sup>	Beatrice		1935-37
Brandt, William, Jr.	Malcolm	1885-87	
Brant, W.H.	Springview		1915-17
Braucht, H.G.	Clarkson		1889-91
Brazda, Rudolph	West Point	1929-31	
Brecht, Charles	Falls City		1911-13
Bredeson, Ole	Surprise		1891-93

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Name	Residence	Senate	House
Breen, Joseph J.	South Omaha		1891-93
Bremer, Carl	Aurora		1931-33, 35-37
Bren, Joseph	Omaha	1933-35	
Brennan, J.C.	Omaha		1891-93
Bresee, Charles P.	Rushville	1905-07	
Bressler, John T.	Wayne	1895-97	
Brewer, Wells	Buffalo, Hall, Merrick counties		1869-71
Brewster, Sardius C.	Douglas County		1869-71
Briggs, A.C.	Dodge County		1871-73
Briggs, Thomas L.	Antioch		1919-21
Brink, A.P.	Cedar Rapids		1889-91
Britton, James	Wayne		1883-85
Broatch, W.J.	Omaha		1881-83
Brockman, John M.	Stella		1893-97
Brodecky, Emil E. <sup>11</sup>	Howells	1933-37	
Broderick, J.E.	Fairfield		1909-11
Broderick, Monmouth	Fairfield		1899-1903
Brokaw, W.A.	Ruby		1895-97
Brookley, Will	Edgar	1913-17	
Brooks, James	Stanton	1919-21	
Broome, Frank M.	Alliance, Antioch		1915-17, 23-25
Brott, Lewis	Sextorp		1913-15
Brown, C.M.	Cambridge		1901-03
Brown, Charles H.	Omaha	1877-81, 83-85	
Brown, David	Nebraska City	1871 <sup>5</sup>	1901 <sup>4</sup>
Brown, David J.	Seward		1883-85, 93-95
Brown, E.A.	Loup City		1907-11
Brown, E.E.	Lincoln	1879-81, 83-85	
Brown, Edward P.	Davey, Lincoln	1909-13	1907-09
Brown, Elmer W.	Lincoln		1907-11
Brown, Ezra	Harvard	1883-87	
Brown, Frank W.	Arlington		1933-37
Brown, Fred A.	Holdrege	1921-23	
Brown, George W.	Dayton		1881-83
Brown, Guy A.	Geneva		1929-31
Brown, J. Marion	Fontanelle	1891-93	
Brown, James Arthur	Lincoln		1927-29, 35-37
Brown, John L.	Plattsmouth		1873-75 <sup>9</sup>
Brown, Milton H.	Gothenburg		1925-27
Brown, O.B.	Lyman		1929-31
Brown, O.F.	Richard	1883-85	
Brown, R.G.	Sutton	1887-89	
Brown, W.A.	Stanton		1923-25, 27-29
Brown, W.C.	Springview	1903-05	
Brown, William W.	Culbertson		1887-89
Brownell, R.C.	Morse Bluff		1895-97
Brownlee, R.D.	Burr Oak		1879-81
Bruce, G.C.	Hebron		1879-81

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Name	Residence	Senate	House
Brunner, Thomas C.	Omaha		1885-87
Bruno, Henry A.	Chapman		1877-79
Brunt, James A.	Fairbury	1933-35	
Brush, Marcus	Butler, Saunders, Seward counties		1869-71
Bruveleit, Paul	Stanton		1931-35
Bryant, A.M.	Wahoo	1877-79	
Buck, Ralph J.	Sutton		1929-31
Buck, S.H.	Berlin	1907-11	
Buckendorf, W.E.	Bassett		1929-33
Buckley, J.B.	Stromsburg		1907-09
Buckner, George R.	Waverly		1913-15
Buckworth, A.D.	North Platte	1885-87	
Buffington, John W.	Hamlet		1933-35 <sup>4</sup>
Buffington, Joseph R.	Liberty		1885-87
Buhrman, J.H.	St. Libory	1909-13, 15-19	
Bulla, J.H.	South Omaha		1911-13, 17-19
Bullard, William C.	McCook	1933-35 <sup>5</sup>	
Bunnell, T.A.	Ashland	1879-81	
Burch, J.C.	Wymore		1895-97
Buresh, James	Omaha		1931-33, 35-37
Buresh, John J.	Omaha		1927-29
Buresh, Vaclav	Omaha		1901-03
Burgess, H.C.M.	Lincoln		1903-07
Burgess, J. Frank	Omaha		1915-17, 19-21
Burke, Allen G.	Bancroft		1923-33
Burke, David W.	Bancroft		1895-97
Burket, Homer K.	Lincoln		1913-15
Burkett, Elmer J.	Lincoln		1897-99
Burkley, V.	Douglas County		1866 <sup>1</sup> -67
Burling, T.R.	Firth		1879-81
Burman, Frank	Omaha		1897 <sup>2</sup> , 1899-1901
Burney, Willard H.	Hartington		1919-21
Burnham, A.J.	Springview		1889-91
Burnham, Sumner W.	Lincoln	1887-89	1885-87
Burns, Edward C.	Scribner		1895-97
Burns, J.F.	Scribner	1881-83	
Burns, Joseph	Lincoln	1907-09	1893-97, 1899-1901, 05-07
Burns, Martin	York	1881-83	
Burns, William H.	Omaha		1879-81
Burr, C.C.	Lincoln	1875-77, 85-87	
Burr, Walter M.	Juniata, Kenesaw		1927-37
Burroughs, W.W.	Central City		1905-07
Burrows, Chase W.	Adams		1917-19
Burtch, George S.	LaPlatte		1873-75
Burtch, Samuel F.	Papillion		1877-79

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Name	Residence	Senate	House
Burton, George W.	Orleans	1889-91	
Busboom, Ben H.	Crete		1935-37
Busch, Charles H.	Nebraska City	1913-15	
Bush, A.H.	Naponee		1877-79
Bush, G.H.	Grand Island		1879-81
Bushee, Berton Kenyon	Kimball	1913-23	1909-13
Busse, C.H.W.	Decatur		1911-13
Butler, David	Pawnee City	1883-85	
Butler, J.R.	Pawnee City		1867 <sup>2</sup> -69
Butler, John H.	Omaha		1897 <sup>7</sup>
Butt, William	Omaha		1909-11
Byars, Charles E.	Valley		1925-27
Byers, Effie	Hastings		1935 <sup>6</sup> -37
Bygland, I.S.	Bradish	1915-17	1909-11
Byram, H.D.	Decatur		1897-99, 1907-09
Byrnes, J.C.	Columbus	1907-09	
Byrum, Albert H.	Bloomington		1919-23, 25-27
Cadman, John	Lincoln	1866 <sup>1</sup> -67	1867 <sup>6</sup> -69, 77-79
Cady, A.E.	St. Paul	1905-07	1889-91
Cady, H.F.	Nebraska City	1881-83	
Cady, Pearl L. <sup>11</sup>	Arlington		1935-37
Cain, J.R., Jr.	Stella	1909-11	1901-03
Cain, John B.	Aurora		1893-97
Caldwell, George H.	Grand Island	1895-97	
Caldwell, H.P.	Omaha		1925-27
Caldwell, James L.	Lincoln		1887-91
Caldwell, P.A.	Edgar		1903-07
Caldwell, S.T.	Edgar		1877-79
Caldwell, Smith T.	Edgar		1897-99
Calhoun, Samuel H.	Otoe County	1866 <sup>1</sup> -67	
Calkins, D.K.	Macon		1887-89
Calkins, Elisha C.	Kearney	1877-79	
Calkins, J.F.	Friend		1901-03
Callahan, Thomas C.	Friend		1885-87
Callan, John S. <sup>11</sup>	Odell	1933-37	
Cameron, John H.	Herman		1887-89
Cameron, M.	Vacoma		1889-91
Campbell, B.W.	Clay Center		1897-99
Campbell, Challen G.	Walthill		1927-35
Campbell, Frank	O'Neill	1901-03	
Campbell, J.E.	Papillion	1887-89	
Campbell, Jacob N.	Fullerton	1893-97	
Campbell, Robert W.	Grand Island		1895-97
Campbell, William	Otoe County	1882 <sup>6</sup> -83	
Canaday, J.S.	Minden	1897-1901	
Canfield, George	Omaha	1883-85	
Canfield, John	Tekamah		1935-37
Cannon, J.T.	Cass County		1871-73

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Name	Residence	Senate	House
Cannon, Samuel L.	Westerville		1887-89
Cantlin, J.R.	Webster		1881-83
Capek, Thomas	Omaha		1891-93
Carder, W.W.	Lincoln		1879-81
Carlin, J.J.	Bassett		1907-09
Carlson, Oscar	Axtell		1895-97
Carlson, Swan <sup>11</sup>	Funk		1935-37
Carman, A.A.	Spring Creek		1881-83
Carman, J.L.	Cook		1933-35
Carnaby, William	Omaha		1883-85
Carns, Edmund C.	Seward	1877-79	
Carpenter, G.J.	Fairbury		1893-95
Carpenter, Robert C.	Bellwood		1891-93
Carr, John F.	Springview		1909-11
Carrigan, Dennis	Sidney		1881 <sup>7h</sup>
Carroll, Frank L.	Schuyler		1922 <sup>6</sup> -23
Carroll, T.L.	Gothenburg		1919-21
Carsten, Fred L. <sup>11</sup>	Avoca	1935-37	
Carstensen, John	Genoa		1919-21
Carter, Samuel	Richardson County		1870 <sup>6</sup> -71
Carton, John	O'Neill		1899-1901
Case, E.S.	Stockville		1909-11
Case, J.H.	Fairfield		1881-83
Case, Leslie Dwight	Bloomfield		1925-29
Case, O.C.	Red Cloud	1883-85	
Casebeer, James H.	Blue Springs		1897-99, 1905-07
Casper, Charles D.	David City	1887-89	1885-87, 93-97
Cassell, Job W.	Nebraska City		1903-07
Castle, G.H.	Blue Springs	1882 <sup>6</sup> -83	1883-85
Cawthra, R.	Holbrook		1899-1901
Chab, John	Dorchester		1909-11
Chaddock, Luther	Seward County		1882 <sup>6</sup> -83
Challburg, H.L.	Potter		1933-35
Chambers, A.M.	Walthill		1915-17
Chambers, B.F.	Dakota City		1875 <sup>9</sup>
Chambers, J.H.	Herman		1899-1901
Chambers, William N.	Omaha	1923-29	1915-17
Champlin, Lewis C.	Fairbury		1877-79
Chapin, C.C.	Riverton		1883-85
Chapin, William F.	Cass, Saunders counties	1869 <sup>5</sup>	1866 <sup>1,2</sup> -69
Chapman, Samuel M.	Plattsmouth	1875-79	
Chapman, Thomas C.	Wahoo		1875 <sup>4</sup>
Chapman, W.O.	Crete		1895-97
Chappell, Charles A.	Minden	1917-21, 27-29	
Chappell, George W.	Enderslake		1913-15
Charlston, C.O.	Phelps		1883-85
Chase, Charles H.	Crawford		1909-11
Chase, Charles H.	Stanton		1895-97

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Name	Residence	Senate	House
Chase, J.O.	Fairmont		1877-79
Chase, Jackson B.	Omaha		1933-35
Chase, John N.	Sarpy County		1869-71
Cheney, M.B.	Lincoln	1879-81	
Cherry, A.B.	DeWitt	1885-87	
Chittenden, W.E.	Clatonia, Cortland		1897-1901
Christensen, A.C.	Minden		1905-07
Christofferson, George C.	Omaha	1891-93	
Christopherson, J.	Omaha		1883-85
Christy, George S.	Johnson		1903-05, 19-21
Christy, Hal	Scribner		1889-91
Christy, S.W.	Edgar		1889-91
Church, Jarvis S.	Nemaha County		1869-71
Clapp, Hammond	Steele City		1891-93
Clark, A.F.	Schuyler		1883-85
Clark, Chester M.	Burchard		1931-33
Clark, Cloyd E.	Elwood	1935 <sup>6</sup> -37	
Clark, E.L.	Clay, Lancaster, Saunders, Seward counties		1867 <sup>2</sup> -69
Clark, Elam	Washington County		1871-73
Clark, H.F.	Bellevue	1885-87	
Clark, H.G.	Omaha		1883-85
Clark, James	Dakota County		1871-73
Clark, Loran	Albion		1875-79
Clark, O.G.	Columbus	1929-33	
Clark, Paul F.	Lincoln		1897-1901
Clark, Ralph A.	Stella		1897-99, 1909-11
Clark, T.S.	Osceola		1879-81
Clarke, A.L.	Hastings	1907-09	
Clarke, Charles H.	Omaha	1893-95	
Clarke, E.D.	Valentine		1911-13
Clarke, Henry T., Jr.	Omaha		1905-09
Clarkson, J.T.	Schuyler	1879-81	
Claussen, Peter H. <sup>11</sup>	Leigh		1935-37
Clayburn, Henry	Monroe		1915-17
Clayton, I.R.	Wymore		1911-13
Clizbe, George D.	Ainsworth		1921-23
Coats, William N.	Stuart		1903-07
Coffee, Charles F.	Chadron		1901-03
Coffey, C.J.	Spencer	1903-05	
Coie, William	Upland		1897-99
Colby, Leonard W.	Beatrice	1877-79, 87-89	
Cole, Albert V.	Juniata		1885-89
Cole, Charles	Humboldt		1881-83
Cole, Dimitt	Cass County		1867 <sup>2</sup> -69
Cole, Irving M.	Doniphan		1883-85
Cole, J.W.	Culbertson		1895-97
Cole, Willis W.	Neligh		1919-23

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Name	Residence	Senate	House
Coleman, A. ....	Stromsburg.....		1889-91
Coleman, J.M. ....	Neligh.....		1889-91
Collins, George B. ....	Omaha .....		1923-25
Collins, George F. ....	Firth.....	1891-93	
Collins, George S. ....	Omaha .....		1923-25
Collins, George W. ....	Pawnee City.....		1871-73
Collins, J.S. ....	Colon.....		1883-85
Collins, Thomas J. ....	Richardson County .....		1867 <sup>2</sup> -69
Collins, William.....	Bancroft.....		1889-91
Colman, A.C. ....	Chappell.....		1923-25
Colpetzer, Frank.....	Omaha .....		1883-85
Colton, George R. ....	David City.....		1893-95
Colton, William.....	York.....		1911-13
Comstock, John H. <sup>11</sup> .....	Lincoln.....		1931-37
Conaway, John B. ....	York.....	1897-99	1895-97
Cone, Trenmor .....	Benson, Valley, Wahoo .....		1907-09, 27-35 <sup>4</sup>
Conger, J.W. ....	Otoe County .....		1871-73
Conger, William H. ....	Loup City.....	1887-89	1885-87
Conkling, A.T. ....	Tekamah .....	1883-85	
Conley, Thomas E. ....	Beatrice, Fairbury .....		1915-19
Conner, A.H. ....	Kearney.....	1883-85, 89-91	
Connolly, James P. ....	Omaha .....		1909-11
Conwell, M. ....	Grafton .....		1899 <sup>7</sup> -1901
Cook, J.M. ....	Oxbow .....		1881-85
Cook, W.L. ....	Fairbury.....		1883-85
Cooksey, W.H. ....	Burruss .....		1901-03
Cooley, Alfred S. ....	Eagle.....		1893-97
Coon, C.B. ....	Hebron.....	1881-85	
Cooper, John W. ....	Omaha .....	1919-33	
Cooperider, I.J. ....	Hastings .....		1909-11
Cope, James A. ....	Pawnee City.....		1885-89
Coppoc, Ed. ....	Chambers.....		1901-03
Copsey, A.H. ....	Ansley, Westerville .....		1903-07
Corbin, Orin A. ....	Tecumseh, Vesta.....		1889-91, 1913-15
Cordeal, John F. ....	McCook .....	1911-15, 19-21	
Corneer, S.A. ....	Omaha .....		1901-03
Cornelius, George .....	Grand Island .....		1885-87
Cornell, Charles H. ....	Valentine.....	1889-91	
Cornell, W.H. ....	York County.....		1876 <sup>6</sup> -77
Cornish, A.J. ....	Lincoln.....		1891-95
Corr, Thomas.....	Staplehurst.....		1885-87
Correll, Erasmus M. ....	Hebron .....	1893-95	1881-83
Cosgrove, James H. ....	Burwell .....		1899-1901
Coulter, Bern R. ....	Bridgeport .....		1925-31
Coulter, John F. ....	Fairmont.....	1879-81	
Coulter, T.B. ....	Underwood .....	1891-93	
Coutant, Charles K. ....	Omaha .....	1879-81	
Covell, George W. ....	Nebraska City .....	1877-79	
Cox, H.A. ....	Wilcox.....	1911-13	

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Name	Residence	Senate	House
Cox, James M.....	Hampton, Marquette .....	1903-05, 09-13	
Cox, John E.....	Cairo.....		1915-17
Cox, Joshua .....	Hampton, York.....	1913-15	1883-87
Cox, Levi .....	South Omaha.....		1897 <sup>7i</sup> , 1899-1901
Craddock, James H. ....	Omaha .....		1917-19
Craig, William S. ....	Craig .....		1887-89
Cramb, J.O. ....	Fairbury.....		1891-93, 95-97
Cramer, J.E.....	Fairmont.....		1873-75
Crane, Morgan.....	Taylor .....		1887-89
Crane, Thomas D.....	Omaha .....	1895-97	1893-95
Cravens, Joseph M.....	Armour.....		1903-07
Crawford, George N.....	Sarpy County.....		1867 <sup>2</sup> -69
Crawford, J.C.....	West Point .....	1873-75, 77-79	1875-77
Crawford, James .....	South Bend.....		1885-87
Crawford, John .....	Atkinson.....	1895-97	
Creighton, James .....	Omaha .....		1877-79
Crinklaw, J.G.....	Neligh.....		1915-17
Crissey, H.G. ....	Crab Orchard.....		1901-03
Critchfield, A.J. ....	Omaha .....		1866 <sup>1</sup> -67
Crockett, Charles.....	Bloomfield.....		1899-1903
Crofoot, Edward Brooks .....	Omaha .....		1927-29
Cromer, E.P.....	Gering .....		1931-37
Cronin, Dennis H. <sup>11</sup> .....	O'Neill .....	1919-22 <sup>5</sup>	1911-19
Cronk, J.H.....	Ord .....		1897-99
Crook, William H.....	Falls City .....		1885-87
Cropsey, A.J.....	Gage, Jefferson, Lancaster, Pawnee, Saline counties .....	1871-73	
Cropsey, Daniel B.....	Fairbury.....		1903-07
Cross, George .....	Fairbury.....	1895-97	1893-95
Crounse, J. ....	Omaha .....		1931-35
Crounse, Lorenzo.....	Fort Calhoun.....	1901-03	
Crow, Joseph.....	Omaha .....	1899-1901	1895-97 <sup>7i</sup>
Crowe, George.....	Nemaha County .....		1867 <sup>2</sup> -69 <sup>8</sup>
Crowley, Charles B. ....	Omaha .....	1935-37	
Crozier, Wilmot F.....	Osceola .....		1919-21, 31-35
Cruzen, A.R. ....	Curtis.....		1889-91
Culdice, C.H.....	DeWitt .....		1907-09
Cummins, Bert.....	Seward.....		1935 <sup>6</sup> -37
Cummins, Herschel B.....	Seward.....	1901-03	1935 <sup>5</sup>
Cunningham, A.V.....	Giltner.....		1903-07
Cunningham, Benjamin F. ....	Richardson County .....		1866 <sup>1,7a</sup>
Cunningham, Ebenezer E. ....	Richardson County .....	1869-71 <sup>5</sup>	
Cunningham, Findley .....	Orleans.....		1899-1901
Cuppy, John A. ....	Fontanelle.....	1879-81	
Currie, F.M.....	Broken Bow, Sargent .....	1899-1903	
Currie, Frank .....	Crawford, Whitney.....		1903-07
Curry, G.R. ....	Arapahoe, Holbrook.....		1927-33

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Name	Residence	Senate	House
Curtis, C.E.	South Omaha		1897-99
Curtis, Charles W.	Battle Creek		1891-93
Curtis, William	Adams		1879 <sup>7c</sup>
Cushing, Marion J.	Ord		1929-35 <sup>4</sup>
Cushing, R.C.	Omaha		1889-91
Cushing, Ruth Work	Ord		1935 <sup>6</sup> -37
Daddow, Fred	Loup City		1929-33
Dafoe, Albert N.	Tecumseh		1915-19
Dafoe, Charles A. <sup>11</sup>	Tecumseh	1935-37	
Dahlsten, Peter	Ericson		1901-03
Dailey, Robert B.	Indianola		1881 <sup>7b</sup> -83
Daily, William	Nemaha County	1870 <sup>6</sup> -71	1867 <sup>2</sup> -69, 71-73
Daily, William, Jr.	Peru	1881-83	
Dalbey, Dwight S.	Beatrice		1915-21
Dale, Walter F.	Atlanta	1893-97	
Darner, J.H.	Cozad	1893-95	
Dau, William G.J.	Hooper		1915-19
Davenport, H.H.	St. Helena		1883-85
Davidson, James	Xenia		1875-77
Davies, John A.	Plattsmouth		1893-97
Davis, Edward S.	North Platte		1919-23
Davis, F.E.	Wahoo		1879-81
Davis, Frank J.	Weeping Water		1907-09
Davis, James A.	Omaha	1921-22 <sup>5</sup>	1913-15
Davis, James H.	Gibbon		1879-81, 1903-07
Davis, Jesse T.	Washington County	1867 <sup>2</sup> -69	
Davis, John P.	Geneva		1923-25
Davis, Troy L.	Weeping Water		1923-25, 27-33
Dawes, James W.	Crete	1877-79	
Dawson, John	Alma		1883-85
Day, C.A.	Sand Creek	1885-87	
Day, George L.	Superior	1903-05	
Day, R.N.	Tekamah		1879-81
Day, T.J.	Burwell	1891-93	
Dean, Frank A.	Holdrege	1903-05	
Dearing, William H.	Plattsmouth	1897-99	
Dech, William H.	Ithaca	1883-85	1873-75
Decker, F.	Hebron		1891-93
Delaney, M.C.	Brainard		1889-91, 95-97
Deles-Dernier, William	Elmwood		1903-07
Dempsey, William	Alliance		1895-97
Dempster, John A.	Geneva		1887-91
Dempster, Peregrine J.	Republican City		1879-81, 85-87
Denman, H.C.	Doniphan		1889-91
Denman, Z.H., Jr.	Alda		1883-85
Dennis, Paul M.	Lincoln		1923-25
Densmore, Leonard Darwin	Wymore		1923-27
Denton, W.A.	Douglas County		1866 <sup>1</sup> -67
Dern, John	Hooper	1889-91	

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Name	Residence	Senate	House
Detrick, H.M.	York		1903-07
Detweiler, J.O.	Omaha		1899-1901
Dew, J.S.	Tecumseh		1881-83, 93-95
Deweese, J.M.	Richardson County		1866 <sup>1,2</sup> -69
Dick, James A.	Wauneta		1925-27
Dickerson, Albert L.	Litchfield		1891-95
Dickinson, John W.	Waverly		1887-91
Diers, Herman	Gresham	1909-11	1901-03
Diers, William H. <sup>11</sup>	Gresham		1933-37
Dietz, J.A.	Broken Bow		1925-29
Diller, William H.	Diller		1887-91
Dillon, Job A.	Tecumseh	1873-75	
Dillon, W.E.	Otoe County		1871-73
Dimery, Martin W.	Beaver Crossing	1905-07	
Dimmick, J.M.	Macon		1893-95
Dinan, Emmett	Omaha		1935-37
Dinsmore, John B.	Sutton	1881-83	
Ditmar, R.A.	Nebraska City		1899-1901
Doane, George W.	Omaha	1881-83	
Dobry, Joseph G.	Schuyler		1899-1901, 03-05
Dobson, Richard	Grafton		1891-95, 97-99
Dodd, J.F.	St. Paul		1883-85
Dodge, G.M.	Glencoe		1879-81
Dodge, Hugh L.	Douglas County		1873-75
Dodge, Nathan P., Jr.	Omaha	1913-17	1905-09
Dodson, P.F.	Wilber	1907-09	
Dolan, James W.	Indianola	1883-87	
Dolezal, Frank	Wahoo	1925-27	1909-13
Donnelly, C.F.	Fullerton		1923-25
Donohoe, James A.	O'Neill	1909-11	
Doolittle, W.H.	Sterling		1877-79
Doom, James E.	Cass, Otoe counties	1867 <sup>2</sup> -69	1871-73
Doran, Thomas H.	Burwell		1905-09
Dorsey, B.F.	Tecumseh	1879-81	
Dorsey, W.C.	Bloomington		1917 <sup>5</sup>
Dort, E.H.	Auburn		1911-13
Dostal, Joseph	Abie		1909-13
Doty, C.W.	Beaver Crossing	1917-19	
Douglas, James A.	Bassett		1903-07
Douglas, R.G.	Osceola		1921-23
Douthett, D.M.	Overton	1915-17 <sup>5</sup>	
Dowell, E.W.	Salem		1935 <sup>6</sup> -37
Dowell, M.L.	Salem		1933-35 <sup>5</sup>
Downing, Alfred B.	Vesta		1919-23
Dowty, J.R.	Falls City		1881-83
Doyle, John F. <sup>11</sup>	Greeley		1935-37
Draper, David S.	Plattsmouth		1883-85
Draper, H.A.	Edgar		1879-81

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Name	Residence	Senate	House
Draper, Solomon.....	Niobrara.....		1883-85
Druesedow, Robert C. ....	Omaha .....		1913-17, 19-23, 27-31
Duby, Charles.....	Sarpy County.....		1871-73
Dudley, Erwin G.....	Omaha .....		1873-75
Duerfeldt, Gustavus.....	Richardson County .....		1867 <sup>2</sup> -69
Dugan, Edward J.....	Omaha .....		1933-37
Dundas, John H.....	Auburn.....	1897-99	
Dunham, Martin.....	Omaha .....		1867 <sup>2</sup> -69, 73-75
Dunkin, M.W.....	Unadilla.....		1907-09
Dunn, Francis .....	Rogers .....		1891-93
Dunn, James A. ....	Rogers .....	1899-1901	
Dunn, Lester L. <sup>11</sup> .....	Lincoln .....		1935-37
Dunn, W.J. ....	DeWitt .....		1889-91
Dunphy, R.E. ....	Seward.....	1883-85	
Duras, C. ....	Crete.....	1887-89	
Durland, A.J. ....	Norfolk .....	1885-87	
Dutcher, Charles K. ....	Indianola.....		1923-27
Dutton, William R.....	Merna .....	1921-23	
Dworak, Gus A. ....	Omaha .....	1929-35	
Dyball, George B.....	Omaha .....		1919-25 <sup>4</sup>
Dye, William.....	Fairmont.....	1883-85	
Dysart, Thomas B. ....	Omaha .....	1925-27	1921-25
Dysart, William.....	Superior .....	1891-95	
Eager, DeWitt.....	Beaver Crossing.....		1897-99
Eager, Earl O. ....	Lincoln .....		1911-13
Easterling, John M. ....	Kearney .....	1899-1901	
Eastman, L.H.....	Campbell .....	1909-13	
Eastman, William G.....	Kingston.....		1897-1901
Easton, Harry K.....	Omaha .....	1929-23	
Eberman, Joseph H. ....	Davenport .....		1885-87, 1915-17
Edgar, William H. ....	Beatrice .....	1901-03	
Edmondson, J.H.....	Aurora.....		1901-03
Edwards, Jonathan .....	Sarpy County.....		1870 <sup>6</sup> -71
Eggenberger, Peter, Jr.....	Strang .....		1903-05, 11-13
Egger, John F. ....	Roca.....		1923-27
Eggleston, George W.....	Bennet.....	1891-95	1887-89
Eickhoff, Arnold.....	Aten.....		1893-95
Eighmy, P.H.....	Long Pine .....		1897-99
Einsel, E.D. ....	Holdrege.....	1885-87	
Eiseley, Charles F.....	Hoopar, Norfolk .....		1877-81, 87-89
Elder, Samuel M.....	Clay Center.....		1891-95
Eller, I.C.....	Blair.....		1907-09
Elliott, Allen.....	Ragan.....		1889-91
Elliott, J.B.....	Syracuse .....		1877-79
Elliott, J.S.....	Kearney.....		1925-27
Ellis, Charles C.....	Sterling.....		1887-89
Ellis, Enos E.....	Allen.....		1893-95, 1911-13

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Name	Residence	Senate	House
Ellis, Frank O. ....	Beatrice .....		1909-11
Elmelund, William C. ....	Valparaiso .....		1913-17
Elsasser, A.W. ....	Omaha .....		1923-25
Elwood, Henry C. ....	Creighton .....		1899-1901
Elwood, William A. ....	Oakdale .....		1913-15
Ely, James F. ....	Auburn .....		1895-97
Emerson, Charles D. ....	May .....		1885-87
Emerson, Raymond .....	Lexington .....		1930 <sup>6</sup> -33
Endicott, John J. ....	Dorchester .....		1899-1901
Endorf, F.W. ....	Tobias .....		1897-99
England, George .....	Eldorado .....		1933-35
Englehard, F.W. ....	Rising City .....		1879-81
Engstrom, P.G. ....	Funk .....		1905-07
Enyart, Logan .....	Nebraska City .....		1873-77
Epperson, Charles H. ....	Fairfield .....	1905-09	1921-23
Erickson, Andrew .....	Campbell .....	1919-21	1913-15
Erisman, LeRoy .....	Auburn .....		1935-37
Ernst, George A. ....	Kimball .....		1923-25, 27-29
Ernst, William .....	Graf .....		1905-07
Ervin, J.R. ....	Pawnee City .....	1881-83	
Essam, Harvey R. ....	Beatrice .....		1921-31
Evans, Arthur J. ....	David City .....	1881-83	
Evans, C.B. ....	Cedar, Dixon, L'Eau qui Court counties .....		1869 <sup>8</sup>
Evans, F.B. ....	Dixon .....		1915-17
Evans, Isaiah D. ....	Kenesaw .....		1899-1901, 11-13
Evans, J.H. ....	Omaha .....	1897-99	
Evans, J.L. ....	Aurora .....		1909-11
Evans, John E. ....	North Platte .....		1901-03
Everett, Beriah W. ....	Lyons .....		1885-87
Everett, Fremont .....	Lyons .....	1893-95	1889-91
Ewan, J.G. ....	Grant .....		1877-79
Ewing, James .....	Wood River .....		1887-89
Ewing, S.M. ....	Benkelman .....		1917-19
Fablinger, George .....	South Auburn .....		1883-85
Fairbrother, George W. ....	Nemaha County .....		1866 <sup>1</sup> -67
Fallstead, George H. ....	Falls City .....		1913-15
Fannon, George W. ....	Royal .....		1909-11
Farley, Henry W. ....	Weeping Water .....		1875-77
Farley, J.J. ....	Marquette .....		1889-91
Farley, W.I. ....	Aurora .....		1907-09
Farman, George A., Jr. ....	Ainsworth .....		1927-29
Farnsworth, J.B. ....	Springview .....		1893-95
Farrel, John .....	North Bend .....		1893-95
Farrell, Thomas F. ....	Chapman .....	1897-1901	
Faxon, J.W. ....	Lanham .....		1891-93
Fee, J.R. ....	Crookston .....		1891-93
Feichtinger, Charles .....	Pleasant Valley .....		1891-93

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Name	Residence	Senate	House
Felker, W.S.	Omaha		1891-93, 97-99
Fellers, A.H.	Humboldt		1901-03
Fellers, E.E.	Monroe		1903-05
Felton, G.A.	Angus		1891-95
Feltz, F.Q.	Ogallala	1897-99	
Fenlon, Peter F.	David City		1905-07
Fenno, S.B.	Omaha		1889 <sup>7k</sup>
Fenton, Jerry	Dawson's Mill		1879-81
Fenton, William	Dawson		1887-91
Ferguson, Arthur N.	Omaha	1877-79	
Ferguson, George	Syracuse		1879-81
Fernow, Martin	Roseland		1897-99
Ferrar, Henry S.	Grand Island		1903-07
Fickler, Albert	Stanton		1929-31
Field, Allen W.	Lincoln		1883-87
Fieldgrove, Henry	Shelton		1889-91
Filley, Elijah	Beatrice	1883-85	1881-83
Filley, H. Clyde	Beatrice		1911-13
Filley, William F.	Allen		1919-21
Filson, G.M.	Humboldt	1885-87	
Finnegan, S.J.	Lindsay		1933-37
Fischer, Henry	Arago		1875-77
Fishback, George C.	Harvard		1903-07
Fisher, Allen G.	Chadron		1899-1901
Fisher, H.A.	Pilger		1879-81
Fisher, J.B.	Aspinwall, Nemaha	1875-77, 83-85	
Fisher, J. Walker	Petersburg		1913-15
Fitchie, James	Otoe County		1869-71
Fitchpatrick, W.W.	Hebron		1877-79
Fitle, Frank J.	South Omaha		1905-07
Flaherty, F.P.	St. Edward		1935-37
Flamme, William	Berlin		1891-93
Flanagan, Ira	Omaha		1913-15
Flansburg, Leonard A.	Lincoln		1917 <sup>5</sup>
Fleetwood, Leonard T.	Wakefield		1917-19
Fleming, Henry J.	St. Paul		1935 <sup>5</sup>
Fletcher, W.G.	Orchard		1905-07
Flynn, Thomas J.	Omaha		1899-1901
Fogarty, J.L.	Greeley		1909-11
Folda, Frank	Schuyler		1875-77
Ford, Harvey	Hubbell		1903-05
Ford, Patrick	Omaha		1891-93
Ford, Philo H.	Bertrand		1893-95
Forell, Ira G.	Chester		1931-35
Foster, Harry A. <sup>11</sup>	Florence, Omaha		1905-07, 13-15, 19-23, 29-33
Foster, William	Lincoln		1915-17
Fouke, G.R.	Liberty		1897-99
Foulon, James S.	Fairmont		1913-15, 17-19

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Name	Residence	Senate	House
Fowler, Charles A.	Ohioa	1899-1901	1901-03
Fox, George	Osmond		1913-17
Fox, George W.	Cozad		1887-89
Fox, Joseph	Douglas County		1869-71
Frady, C.H.	Pierce		1877-79
Frahm, William C.	Blue Hill		1929-33
France, C.L.	Syracuse		1907-09
Frank, C.E.	Norman		1935-37
Franklin, S.J.	Beaver City		1921-23
Franse, T.M.	West Point		1881-85
Frantz, H.K.	Eagle		1919-23
Frantz, Millard F.	Friend		1887-89
Frazeur, Allen	Bellevue		1921-23
Frazier, Kelly	Cedar, Dixon, L'Eau qui Court counties		1866 <sup>1</sup> -67
Frederick, J.F.	St. Paul		1879-83
Freeburn, William	Sterling		1883-85
Freeman, F.K.	Kearney County	1867 <sup>2</sup> -69	
Freeouf, Frank	Crete, Wilber		1927-35
French, H.A.	Milford		1879-81
Frerichs, John	Febing		1877-79
Fretz, I.S.	Geranium		1899-1901
Fried, William	Fremont		1881-83
Friedrich, M.L.	Cedar Creek, Plattsmouth		1901-05
Fries, M.L.	Arcadia	1903-07	
Fries, Soren M.	Dannebrog	1923-25	1903-05, 07-21
Fritz, Nick	Pender	1897-99	1895-97
Frost, Andrew	Uehling		1919-23
Frost, George W.	Douglas County	1869-71	1867 <sup>2</sup> -69
Frost, Tracy T. <sup>11</sup>	St. Paul		1935 <sup>6</sup> -37
Frost, William S.	Blair		1891-93
Frush, George F.	Wahoo	1927-35	
Fuchs, John W.	Platte Center		1887-89
Fuller, A.B.	Cass County		1867 <sup>2</sup> -69
Fuller, F.W.	Paris		1889-91
Fuller, Frank	Wayne	1887-89	
Fuller, George W.	Seward	1909-11	1899-1903, 11-21
Fuller, John N.	Hanover		1887-89
Fulton, F.F.	Wymore		1933-35
Fulton, Samuel	Alma		1891-95
Fulton, Samuel A.	Johnson County	1870 <sup>6</sup> -71	
Fults, John F.	Beaver City		1915-21
Funck, I.W.	Beatrice	1889-91	
Funk, Phillip C.	Funk		1907-09, 13-15
Furay, John B.	Douglas County		1869 <sup>8</sup>
Gaffin, J.N.	Colon		1891-95, 97-99
Gafford, Charles C.	Wymore		1887-89
Gale, A.H.	Bassett		1891-93
Galey, S.B.	Lancaster County		1871-73

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Name	Residence	Senate	House
Gallagher, C.V.	Omaha	1879-81	
Gallagher, Donald	O'Neill		1923-25
Gallagher, Felix L.	Rosalie		1911-13
Gallogly, James J.	Chapman	1889-91	
Gallogly, O.	Johnstown		1901-03
Galt, A.A.	Edgar		1911-13
Gamble, James G.	Hooper		1887-89
Gammill, John G.	Stockville	1909-11	
Gandy, Jesse	Broken Bow		1911-13
Gannon, John G.	Rosalie	1921-22 <sup>5</sup>	
Garber, Daniel <sup>11</sup>	Red Cloud		1923-25
Garber, Silas	Red Cloud		1873-75
Gardiner, M.J.	Omaha		1929-31
Gardner, Jonathan F.	Richardson County		1869-71
Gardner, W.A.	Omaha		1889-93
Garfield, Horace	David City	1877-79	
Garvey, Patrick	Omaha		1887-89
Gass, Thomas	Kearney	1933-35	
Gassman, F.W.	Ogallala		1879-81
Gates, Amos	Gilmore		1879-83, 89-91
Gates, J.M.	Fort Crook	1915-19	1909-11, 13-15
Gawne, W.Y.R.	Central City		1901-03
Gaylord, E.S.	Fontanelle		1875-77
Gaylord, Fred	Kearney		1897-99
Gaylord, R.E.	Omaha		1879-81
Gelwick, C.C.	Brainard		1903-05
Gerdes, Henry	Barada, Falls City		1891-95, 97-99, 1905-07, 09-13
Gerdis, William	Arago		1877-79
Gere, Charles H.	Gage, Jefferson, Lancaster, Pawnee, Saline counties, Lincoln	1869-71, 81-83	1866 <sup>1</sup> -67
Gerhart, Edwin H.	Newman Grove		1919-21
Gerrard, Leander	Columbus	1871 <sup>5</sup>	
Gibson, J.S.	Omaha		1877-81
Gibson, L.C.	South Omaha	1905-09	
Giffert, D.C.	West Point	1899-1901	
Giffin, W.D.	Gothenburg	1903-07	
Gifford, Ernest H.	Lewiston		1919-23
Gifford, William M.	Lewiston		1891-95
Gilbert, D.W.	Omaha		1903-05
Gilbert, E.A.	York		1889-91
Gilbert, J.W.	Friend		1879-81
Gilchrist, L.W.	Alliance		1889-91
Gilham, James S.	Red Cloud	1877-79	
Gill, David	Hebron		1885-87
Gillespie, L.G.	O'Neill		1935-37
Gillespie, Mabel A.	Gretna		1925-35
Gillette, Edward	Holdrege	1935 <sup>5</sup>	

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Name	Residence	Senate	House
Gilligan, John P.....	O'Neil .....	1905-07	
Gillilan, John J.....	Lincoln .....		1891-93
Gilman, J.D.....	Falls City .....		1877-79
Gilman, L.S. ....	Havelock .....		1907-09
Gilmore, J.C.....	Prosser .....		1921-27
Gilmore, Joseph C.....	Plattsmouth.....		1877-79, 87-89
Gishwiller, C.W.....	Wilcox .....		1901-05
Givens, Felix.....	West Point .....		1897-99
Glasgow, William G.....	Nemaha County .....		1866 <sup>1</sup> -67
Glenn, Robert A.....	West Salem .....		1885-87
Gliem, Philip.....	Danbury.....		1905-09
Glover, H.B.....	Comstock .....	1907-09	
Goar, Isaac N.....	Callaway .....		1895-97
Goddard, Samuel.....	McCook .....		1891-93
Goehner, J.F.....	Seward.....	1885-87	
Goldsmith, Bennett .....	West Point .....		1893-95
Gondring, John N.....	Columbus .....	1897-99	
Good, Ellis E.....	Peru, Salem.....	1905-07	1903-05, 17-23
Good, James W.....	Chadron .....	1919-25	
Goodall, Francis A.....	Omaha .....		1917-19
Goodin, Isaac.....	Kearney, Lincoln, Saline counties.....		1871-73
Goodman, Charles F.....	Omaha .....		1873-75
Goodrich, Henry E.....	Nelson.....	1925-29	1919-23
Goodrich, L.....	Fairmont.....	1907-09	
Goodwill, William F.....	Butler, Washington counties.....		1869-71
Gordon, A.P.....	Hemingford.....		1923-25
Gordon, Henry.....	Lavinia.....		1883-85
Gormly, William .....	Lowell .....		1915-19
Goshorn, J.S.....	Chester .....		1897-99
Goss, Charles A.....	Omaha .....		1893-95
Goss, T.S.....	Wayne.....		1893-95
Gould, E.D.....	Wolbach .....	1905-09	
Gould, W.T.....	Elm Creek .....		1921-25
Gow, James.....	Papillion.....		1883-85
Grace, Jackson M.....	Mascot.....	1913-17	
Graff, Charles .....	Bancroft.....		1907-11
Graff, R.V.....	Bancroft .....		1933-35
Grafton, William S.....	Western .....		1899-1901
Graham, Alexander.....	Beatrice .....	1893-97	
Graham, Loyal M.....	Stockville.....	1897-99	
Graham, Robert B.....	Waverly.....		1881 <sup>10</sup>
Graham, Thomas .....	Seward.....	1881-83	
Grammer, Charles.....	St. Paul .....		1893-95
Grandstaff, Joseph L.....	Bladen .....		1897-1901
Graver, William.....	Brock.....		1883-85
Graves, John G.....	Otoe County .....		1866 <sup>1</sup> -67 <sup>2</sup>
Gray, A.W.....	Tecumseh.....		1866 <sup>1</sup> -67
Gray, Fred W.....	Wahoo .....		1883-85

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Name	Residence	Senate	House
Gray, W.B.	Carleton		1881 <sup>10</sup>
Gray, William M.	North Loup	1893-97	
Graybill, R.W.	Aurora		1879-81
Green, Barton	Lincoln		1919-21
Green, Charles D.	Sidney	1933-37	
Green, J. Reid	Lincoln		1919-25
Green, O.E.	Genoa		1889-91
Green, S.W.	Ewing		1907-09
Green, Samuel L.	McCook		1887-89
Greenwalt, George W.	Broken Bow		1913-19
Gregg, Charles H.	Kearney		1927-29
Gregg, F.M.	Wayne		1903-05
Greig, James	Genoa		1907-11
Grell, Claus	Chalco		1897-1903
Grenell, Edwin N.	Sarpy County		1871-73
Griffin, B.F.	Tekamah		1909-11
Griffin, Joel T.	Douglas County		1867 <sup>2</sup> -71
Griffin, Thomas D.	Hardy		1925-27
Griffith, Peter	Junia		1893-97
Griffith, W.C.	Lincoln		1877-79
Griggs, Nathan K.	Beatrice	1873-75 <sup>9</sup>	
Grimes, H.M.	Ord		1883-85
Grimes, M.C.	Chambers		1897-99
Grimm, J.H.	Wilber	1879-81	
Grinstead, R.E.	Humboldt		1883-85
Griswold, Dwight P.	Gordon	1925-30 <sup>5</sup>	1921-23
Grosbach, Harry H.	Wauneta		1935 <sup>6</sup> -37
Grossmann, John H.	Omaha	1913-15	1911-13
Grosvenor, J.H.	Aurora, Stark		1897-1901
Grothan, O.	St. Paul	1897-99	
Grout, A.P.	Syracuse		1883-85
Groves, C.E.	Firth		1909-11
Grueber, William	Byron		1909-15
Gumaer, Alfred W.	St. Paul		1885-87
Gumb, John	Fremont	1923-25	
Gunnerson, Joe E.	Aurora		1933-35
Gunnnett, J.M.	York		1891-93
Gustafson, Carl H.	Lincoln, Mead		1911-15
Gustin, John J.	Murdock		1913-15
Guthrie, David	Superior		1895-97
Gutoski, Peter P. <sup>11</sup>	Omaha		1935-37
Gwyer, William A.	Omaha	1873-75	
Haarmann, Ferdinand	Omaha	1913-15	
Haase, F.F.	Emerson	1917-19	
Hadsell, Fred L.	Wahoo		1909-11
Hagemeister, W.	Henderson		1907-09
Hager, Walter E.	Hastings	1917-19	
Hagerty, James F.	Sargent	1913-15	
Hagood, John Mc. F.	Cass County		1869-71

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Name	Residence	Senate	House
Hahn, Leopold.....	Hastings.....	1893-97 .....	1889-91
Hairgrove, E.E.....	Sutton.....	.....	1895-97
Hakanson, Peter.....	Fairfield.....	.....	1921-23
Halderman, Jacob F.....	Pawnee City.....	1921-23	
Halderman, W.J.....	Burchard, Mission Creek.....	1899-1901 .....	1877-79
Hale, Fielden J.....	Battle Creek, Norfolk.....	1893-95, 1899-1901, 13-15	
Hall, A.W.....	Edgar.....	.....	1923-25
Hall, Charles L.....	Lincoln.....	.....	1889-91
Hall, Edward J.....	Grand Island.....	.....	1891-93
Hall, George A.....	Green Island.....	.....	1877-79
Hall, Hamilton J.....	David City.....	1919-21	
Hall, James.....	Eight Mile Grove.....	.....	1881-85
Hall, James.....	Newport.....	.....	1899-1901
Hall, Joseph.....	Tekamah.....	1903-05.....	1901-03
Hall, Leland R. <sup>11</sup> .....	Roseland.....	1935 <sup>c</sup> -37	
Hall, Matthew A.....	Omaha.....	1903-05	
Hall, Patrick J.....	Ashland.....	.....	1885-87
Hall, T.F.....	Douglas County.....	.....	1871-73
Haller, William D.....	Blair.....	1897-99, 1905-07 .....	1893-95, 1899-1901, 11-13
Hallgren, Frank.....	Holdrege.....	.....	1927-29
Halpine, P.F.....	Omaha.....	1933-35	
Hamer, T.F.....	Kearney.....	.....	1907-09
Hamilton, David W.....	Millerton, Rising City.....	1897-99, 1901-03	
Hamilton, W.R.....	Washington County.....	.....	1866 <sup>1</sup> -67
Hammitt, B.F.....	Bradford.....	.....	1879-81
Hammond, J.W.....	Cambridge.....	1917-21	
Hampton, I.B.....	Guide Rock.....	.....	1889-91
Hand, W.E.....	Greenwood.....	.....	1905-07
Haney.....	.....	.....	1876 <sup>c</sup> -77
Hanks, H.H.....	Nebraska City.....	.....	1901-03
Hanna, David.....	Wood Lake.....	1907-09 .....	1903-05
Hanna, J.R.....	Greeley Center.....	.....	1889-91
Hanna, Thomas K.....	Cass County.....	1866 <sup>1</sup> -67	
Hanner, Harry.....	David City.....	.....	1921-23
Hannibal, Rasmus R.....	St. Paul.....	1899-1901	
Hansen, Christian F.....	Tilden.....	.....	1923-25
Hansen, Henry P.....	North Platte.....	.....	1925-33, 35-37
Hansen, I.E.....	Archer.....	.....	1907-09
Hanson, Robert.....	Oakland.....	.....	1879-81
Hanthorn, James.....	Superior.....	.....	1889-91
Hanthorn, Walter A.....	Superior.....	.....	1935-37
Hardenburgh, E.H.....	Lancaster County.....	.....	1867 <sup>2</sup>
Hardin, D.S.....	Alma.....	.....	1911-15, 19-21, 23-25
Harding, W.A.....	Oakland.....	.....	1889-91
Hardy, H.R.....	Stromsburg.....	.....	1899-1901

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Name	Residence	Senate	House
Harkson, Henry.....	Davey .....		1895-97, 1899-1901
Harlan, Nathan V.....	York.....	1901-03 .....	1885-89
Harman, William J. ....	Fremont .....		1903-07
Harmon, Frank P.....	Pauline.....		1893-95
Harrington, Buel S.....	Ainsworth.....		1909-13
Harrington, R.B.....	Beatrice.....	1881 <sup>10</sup>	
Harrington, R.E.....	University Place .....		1923-27
Harrington, William.....	Tekamah .....		1883-85
Harris, C.L.....	Cedar Rapids.....	1883-85	
Harris, D.H.....	Unadilla.....		1899-1901
Harris, J.E.....	Amherst.....		1901-03, 13-21
Harris, James E.....	Talmage.....	1893-95	
Harris, John C.....	Greeley.....		1917-19
Harris, R.D.....	Ogallala.....		1895-97
Harris, Robert H.....	Lynch.....	1922 <sup>6</sup> -23	
Harrison, Charles J.....	Wahoo.....		1887-89
Harrison, M.T.....	Dunbar.....		1907-09
Harrison, Peter.....	Alda.....		1877-79
Harrison, Thomas O. C.....	Grand Island.....	1883-85	
Harrison, W.G.....	Blair.....		1903-05
Harrison, W.H.....	Grand Island.....	1903-05.....	1895-97
Harriss, Riley C.....	Fairbury.....	1919-23	
Harritt, R.F.....	Nelson.....		1929-31
Harsh, A.F.....	Lowell.....	1905-07	
Hart, David.....	Hastings.....	1905-07	
Hart, J.E.....	Gresham.....		1907-09
Harte, A.C.....	Omaha.....		1895-97, 1919-21
Hartwell, Addison F.....	Inavale.....		1913-15
Hartwell, James B.....	Hastings.....	1887-89	
Harvey, A.E.....	Arapahoe.....		1877-79
Harvey, A.R.....	Omaha.....		1907-09
Harvey, Augustus F.....	Otoe County.....		1867 <sup>2</sup> -69
Hascall, Isaac S.....	Douglas County.....	1867 <sup>2</sup> -69, 71-73	
Hascall, Vincent C.....	Omaha.....		1921-23
Hasik, John D.....	Abie.....		1911-15
Haskell, James D.....	Arnold.....		1890 <sup>6</sup> -93
Hasselbalch, Earl.....	St. Edward.....		1929-31
Hastings, A.J.....	Webster.....		1899-1901
Hastings, Alfred G.....	Lincoln.....		1875-77
Hastings, George B.....	Grant.....	1921-25	
Hastings, George H.....	Crete, Pleasant Hill.....		1875-77
Hastings, Jay <sup>11</sup> .....	Osceola.....		1935-37
Hastings, Shelby.....	David City.....	1903-05	
Hastings, W.G.....	Wilber.....	1885-87	
Hasty, D.S.....	Arapahoe.....	1903-05	
Hatch, W.O.....	Vacoma.....		1883-85
Hatfield, I.H.....	Lincoln.....		1911-13
Hatfield, J.D.....	Neligh.....	1909-11	

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Hathaway, Hiram D.....	Cass County .....	1869-71 .....	1866 <sup>1</sup> -67
Hathorn, J.E.....	Bartley .....	.....	1899-1905
Havekost, John .....	Hooper.....	.....	1927-37
Haven, H.H.....	Gibbon.....	.....	1883-85
Havens, C.E.....	Atkinson .....	.....	1929-31
Havlik, James .....	Abie .....	.....	1895-97
Hawk, C.S.....	Chadron .....	.....	1933-35
Hawke, Robert.....	Otoe County .....	1871 <sup>5</sup>	
Hawxby, Fred G.....	Auburn, Nemaha.....	1933-35.....	1901-03
Haycock, Frank L.....	Callaway .....	.....	1923 <sup>6</sup> -25
Haycock, Willis F. <sup>11</sup> .....	Callaway .....	.....	1933-37
Hayden, Benjamin H. ....	Wilber.....	.....	1887-89
Hayden, C.M. ....	London .....	.....	1875-77
Hayden, D.T. ....	Nebraska City .....	1879-81	
Hayes, Samuel W.....	Fremont, Norfolk.....	1873-75, 77-79	
Hays, C.W.....	McCool Junction .....	.....	1882 <sup>6</sup> -83, 89-91
Haywood, C.F. ....	Nemaha County .....	.....	1867 <sup>2</sup> -69
Hazen, Solon M.....	Blue Springs .....	.....	1885-87
Heacock, P.S.....	Falls City.....	.....	1881-83
Healey, Thomas A.....	Milford.....	.....	1877-79
Heapy, J.W.....	Litchfield.....	1897-99	
Heasty, John .....	Fairbury.....	1913-15	
Heater, Arthur A. ....	Arafino, Eustis, Stockville .....	.....	1925-29, 33-35
Heath, E.L.....	Rushville .....	.....	1891-93
Heckt, Cornelius T.....	Bloomfield.....	1925-27	
Hector, Fred.....	South Auburn .....	.....	1909-11
Hedge, J.C.....	Hastings .....	1903-05	
Hedges, Charles A.....	Indianola.....	.....	1919-21
Heermann, W.F.....	Pilger .....	.....	1925-27
Heffernan, Dan C. ....	Hubbard.....	.....	1907-11, 23-29 31 <sup>4</sup>
Heffernan, John C.....	Jackson .....	.....	1877-79
Heiliger, Henry .....	Plymouth .....	.....	1911-15
Heimrich, John .....	Hooper.....	.....	1883-87
Heimrod, George.....	Omaha .....	.....	1887-89
Heist, George W.....	Sidney .....	1883-85	
Helmer, Lewis.....	Lincoln.....	.....	1875-77
Helms, John H.....	Aurora .....	.....	1881-83
Hendershot, F.J. ....	Hebron.....	.....	1875-77
Henderson, Robert .....	Henderson.....	.....	1897-99
Henderson, Roy.....	Riverview.....	.....	1935-37
Hennick, C.W.....	Burwell .....	.....	1891-93
Henry, David P.....	Tecumseh.....	.....	1885-87
Henry, Frank J.....	Schuyler.....	1909-11	
Henry, H.R.....	Disney, Mineola, O'Neill.....	.....	1891-95, 1907-11
Henry, John R.....	Howells .....	1915-19	
Herman, S.J. ....	Wilber.....	.....	1881-83, 91-93
Hermanson, Niles .....	Dannebrog .....	.....	1905-07

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Name	Residence	Senate	House
Herrick, Charles R. <sup>11</sup>	Curtis		1935-37
Herron, J.R.	Orchard		1903-05
Herzog, H.H.	Herman		1911-13
Hibbert, Thomas E.	Adams		1899-1903
Hibbler, George W.	Omaha		1930 <sup>6</sup> -31
Hicklin, William M.	Otoe County		1867-69
Hickman, William	Seward		1879-81
Hicks, Charles E.	Bladen		1899-1901
Higgins, James M.	Sunlight	1887-89	1885-87
Higgins, P.M.	Schuyler	1887-89	
Higgins, Ray M.	Omaha		1925-27
Higgins, W.P.	Westcott		1893-97
Hile, L.L.	St. Michael		1897-99
Hill, Earle L.	Ohiowa		1933-35
Hill, J.F.	Juniaata	1891-93	
Hill, James S.	Bellwood		1889-91
Hill, John C.	Imperial		1905-09
Hill, R.H.	Edgar		1897-99
Hill, W.C.	Blue Springs		1921-23
Hilliard, Earle	Roscoe		1921-23
Hilton, B.F.	Burt, Washington counties	1871-73	
Hinds, E.B.	Odell		1893-97
Hines, Leon L.	Benkelman	1935 <sup>6</sup> -37	
Hines, Robert E.	Omaha		1925-27
Hinkle, H.M.	Springfield		1891-93
Hinman, Beach I.	North Platte	1877-79	
Hinman, Charles R.	Newman Grove		1925-27
Hitchcock, J.H.	Tecumseh	1895-97	
Hoagland, Henry V.	Lincoln	1913-17	
Hoagland, Walter V.	North Platte	1911-15, 19-23	
Hoare, Edwin H.	Monroe		1921-23
Hoare, Fred	Monroe		1905-07
Hocknell, George	McCook		1885-87
Hodges, B.	Minden	1901 <sup>7m</sup>	
Hoebel, Louis	Syracuse	1885-87	1883-85
Hoff, Samuel G.	Florence		1913-15
Hoffmeister, Fred	Imperial		1913-19, 21-23
Hogrefe, W.H.	Stella		1903-07
Hoile, Joseph T.	Richardson County		1866 <sup>12</sup> -69 <sup>8</sup>
Holbrook, W.D.	Ames, Everett	1895-97, 99-1901, 07-09, 25-27	1897-99
Holcomb, H.	Middleburg		1873-75
Holden, Oscar	Clay, Gage, Johnson, Jones, Pawnee counties	1867-69	
Holland, L.J.	Indianola		1897-99
Holliet, James G.	Havelock		1903-07
Hollman, Joseph	Dakota City		1881-85
Holmes, Charles A.	Tecumseh	1887-89	1875-77
Holmes, Edward P.	Pierce		1885-87

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Name	Residence	Senate	House
Holmes, Robert H.	Omaha		1909-13
Holsworth, William	Homer		1885-87
Holt, Frank H.	Beatrice		1885-87
Holt, John W.	Salem	1877-79	
Homer, J.C.	North Bend		1883-85
Hooper, Edward	Grand Island		1889-91
Hoover, John S.	Blue Hill	1889-91	
Hoover, Mc.	Salem		1919-21
Hopkins, John H.	Omaha		1917-18 <sup>5</sup>
Hopkins, Owen H.	Alma		1935-37
Horn, Valentine	Phillips	1891-93	
Hornby, Thomas C.	Valentine		1915-17
Horne, O.	Syracuse		1889-91
Horner, William	Lexington		1897-99
Horst, George	Osceola		1887-89, 93-97
Horton, Richard S.	Omaha	1911-13	
Horton, W.H.	Norden, Springview		1901-03, 05-07
Hospodsky, John A.	Wilber		1909-13
Hostetler, M.A.	Shelton		1913-21
Hostetter, Christopher	Central City		1881-83
Houck, Miles D.	Omaha		1899-1901
Householder, W.B.	Bladen		1901-03
Housh, F.M.	Neligh		1911-13
Houston, E.C.	Tekamah	1919-21	
Hovis, Victor M.	Lexington		1927-29 <sup>5</sup>
Howard, A.S.	Kenesaw		1907-09
Howard, A.T.	Scottsbluff	1935-37	
Howard, Edgar	Papillion		1895-97
Howard, Ezra E.	Edgar		1883-87
Howard, F.M.	Aurora	1899-1901	
Howard, Jeremiah	South Omaha		1909-11, 15-21, 29-30 <sup>4</sup>
Howard, L.M.	Green Island		1873-75
Howard, Rufus M. <sup>11</sup>	Flats, Sutherland		1935-37
Howard, T.J.	Greeley		1911-13
Howarth, Walter	Exeter		1915-17
Howe, Church	Auburn, Bedford, Howe, Sherman	1877-81, 85-87 89-91	1875-77, 81-83, 91-95
Howe, F.A.	North Bend		1907-09
Howe, H.R.	Auburn		1905-07
Howe, John D.	Omaha	1881-83	
Howell, Edward E.	Omaha	1897-99, 1909-11, 15-19	
Howell, M.	York	1883-87	
Howell, Robert B.	Omaha	1903-05	
Howell, Sam J.	Omaha	1935-37	
Hoy, C.H.	Silver Creek		1901-05
Hoye, Charles W.	Omaha	1925-27	
Hoyt, T.C.	Rulo	1875-77	

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Hubbard, Edwin P.	Juniata		1913-15
Hudson, A.J.	Colfax, Platte counties		1871-73
Hueftle, G.C.	Eustis		1923-25
Huff, Edward T.	Springfield		1885-87
Hughes, Hugh	Columbus	1905-07	
Hughes, John J.	Battle Creek		1917-19
Hughes, John R.	South Omaha		1923-25
Hull, O.	Alma		1895-99
Hullihen, Thomas G.	Niobrara		1877-79
Hummel, George W.	Red Cloud	1913-15	
Humphrey, A.R.	Broken Bow		1935-37
Humphrey, Clara C.	Mullen		1925-27
Humphrey, Fred B.	Lincoln		1909-11
Humphrey, George C.	Doniphan, Grand Island	1921-23, 25 <sup>4</sup>	1901-03
Humphrey, George M.	Pawnee City		1883-85
Hungate, J.H.	Omaha		1889-91
Hunker, F.D.	West Point		1905-07
Hunt, Cary M.	South Omaha		1901-03
Hunt, Edward L.	Syracuse		1929-33
Hunt, George A.	Crete		1917-19 <sup>4</sup>
Hunt, Jacob S.	Kearney, Lincoln, Saline counties		1869-71
Hunter, Charles	Inavale		1903-05
Hunter, Charles W.	St. Paul		1901-03
Hunter, J.M.	Mincola, O'Neill		1889-91, 1925-27
Hunter, Richard C.	Omaha		1915-17
Hurd, L.G.	Harvard	1889-91	
Huse, Jesse B.	Omaha		1891-93
Hutton, A.H.	Lincoln		1915-19
Hyatt, N. Secor	President		1897-99
Hyde, Mason E.	Gothenburg		1923-25, 35-37
Hyers, Robert W.	Plattsmouth	1885-87	
Hynek, C.F.	Wilber		1915-17
Ijams, William H.	Omaha	1889-91	
Illian, William H.	Albion	1921-27	
Iodence, W.M.	Hemingford		1931-35
Irwin, William J.	West Hill		1885-87, 93-95
Israel, Frank	Benkelman		1899 <sup>7</sup> -1901
Jackman, Charles E.	Grand Island		1931-35
Jackman, Ernest Eugene	Grant		1927-31
Jackson, A.H.	Pawnee City		1881-83
Jackson, George W.	Nelson		1913-19
Jackson, H.W.L.	Beatrice	1905-07	
Jackson, N.D.	Neligh		1905-07
Jackson, S.K.	Omaha		1881-83
Jacobs, Florian	Broken Bow		1919-23
Jacobson, John E.	Lexington		1917-21
Jacoby, I.W.	Havelock		1923-25

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Jahnel, Frank	Kennard, Blair		1903-07
James, P.H.	Cortland		1893-95
Jamison, James M.	Touhy		1901-03
Jansen, Peter	Beatrice, Jansen	1911-13	1899-1901
Jardine, Walter S.	Omaha		1931-33
Jeary, Clark	Lincoln	1925-31	1919-23
Jeary, Edwin	Greenwood, Lincoln		1887-89, 1913-17
Jeffcoat, John	Omaha	1897-99	
Jeffres, E.W.	Horace	1895-97	
Jelen, Edward	Omaha	1935 <sup>5</sup>	
Jelen, Jerry J.	Omaha		1917-19
Jelen, Oldrich J.	Omaha		1929-33
Jenison, Andrew J.	Harvard		1907-09, 19-21
Jenkins, Charles T.	Haigler		1919-21
Jenkins, D.C.	Gage, Jefferson counties		1871-73
Jenkins, E.M.	Alexandria		1893-97
Jenkins, George E.	Fairbury		1897-99
Jenkins, John D.	Fairmont		1879-81
Jenness, Richard H.	Omaha		1895-97
Jennings, William H.	Davenport	1903-07	
Jensen, A.G.	Fremont		1931-35
Jensen, John	Geneva		1893-95
Jensen, Thomas	Ulysses		1881-85
Jeppesen, Louis M. <sup>11</sup>	Hubbard		1935-37
Jewett, George H.	Sidney	1879-81	
Jewett, L.H.	Broken Bow	1889-91	
Jindra, Joseph	Crete		1885-87
John, James	Cambridge		1911-13
Johnson, Alfred	Holdrege		1925-27
Johnson, Benjamin	Wahoo		1881-83
Johnson, C.W.	Potter	1925-33	
Johnson, Charles S.	Wahoo		1883-85
Johnson, Charles T.	Omaha		1901-03
Johnson, Edward Henry	Sterling		1927-29
Johnson, Eric	Holdrege		1889-91
Johnson, Erick	Hastings, Roseland	1921-25	1905-07, 09-11, 17-19
Johnson, F.M.	Tekamah		1877-79
Johnson, Fred G.	Dorchester, Hastings	1919-21	1907-09, 17-19
Johnson, J.L.	Abbott		1893-95
Johnson, J.M.	Orleans	1901 <sup>7m</sup> -03	
Johnson, J.S.	Funk		1899-1901, 03-05
Johnson, J.V.	Ord		1891-93
Johnson, John H.	Herman		1923-27
Johnson, John Harry	Holdrege	1929 <sup>4</sup>	1919-23
Johnson, L.L.	Inland	1893-95, 97-99	
Johnson, Nathan	York		1893-95

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Johnson, Nels.....	Oakland .....		1909-11
Johnson, Olaf O.....	Gordon .....		1925-31
Johnson, Oscar F.....	Oakland .....		1919-21
Johnson, Porter C.....	Tecumseh.....		1911-13
Johnson, Richard O.....	Havelock .....		1927-31
Johnson, Stanfield B.....	Omaha .....		1933-35
Johnson, T.B.....	Aurora .....		1877-79
Johnson, Walter Richard <sup>11</sup> .....	Omaha .....		1925-27, 31-35
Johnston, Alva M. <sup>11</sup> .....	Doniphan .....		1935-37
Johnston, B.J.....	Howe.....		1893-97
Johnston, James C.....	Lincoln.....		1885-87
Johnston, John W.....	Omaha .....		1895-97
Johnston, Nathaniel.....	Howard.....		1879-81
Johnston, Samuel Elwell .....	Orchard.....		1923-31
Johnston, Simon.....	Milford.....		1891-93
Jones, C.R.....	Juniata .....		1881-83
Jones, Cass.....	Rulo .....		1903-05, 07-09
Jones, Charles L.....	Schuyler.....		1925-33
Jones, D.A.....	Wayne.....		1897-99
Jones, D.N.....	Brock.....		1897-99
Jones, E.F.....	Lyons.....		1891-93
Jones, George U.....	Wymore .....		1897-1901
Jones, J.O.....	Glenwood.....		1883-85
Jones, John M.....	Clay Center.....		1911-13
Jones, Oliver C.....	Richardson County .....		1869-71
Jones, R.F.....	Lyons.....		1891-93
Jones, R.T.....	Scottsbluff .....		1931-33
Jones, R.W.W.....	Dunbar.....	1905-07 .....	1903-05
Jones, T.L.....	Hendley.....		1913-15
Jones, T.P.....	Falls City.....		1895-97
Jones, W.B.....	Clarks.....		1905-07
Jones, W.L.....	Wymore .....		1931-33
Jordan, E.....	Pawnee City.....		1877-79
Jordan, William.....	Odessa.....		1901-03
Jouvenat, Frank.....	Petersburg.....		1901-07
Judd, L.P.....	Cedar Rapids.....		1895-97
Junkin, George C.....	Smithfield .....	1930 <sup>6</sup> -31 .....	1903-07
Jury, Jacob A.....	Ashland .....		1877-79
Kaley, C.H.....	Red Cloud .....		1882 <sup>6</sup> -83
Kaley, C.W.....	Red Cloud.....		1905-07
Kaley, H.S.....	Red Cloud.....		1881 <sup>10</sup>
Kaley, Jacob L.....	Red Cloud.....		1885-87
Kapp, George F.....	Butte.....		1897-99
Karbach, C.J.....	Omaha .....		1879-81
Kaspar, Joseph F.....	Prague .....	1935 <sup>5</sup> .....	
Kauffman, William M.....	Brownville .....		1913-17
Kaup, William.....	Western .....		1893-97
Kautsky, Charles.....	Omaha .....		1923-25
Kaveny, John.....	Linwood.....		1901-05

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Name	Residence	Senate	House
Keck, B.S.	Stromsburg		1923-27
Keckley, Charles R.	York	1887-91	1893-95, 1913-15
Keckley, W.H.	York		1879-81
Keegan, Frank R.	Omaha		1917-19
Kehm, Karl	Omaha		1927-33
Kehoe, John A.	Platte Center		1885-87
Keifer, J.W., Jr.	Bostwick		1907-09
Keifer, Oswin	Bostwick		1923-25
Keiper, George F.	Pierce	1891-93	1887-91
Keister, Estial C.	Auburn		1929-31
Keller, Fred	Eustis		1931-33
Kelley, J.W.	Beaver City		1909-11
Kelley, John E.	Platte County		1867 <sup>2</sup> -69
Kelley, P.C.	Grand Island		1913-15
Kemp, J.H.	Fullerton		1911-15
Kemper, E.L.	Aurora		1923-25
Kempton, W.H.	Wilber		1881-83
Kenagy, David P.	Milford		1919 <sup>5</sup>
Kendall, James F.	Ponca		1921-25, 27-31
Kennard, Thomas P.	Lincoln	1877-79	
Kennedy, Andrew R.	Cass, Butler, Sarpy, Saunders, Seward counties		1871 <sup>7c</sup> -73
Kennedy, B.E.B.	Omaha		1879-81
Kennedy, Horace F.	Broken Bow		1929-31
Kennedy, J.A.C.	Omaha		1903-05
Kennedy, R.A.	Pawnee City		1879-81
Kenney, Andrew J.	Red Cloud		1887-89
Kent, Lewis A.	Minden		1887-89
Kent, Walter R.	Hay Springs		1911-13
Kerns, J.W.	Auburn		1903-05
Kerr, Louis Herman	Maxwell		1925-27
Kessler, John F.	Oakland		1893-95
Ketchum, Smith	Chester		1909-11
Keyes, Albert Marshall	Hollbrook		1923-27
Keyes, Clarence E.	Springfield		1893-95
Kiechel, Walter	Johnson		1913-17
Kier, Samuel Max	Lincoln		1927-33
Kiester, Henry C.	St. Edward		1897-1901
Killen, D.J.	Adams		1907-11
Kilmer, George M.	Western		1885-87
Kime, Michael G.	Nehawka		1915-17
Kimmel, W.F.	Osceola		1879-81
King, Edwin L.	Osceola		1907-11
King, H.P.	Beaver Crossing		1885-87
King, Horace G.	Friend		1881 <sup>10</sup>
Kinkaid, M.P.	O'Neill		1887-89
Kipp, Frank	Burt, Cuming counties		1883-85
			1871-73

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Name	Residence	Senate	House
Kirk, Wert L.....	Creighton.....		1911-13
Kittle, E.H.....	Rockville.....		1903-05
Klein, Jacob.....	Beatrice.....	1909-11, 13-15	
Kloepfel, John.....	Rulo.....		1879-83
Kloke, Robert F.....	West Point.....		1893-95
Klopping, Frank J.....	Wayne.....		1931-35
Knapp, William M.....	York.....	1877-79	
Knepper, A.J.....	Octavia.....	1899-1901	
Knowles, J.H.....	Fremont.....		1907-09
Knox, David.....	Omaha.....		1887-89
Knox, Oscar.....	Kearney.....		1903-07
Knudson, Knud C.....	Fullerton.....		1913-15
Knutzen, C.F.....	Bruning.....		1917-19
Koch, Ferdinand.....	West Point.....		1915-19
Koetter, F.W.....	Omaha.....		1903-05
Kohl, Phillip H.....	Wayne.....	1911-19	
Koontz, Jasper N.....	Estell.....	1891-93	
Korff, Henry.....	Hartington.....		1913-17
Korisko, Walter.....	Omaha.....		1925-27
Koster, George G.....	Niobrara.....	1931-33	
Kotouc, Otto, Sr. <sup>11</sup> .....	Humboldt.....		1909-13
Kraus, J.P.....	South Omaha.....		1909-11
Krick, Edward.....	Minden.....		1891-95
Kroh, J.S.....	Ogallala.....	1923-25	
Krumbach, Charles.....	Shelby.....	1901-03, 13-17	
Krummer, Vincent.....	Buffalo, Hall, Kearney, Lincoln, Merrick, Monroe, Platte counties.....	1866 <sup>1,7b</sup>	
Kruse, James G.....	Creighton.....		1891-95
Kryger, Ralph M.....	Neligh.....	1927-31	
Kuhl, John.....	Randolph.....		1907-13
Kunkel, H.L.....	Albion.....	1931-35	
Kuony, John B.....	Fort Calhoun.....		1883-87
Kuppinger, Herman E.....	Omaha.....		1925-27
Kyd, Robert R.....	Beatrice.....		1905-07
Kyner, James H.....	Omaha.....	1881-83, 93-95	
LaBounty, Albert.....	Moorefield.....		1915-17 <sup>5</sup>
LaChappelle, Joseph Blanchard.....	Ashland.....		1927 <sup>4</sup>
Lafin, L.H.....	Crab Orchard.....		1873-75
Lafin, R.W.....	Wymore.....		1901-03
Lahnert, Thomas.....	Belvidere, Bruning.....	1915-19	1905-09
Laird, G.C.....	Dodge.....		1883-85
Lamaster, J.E.....	Nebraska City.....	1875-77	
Lamb, C.L.....	Stanton.....		1881-83
Lamb, Elmer J.....	Tecumseh.....		1923-25
Lambert, William B.....	Neligh.....		1877-79
Lamborn, J.J.....	Indianola.....		1895-97
Lamp, H.A.....	Bennington.....		1891-93
Lampert, J.M.....	Wahoo.....		1917-21

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Name	Residence	Senate	House
Landgren, George	Shickley		1925-29
Lane, Arthur W.	Lincoln		1889-91, 1901-03
Lang, Howard W.	Litchfield		1919-21
Langhorst, Henry	Ohioa		1895-97
Lanigan, Thomas W.	Greeley		1915-17
Larkin, John L.	Omaha	1923-25	
Larsen, Charles C.	Taylor		1933-35
Larsen, John	Omaha, South Omaha		1915-17, 19-21
Larsh, Napoleon B.	Otoe County	1872 <sup>6</sup> -73	
Larson, L.P.	Fremont		1889-91
Lash, Emmor	Peru		1879-81, 89-91
Latta, James P.	Tekamah	1907-09	1887-89
Laughlin, J.C.	Tekamah		1881-83
Laughlin, Loren H.	Beatrice	1925-29	
Lauritsen, Laurits	West Point		1919-23
LaVelle, P.M.	North Platte		1933-35
Laverty, Alexander	Ashland	1905-07, 09-11	
Lawrence, F.P.	Fremont		1909-13
Lawson, Thomas J.	Long Pine		1925-27
Leach, David	Dodge, Sarpy counties	1866 <sup>1</sup> -67	
Leary, C.A.	Douglas County		1870 <sup>6</sup> -71
Lee, Cyrus H.	Silver Creek		1885-87
Lee, Jefferson D.	Lynch	1897-99, 1911-13	1925-29
Lee, John C.	Hastings		1925-27
Lee, John M.	Oxford		1883-87, 89-91
Lee, Michael	Omaha		1905-09, 13-15
Leeder, Ed	Omaha		1907-09
Leftwich, C.E.	St. Paul		1921-23
Leggett, Homer D.	Ord	1935 <sup>6</sup> -37	
Lehman, George	Columbus		1881-83
Lehr, William J.	Mead	1895-97	
Leidigh, George W.	Nebraska City		1893-95, 1909-13, 17-19
Lemar, Curtis M.	Valparaiso, Wahoo		1897-1901, 17-19
Lewis, T.L.	Oakland	1885-87	
Ley, Henry	Wayne		1889-91
Ley, Lewis	Stanton	1879-81	
Lichty, John A.	Falls City		1901-03
Liddell, John	Omaha	1901-03	1897-99
Liebhart, George	Marquette		1885-87
Liesveld, Herman J.	Firth		1885-89
Liggett, George, Jr.	Utica		1915-19
Lilley, John Gates	Papillion		1935-37
Linch, Thomas	Richardson County		1872 <sup>6</sup> -73
Lindberg, J.T.	Elgin		1917-19
Lindsay, Harry C.	Pawnee City	1895-97	
Lindsay, J.P.	Beaver City	1887-91	
Lindsey, George W.	Red Cloud		1911-13, 15-17

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Name	Residence	Senate	House
Line, W.C.	Diller		1905-09
Lingenfelter, George C.	Sidney		1893-95
Lininger, George W.	Omaha	1887-89	
Linn, J.L.	Humboldt, Table Rock	1887-91	1881-83
Lisk, Jacob	Syracuse		1879-81
Livengood, H.C.	Franklin		1905-07
Liver, C.B.	Omaha		1911-13
Livingston, Daniel W.	Nebraska City		1927-29
Lobeck, C.O.	Omaha	1893-95	
Lockner, Augustus	Omaha		1893-95
Logsdon, S.	Shickley		1907-09
Lomax, Howard	Lomax		1891-93
Long, John E.	West Point		1879-81
Long, John R.	Loup City		1935-37
Loomis, Frank F.	Edholm		1897-1901
Loomis, George L.	Fremont		1901-05
Lord, George W.	Ulysses		1887-89
Lord, J.S.	Verdon		1905-07
Lorensen, H.C.	Johnstown		1933-35
Losey, George W.	Fremont		1913-15
Love, E.M.	Ainsworth	1885-87	
Love, Lee	York		1877-79
Loveland, D.C.	Columbus		1879-81
Loveland, Edwin	Douglas County		1869-71
Lovely, Joseph	Omaha		1917-19
Lowe, Elliott	Huntley		1901-03
Lowley, G.W.	Seward	1893-95	
Lowry, Vincent J.	Omaha		1929-31, 33-35
Lucas, Robert S.	Pierce		1875-77
Luce, Clarence A.	Republican City	1907-09	1885-87, 1905-07
Luckey, Emil F.	Columbus	1925-27	
Ludi, Nelson James	Wahoo	1935 <sup>c</sup> -37	
Luikart, G.A.	Tilden		1893-95
Lukens, Mark	Bloomfield		1929-35
Lundgren, Nels A.	Omaha		1915-17, 19-21
Lundstrom, LaMonte M.	Holdrege		1933-35
Lundy, James W.	Sargent		1921-25
Lusienski, Ed F. <sup>11</sup>	Columbus, Platte Center		1933-37
Luthy, John U.	Middleburg		1883-85
Lux, Joseph	Rising City		1909-11
Lyman, J.N.	Hastings	1901-03	
Lynch, J.O.	Lexington		1893-95
Lynn, Robert	Magnet		1921-23
Lyon, Waldo	Lyons	1875-77	
MacFarland, John M.	Omaha	1913-15	
Mack, Tobias	Stanton		1879-81
Mackey, Clarence	Ansley		1905-09
Maclay, Fred D.	Auburn		1931-35
Maddox, Wilson Meeks	Otoe, Pierce counties		1872 <sup>e</sup> -73

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Name	Residence	Senate	House
Maier, Michael	Platte Center	1889-91	
Main, A.S.	Loup City		1925-29
Majors, S.P.	Nemaha County		1871-73
Majors, Thomas J.	Nemaha, Peru	1867 <sup>2</sup> -69 <sup>5</sup> , 87-89, 1909-11	1889-91
Mallery, Earl D.	Alliance	1915-17	1913-15
Malster, John Charles	Stromsburg		1927-29
Mangold, Peter	Bennington		1903-05
Mann, William H.	Wilber		1897-1901
Manning, J.R.	Carroll	1889-91	
Manzer, C.E.	Pierce		1917-19
Marble, William H.	Mead		1885-87
Marks, Robert H.	Ohiova		1905-07
Marlett, John W.	Newark		1907-11
Marsh, F.A.	Seward		1907-09
Marshall, C.C.	Arlington		1897-99
Marshall, Charles	Douglas	1903-05	1901-03
Marshall, John T.	Panama	1913-17	
Marshall, Thomas H.	Williamsburg		1887-89
Marshall, William	Fremont	1879-81	
Martenson, John N.	Ceresco		1925-26 <sup>4</sup>
Martin, Francis	Falls City	1901-03	
Martin, Lee	York		1883-87
Martin, Thomas H.	Harvard		1927-29, 31-33
Mason, Fred G.	Upland		1931-33
Mast, S.D.	Moorefield		1911-13
Masters, F.W.	Beaver City		1907-09
Masters, J.H.	Nebraska City		1873-75
Mather, Daniel E.	Arcadia		1913-15
Mathers, A.N.	Gering		1923-25
Mathewson, Charles P.	Norfolk		1879-81
Mathewson, George D.	Shickley		1919-21
Mathewson, J.G.	Pilger		1891-93
Mathieson, John	Omaha		1887-89
Matrau, H.C.	Norfolk		1911-13
Mattes, John Jr.	Nebraska City	1891-95, 1915-19	1889-91
Matteson, Guy H.	Sutton		1915-17
Mattison, George	Ponca		1895-97
Mattson, Ivan H.	Kearney	1935-37	
Maurer, George W.	Beatrice		1919-21
Maurer, Philip	Beaver Crossing		1913-15
Maxwell, Samuel	Cass County		1866 <sup>1</sup> -67
May, Milton	Maple Creek		1873-75
McAllister, G.C.	Chappell		1903-07
McAllister, James J.	Dakota City		1913-15, 17-19
McAllister, W.A.	Columbus	1885-87	1883-85
McAllister, W.L.	Neligh	1917-19	
McArdle, E.J.	Benson		1911-13
McArdle, Patrick	Omaha		1879-81, 85-87

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Name	Residence	Senate	House
McBride, D.L.	Quick		1895-97
McBride, J.C.	Lincoln		1889-91
McBride, J.G.	Lincoln		1929-31, 33-35
McCaig, David	Cass County		1869-71
McCain, William A.	Stapleton		1923-25
McCann, William H.	Hay Springs		1887-89
McCarger, Hugh	Crete	1899-1903	
McCarter, Frank	Bayard	1933-35	
McCarthy, Con.	Bancroft		1911-15
McCarthy, J.J.	Ponca		1899-1903
McCarthy, Richard S.	Spalding		1897-99, 1913-15
McCartney, A.F.	Otoe County		1869-71
McCarty, T.F.	St. Paul	1893-95	
McClay, John H.	Lincoln		1903-07
McClellan, M.E.	North Loup		1911-13
McClun, T.T.	Bennet		1881-83
McClure, H.W.	O'Neill		1881-83
McColl, Charles J.	Beatrice		1909-11
McColl, J.H.	Plum Creek		1877-79
McConaughy, George M.	Stromsburg		1887-89
McCormick, F.E.	Wolbach	1933-35	
McCoy, A.G.	Crawford		1931-33
McCoy, Henry	Omaha		1901-03
McCracken, David	Macon		1897-1901
McCreedy, James	Gold Rinsey		1877-79
McCulloch, D.A.	Alma		1903-05
McCullough, C.W.	Blue Springs		1907-09
McCutchen, William A.	St. Edward		1891-95
McDonald, B.F.	Pender	1893-95	
McDonald, David	Washington County		1866 <sup>1</sup> -67
McDonald, Neil A.	Hastings		1935 <sup>5</sup>
McDougall, M.	Friend		1881-83
McDowell, J.B.	Beatrice		1873-75 <sup>9</sup>
McElhinney, J.C.	Lyons		1905-07
McFadden, William	McCool Junction		1895-97
McFarland, Elmer W.	Ohiova	1929-31	
McFarland, Fred E.	York		1921-23
McGaffin, William H., Jr.	David City		1929 <sup>5</sup>
McGann, Michael W.	Albion	1897-99	
McGavock, Alexander	Omaha		1883-85
McGee, George H.	Clearwater		1897-99
McGinley, William J.	Douglas		1899-1901
McGonigle, Victor J.	Jackson		1933-35
McGowan, J.C.	Norfolk	1921-35 <sup>4</sup>	
McGrath, Charles M.	Wauneta		1919-21, 31-33
McGrew, James B.	Bloomington	1911-13	
McGrew, Samuel W.	Auburn		1887-89
McKay, C.R.	Omaha		1927-31

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McKee, George W.	Syracuse		1877-79
McKee, Henry C.	Palmyra		1919-23
McKeeby, G.E.	Red Cloud	1895-97	
McKelvie, Samuel R.	Lincoln		1911-13
McKenna, Augustine P.	Gretna		1887-89
McKesson, J.C.F.	Emerald	1895-97, 1907-09	1891-95
McKillip, D.C.	Seward		1873-77
McKim, Edward D.	Omaha		1935-37
McKinnon, J.H.	Ashland		1869-71, 81-83
McKissick, John W.	Beatrice		1911-15
McLain, John	Seward		1903-07
McLaughlin, Harry J.	Doniphan		1919-21
McLellan, John	Grand Island		1919-23, 25-31, 35-36 <sup>4</sup>
McLennan, William	Otoe County		1869-71
McLeod, Charles	Stanton		1905-07
McLeod, Dan	Schuyler		1897-99, 1919-21 <sup>4</sup>
McMahon, John J.	Omaha	1935 <sup>5</sup>	
McMahon, Patrick J. <sup>11</sup>	Omaha		1927-35
McMaster, J. Lloyd	Lincoln		1925-29
McMeans, J.A.	Fairbury	1879-81	
McMillan, Aaron M.	Omaha		1929 <sup>5</sup>
McMillan, John	South Omaha		1889-91
McMullen, Adam	Wymore	1917-19	1905-09
McNamar, C.W.	Plum Creek	1887-89	
McNickle, A.B.	Cortland		1889-91
McNitt, Randolph	Red Cloud		1895-97
McQuistan, W.E.	Spencer		1929-31
McReynolds, Logan	Fairfield		1891-93
McShane, John A.	Omaha	1883-87	1881-83
McVey, E.A.	Sutton		1893-95
McVicker, William J.	North Bend		1877-79, 95-97, 1909-11
Meacham, Charles H., Jr.	Dorchester	1923-29	
Mead, George A.	Omaha		1901-03
Mead, Giles	Blair		1879-81
Mears, Grant S.	Wayne		1915-21, 21 <sup>6</sup> -25
Medlar, Irwin A.	Omaha		1921-23
Meeker, C.W.	Imperial		1889-91
Megeath, James G.	Douglas County	1866 <sup>1</sup> -67	
Meier, William H.	Lincoln		1933-35
Meiklejohn, G.D.	Fullerton	1885-89	
Meline, Gus A.	Kearney		1933-37
Mellor, William R.	Lincoln		1921-23
Memminger, T.F.	Madison		1899-1901, 1903-05
Mendenhall, J.E.	Fairbury		1901-05
Mengel, E.M.	Crowder		1877-79

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Meradith, William	York		1903-07
Mercer, J.J.	Brownville		1877-79
Meredith, George W.	Ashland	1901-05	1915-17
Merrick, H.J.	Adams		1893-97
Merten, George H.	Omaha	1935 <sup>6</sup> -37	
Meserve, William A.	Creighton	1905-07	
Metz, Charles L.	Arago		1873-75
Metz, Frederick	Omaha	1871-73, 85-87	
Metzger, A.H.	Rolf		1907-09
Metzger, C.E. <sup>11</sup>	Cedar Creek		1911-13
Meyer, Ernest	Oak		1911-13
Meyers, Henry F.	Omaha	1922 <sup>6</sup> -23	
Meyers, Joseph H.	Falls City		1877-79
Meyers, W.H.	McCook		1931-35
Meysenburg, Nicholas	David City		1915-19
Michener, N.S.	Gresham	1891-93	
Mickey, Benjamin H.	Wood Lake		1921-23
Mickey, John H.	Osceola		1881-83
Mighell, Edwin E.	Aurora	1895-97	
Mülle, Edward J.	Loretto		1919 <sup>6</sup> -21
Mikesell, S.P.	Ponca		1903-05
Milbourn, George F.	Minden		1899-1901
Miles, Benjamin F.	Dawson		1885-87
Miles, F.W.	DeWitt		1895-97
Miller, Albert H.	Blair, Kennard	1921-23, 27-29	1917-21
Miller, E.	Sargent		1909-11
Miller, James E.	Majors	1899-1903	
Miller, James P.	York	1893-95	
Miller, John E.	Lincoln	1909-11	
Miller, L.W.	Burnett		1883-85
Miller, Matt	David City		1885-89
Miller, William	Oakland	1897-99	
Milligan, J.O.	Wakefield		1905-09
Mills, Benjamin B.	Republican City		1877-79
Mills, Frank	Lincoln		1917-19
Mills, M.A.	Osceola	1885-87	
Mills, M.H.	Waverly		1897-99
Milroy, S.E.	Theford		1919 <sup>5</sup>
Miner, Bert C.	Omaha		1915-17
Miner, Charles	Ravenna		1921-27 <sup>4</sup>
Minick, Herman D.	Nemaha County		1870 <sup>6</sup> -71
Minnick, R.L.	Stromsburg		1929-31
Minnix, Hugh C.	Morseville		1887-89
Minor, Andrew J.	Lincoln		1911-13
Miskell, Edward W.	Wilber		1901-03
Miskovsky, Leo	Omaha		1927-29
Mitchell, Clinton J.	Roca		1927-29, 31-35
Mitchell, J.B.	Milford		1897-99
Mitchell, J.L.	Nebraska City		1879-81

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Mitchell, W.R.	Wahoo		1923-29
Moan, J.M.	South Sioux City		1891-93
Mockett, John H., Jr.	Lincoln	1905-07	1901-05, 11-17
Modie, A.C.	McCook		1891-93
Moehrman, Henry	Macon		1895-97
Montgomery, R.W.	Beaver City		1881 <sup>10</sup>
Moody, O.H.	Ansley		1911-13
Moore, Frank	Indianola		1909-13
Moore, J.O.	Palmyra		1881-83
Moore, N.H.	Wilber		1879-81
Moore, R.E.	Lincoln	1887-89, 91-95	
Moore, Servetus V.	York		1877-79, 81-83
Moore, William	Brownville		1923-25
Moran, O.S.	Creston		1897-1901
Morehead, John H.	Falls City	1911-13	
Morgan, John	York		1923-25
Morgan, W.A.	Allen	1899-1901	
Morian, Clarence H.	Newman Grove		1921-23
Moriarty, John F.	Omaha	1917-19	1911-13
Morledge, Bert	Hastings		1927-29
Morris, Alfred E.	Wood Lake		1913-15
Morrisey, Frank R.	Omaha		1889 <sup>7k</sup>
Morrison, James R.	Chester		1897-1901
Morrison, James V.	Gretna		1919-21
Morrison, W.W.	Beatrice		1883-85
Morrow, J.	Seward		1931-33
Morse, W.R.	Clarksville	1881-83	
Morsman, E.N., Jr.	Omaha		1903-05
Morton, Henry	Cedar, Dakota, Dixon, L'Eau qui Court counties		1867-69
Moseley, Ralph S.	Lincoln		1915-19, 21-23
Moudy, M.V.	Lowell		1875-77
Moyer, George H.	Madison		1927-31
Mueller, Fred A. <sup>11</sup>	Kearney		1929-35
Muffy, Charles T.	Meadow Grove	1897-99	
Muir, Sarah T.	Lincoln		1925-27, 33-35
Mullen, J.P.	Emmett	1893-95	1891-93
Mullen, P.M.	Omaha		1881-83, 1901-03
Mulvahill, John	Omaha		1885-87
Munger, T.C.	Lincoln		1895-97
Munn, Eugene	Nebraska City, Swift		1871-73, 75-77, 85-87
Munn, Monte L.	Lincoln		1925-27
Murphey, J. Allen	Dorchester		1921-23
Murphy, Frank	Omaha		1875-77
Murphy, George A.	Beatrice	1897-99	
Murphy, Michael J.	Friend		1911-15
Murphy, P.A.	Exeter		1907-11

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Name	Residence	Senate	House
Murray, James P.	Sargent	1933-35	
Murray, Mark W.	Pender		1899-1903
Murtey, John	Alvo		1917-19
Musick, John R.	Edgar		1903 <sup>4</sup>
Musser, Myrtle E.	Rushville		1931-33
Mutz, Otto	Springview	1897-99	
Muxen, Matthew E.	Omaha		1905-07
Myers, Ernest L.	Newport	1909-11	1895-97
Myers, Hugh A.	Omaha		1899-1901
Myers, John C.	Omaha	1881-83	1871-73
Naffziger, John	Dakota County		1869-71
Nance, Albinus	Osceola		1873-79
Nason, W.N.	Omaha		1893-95
Naylor, Charles	Chadron		1915-19
Neal, Richard F.	Auburn	1917-21	
Neeland, Fred A.	Hemingford	1933-37	
Neff, P.B.	Bloomfield		1915-19, 23-25
Neff, W.	Hildreth		1907-09
Negley, John I.	Omaha		1915-17
Neil, Elmer F.	Cozad		1933-35
Neilson, Fred C.	Bancroft	1905-07	
Neir, Clark E.	Aurora		1911-13
Neligh, John D.	West Point		1885-87
Nelson, Austin	Tekamah		1873-75
Nelson, Charles F.	Seward		1930 <sup>6</sup> -31
Nelson, E.B.	York		1915-17
Nelson, H.J.	Hooper		1911-13
Nelson, N.M.	Pierce, Plainview		1903-05, 19-27
Nelson, Neil P.	Hooper		1891-95
Nelson, W.T.	Omaha		1903-05
Nesbit, John F.	Tekamah		1897-1901, 1917-19
Nesbitt, John I.	North Platte	1889-91	
Nettleton, Daniel M.	Fairfield, Spring Ranch		1883-87, 1907-11
Neubauer, E.M. <sup>11</sup>	Orleans	1931-35	1925-31
Neumann, Arthur L.	Oakland	1927-37	
Neve, William	Omaha		1889-91
Neville, William	Omaha		1877-79
Neville, William	Plattsmouth		1883-85
Newberry, Fred	Aurora		1891-95
Newcomer, Dallas P.	Blue Hill		1885-89
Newell, W.H.	Plattsmouth	1899-1903	
Newlon, B.F.	Palmer		1933-35
Newman, William	Alliance		1935-37
Newmyer, George W.	Central City		1885-87
Newmyer, William S.	Lyons		1925-29
Newton, Robert H.	Franklin		1927-31
Newton, William	Harvard		1887-89

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Name	Residence	Senate	House
Nibbe, Robert J.	Tecumseh	1927-29	
Nichol, John R.	Willowdale		1885-89
Nichols, David	Kearney		1891-93
Nichols, James	Madison		1913-17
Nickles, George E.	Murray		1933-37
Nicodemus, H.B.	Fremont		1877-79
Nielsen, Jens	Omaha		1917-19
Niewedde, Christian F. B.	Columbus		1921-23
Nims, Ruel	Richardson County		1871-73
Nordgren, T.E.	Phillips		1911-13
Noreen, Charles J.	Newman Grove		1919-21
Norris, Charles I.	Table Rock	1903-05	
Norris, Chauncey H.	Table Rock	1885-87	1887-89
Norris, Dan C.	Brewster		1927-33
Norris, W.F.	Ponca	1883-85	
North, Frank	Columbus		1883-85
North, James E.	Columbus	1877-79, 93-95	
North, L.R.	Bridgeport		1923-25
Northrup, C. Maxam	Geneva		1877-79
Norton, John N. <sup>11</sup>	Osceola, Polk		1911-19
Norval, Richard S.	Seward	1889-91, 1921-23	
Norval, T.L.	Seward	1879-81	
Noyes, C.E.	Louisville		1907-11
Noyes, Isaac	Waterloo		1895-97, 1899-1901
Nuernberger, L.C. <sup>11</sup>	Wakefield		1931-33, 35-37
Nutzman, Fred L.	Nehawka		1911-13, 15-17, 21-23
Oakley, R.H.	Lincoln		1891-95
Obbink, Henry	Lincoln		1935-37
Oberlies, L. Clark	Lincoln	1917-19	
Obermiller, Robert	Boelus		1933-35
O'Brien, Archie C.	Grand Island	1935-37	
O'Brien, George M.	Omaha		1889 <sup>7k</sup> -91
O'Brien, John J.	Omaha		1935-37
O'Connell, J.G.	Tecumseh	1907-09	1909-11
Oelkers, Henry	Eustis		1929-31
O'Furey, J.P.	Hartington	1933-35	
O'Gara, William H.	Laurel		1921-37
O'Hanlon, Phillip	Douglas County		1866 <sup>1</sup> -67
Olesen, Julius	Ashland		1929-33
Oleson, Andrew R.	Wisner	1901-03	
Olinger, William G.	Tekamah		1875-77
Ollis, J.A., Jr.	Ord	1909-15	1901-03, 1917 <sup>5</sup>
Olmstead, Fred D.	Hastings		1885-87, 89-91
Olmstead, Robert H.	Omaha		1899-1901
Olson, C.O.	Holdrege		1901-03
Olson, L.W.	Orleans		1917-19
Olson, P.B.	Malmo		1891-95

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O'Malley, George W.....	Greeley .....		1923-35
O'Malley, Michael H.....	Alda .....		1913-15
O'Neill, Hugh.....	Chelsea.....	1899-1901	
O'Neill, Richard.....	Lincoln.....	1901-05	
Orr, Charles W.....	Craig, Lyons.....		1915-17, 23-25
Orton, Stephen W.....	Weeping Water.....		1895-97
Osborn, John M.....	Pawnee City.....	1897-99	
Osborn, L.W.....	Blair.....	1873-75	
Osborne, Thomas C. <sup>11</sup> .....	Bayard.....	1923-25	
Osgood, Charles E.....	North Platte.....		1885-87
Osterman, Edwin T.....	Central City.....		1935-37
Osterman, Theodore M.....	Central City.....	1927-29	1915-25
O'Sullivan, P.F.....	West Point.....		1889-91
Otteman, George F.....	Hooper.....		1923-27
Otterstein, Ludwig.....	West Point.....	1879-81	
Ough, Dan L.....	Benkleman.....		1925-33
Overbeck, C.F.....	Beatrice.....		1931-35
Overton, John.....	Otoe County.....		1871-73
Overton, Nelson.....	Nebraska City.....		1881-83, 87-89
Owen, John.....	Omaha.....		1933-35
Owen, Samuel G.....	Lincoln.....		1873-75, 79-81
Owens, Claire E.....	Exeter.....		1931-33, 35-37
Owens, Eldridge D.....	Cozad.....	1899-1903	
Packwood, Samuel.....	Creighton.....	1893-95	
Paddock, Joseph W.....	Douglas County.....		1866 <sup>1</sup> -67
Page, B.W.....	Middleburg.....		1877-79
Palmer, A.S.....	Ponca.....		1881-85
Palmer, Edward W.....	Omaha.....		1921-23
Palmer, Harrison C.....	Clay Center.....		1913-15
Palmer, J.P.....	Omaha.....		1915-17
Palmer, Joshua.....	Friendville.....		1883-85
Parchen, William.....	Richardson County.....		1866 <sup>1</sup> -67
Park, Robert H.....	Yutan.....		1921-23
Parker, C.M.....	Lincoln.....		1919 <sup>4</sup>
Parker, Ed.....	Lone Tree.....		1873-75
Parker, Henry C.....	St. Paul.....		1891-93
Parker, S.M.....	Palmyra.....		1905-07
Parker, T.B.....	Dorchester.....		1877-79
Parkinson, William T.....	Pawnee City.....		1915-19, 23-25, 29-31
Parmelee, Daniel S.....	Douglas County.....		1867 <sup>2</sup> -71
Parriott, W.C.....	Auburn.....		1915-17
Parrish, Watson.....	Tekamah.....		1869-71
Parry, John M.....	Syracuse.....		1881-83
Paschal, Joseph L.....	Columbus.....	1901-03	
Patrick, J.N.H.....	Waterloo.....	1867 <sup>2</sup> -69	
Patrick, J.W.....	Nebraska City.....		1873-75
Patrick, W.R.....	Papillion.....	1907-09	
Pattavina, Carl F.....	Omaha.....		1933-35

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Name	Residence	Senate	House
Patterson, James M.	Plattsmouth	1883-85	1871-73
Patterson, Samuel M.	Alma		1915-17
Pattison, Leander W.	Richardson County		1870 <sup>6</sup> -71
Patton, J.A.	Fremont	1929-31	
Patton, William M.	Humboldt		1879-81
Paul, James N.	St. Paul	1885-87	1877-79
Paulsen, John T.	Omaha	1889-91	
Paxton, William A.	Omaha	1889-91	1881-83
Payne, Robert	Nebraska City		1883-85
Peabody, V.P.	Nemaha		1882 <sup>6</sup> -83, 1905-07
Pearson, James	Moorefield		1913-15
Peck, E.T.	Falls City		1931-33
Peck, W.W.	Inez		1899-1901
Pedersen, Henry	Guide Rock	1931-35 <sup>5</sup>	
Pedrett, Jacob	Kimball		1929-31
Peisiger, L.C.	Blue Hill		1901-03
Pemberton, L.M.	Beatrice	1903-05	
Pemberton, William J.	Reynolds		1887-89
Pepoon, Theodore W.	Table Rock	1877-79	
Perigo, Eugene	Scottsbluff		1935-37
Perkins, Edward D.	McCook		1921-23
Perkins, George A.	Fairmont		1905-07
Perkins, J.M.	Fairmont		1895-97
Perkins, J.W.	Niobrara	1881-83	
Perky, H.D.	Wahoo	1875-77	
Perry, E.B.	Cambridge		1903-07
Peters, Ben L.	Albion		1933-35
Peters, John	Albion		1887-89
Peterson, Andrew M.	Peterson		1881-83
Peterson, C. Petrus <sup>11</sup>	Lincoln	1919-21	1915-19
Peterson, Edward W.	Tekamah		1885-87
Peterson, Ernest W.	Axtell		1921-25, 27-31
Peterson, J.E.	Campbell	1905-07	
Peterson, John B. <sup>11</sup>	Ashland		1935-37
Peterson, P.R.	Lexington	1933-35	
Phelps, C.W.	Stratton		1897-99
Phillips, F.W.	Star	1907-09	
Phillips, Rolo O.	Lincoln		1877-79
Pickens, Wes.	Powell	1911-13	1909-11
Pickett, Henry	Wahoo	1921-23	
Pickett, T.J., Jr.	Ashland	1889-91	
Pierce, C.W.	Waverly	1881 <sup>10</sup>	
Pilger, Adam	Stanton		1907-11, 13-15
Piller, Reinhold E.	Millerton	1915-17	
Pinney, N.R.	Nebraska City		1875-77
Pitney, Clyde G.	Inavale		1925-29, 33-35
Pitney, O.R.	Inavale	1901-03	
Pitzer, William H.	Nebraska City	1931-33	

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Name	Residence	Senate	House
Pizer, Harry L. <sup>11</sup>	North Platte		1935-37
Placek, Emil Edwin	Wahoo	1911-15	
Plumbeck, George	Millet		1879-81
Pohlman, John H.	Johnson		1891-93, 95-97
Polk, John F.	Louisville		1879-81
Polk, Milton D.	Plattsmouth	1889-91	
Pollard, Ernest M.	Nehawka		1897-1901
Pollard, J.M.	Riverton		1923-25
Pollock, Fay H.	Omaha		1925-27
Pollock, J.W.	Wisner		1877-79
Pollock, William A.	Brownville		1866 <sup>1</sup> -67, 79-81
Pool, Charles W.	Tecumseh		1909-11
Pope, John Dudley	Friend	1889-91, 93-97	
Porter, DeForest	Nemaha County		1871-73
Porter, George C.	Omaha		1919-21
Porter, John Washington	Albion		1927-29, 31-33, 35-37
Porter, Nathan S.	Cedar, Dakota, Dixon, L'Eau qui Court counties	1866 <sup>1</sup> -67, 69-71	
Porter, W.F.	Clarks		1891-95
Pospisil, John J.	Weston		1905-07
Post, Mark F.	Monowi		1905-07
Potter, R.K.	Elm Creek		1889-91
Pottinger, Willett	Butler, Cass, Sarpy, Saunders, Seward counties	1871 <sup>7c</sup>	
Potts, George W.	DuBois		1911-15
Pound, Stephen B.	Lincoln	1873-75	
Powers, Isaac, Jr.	Dakota City	1877-79, 81-83	
Poynter, William A.	Albion	1891-93	1885-87
Pratt, C.E.	Hastings		1933 <sup>6</sup> -35
Presson, William A.	Richardson County	1867 <sup>2</sup> -69	
Preston, James	Dakota County		1867-69
Price, F.O.	Thayer	1935-37	1929-33
Price, M.S.	Howard		1879-81
Prince, F.P.	Madison		1897-99
Prince, Willard A.	Grand Island	1927-29	1899-1901, 11-13
Pritchett, George E.	Omaha		1877-79
Proskocil, J.K.	Omaha		1935-37
Prout, F.N.	Beatrice	1899-1901	
Puls, W.H.	Murray		1911-13
Purcell, Emerson R.	Broken Bow	1923-29	1919-21
Purdy, Watson L.	Madison	1933-35	1919-21
Purinton, David E.	Alliance		1927-29
Purnell, Charles	Madrid		1891-93
Putnam, C.B.	Butte		1931-33
Putnam, F.C.	Alvin	1885-87	
Putney, W.G.	Cedar Bluffs, Wahoo		1929-33, 35-37
Putney, W.W.	Oakdale		1881-83

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Name	Residence	Senate	House
Quackenbush, Edmund B.	Auburn		1907-09, 11-13
Quade, William H.	Stapleton		1922 <sup>6</sup> -23
Queen, James	Lancaster, Saunders, Seward counties		1866 <sup>1</sup> -67
Quiggle, Charles C.	Lincoln		1913-15
Quimby, D.J.	Cedar, Dixon, L'Eau qui Court counties		1871-73
Quinby, Laurie J.	Omaha	1915-17	
Quinn, James E.	Elkhorn, Valley		1923-25, 35 <sup>6</sup> -37
Raasch, Obed	Norfolk		1923-35
Radke, Franz C.	Wynot		1917-19
Raines, Robert F.	Red Cloud		1909-11
Ramey, D.M.	Wilber		1883-85
Ramsey, J.H.	Filley		1903-05
Randall, Charles A.	Newman Grove	1907-11	
Randall, Charles H.	Randolph	1919-23	
Randall, H.L.	Holdrege	1891-93	
Randall, O.C.	Holdrege		1929-33
Randall, William L.	Omaha	1929-33	1921-23
Randall, William S.	Fairfield		1887-89
Rank, W.W.	Grand Island		1921-23
Ranney, H.D.	Blue Hill		1883-85
Ransom, Frank T.	Nebraska City, Omaha	1889-91, 97-99, 1901-03, 09-11	1881-83
Raper, W.B.	Pawnee City		1907-11
Rasdal, M.E.	Ogallala		1935-37
Ratcliff, J.F.	Trenton		1933-37
Ratcliff, James R.	Central City		1883-85
Rathbun, F.M.	Cambridge	1895-97	
Rathmann, Christian	Washington County		1869-71
Rathsack, W.A.	Schuyler		1909-11
Raymond, Isaac M.	Lincoln	1889-91	1887-89
Raymond, L.L.	Scottsbluff	1909-11	
Rayner, H. St.	Sidney		1889-91
Reader, Frank E.	Kimball		1925-27
Reagan, John E.	Omaha	1911-13	
Ream, James D.	Broken Bow		1901-03
Reavis, Isham	Nemaha, Richardson counties		1869 <sup>5</sup>
Redman, Herman A.	Kenesaw		1901-03
Redmond, W.D.	Peru		1907-09
Reece, Charles S.	Simeon		1923-27, 31-33
Reed, C.C.	Vesta		1903-05
Reed, Charles S.	Logan		1921 <sup>5</sup>
Reed, Edward S.	Otoe County		1866 <sup>1</sup> -67
Reed, Eugene L.	Cass, Saunders counties	1870 <sup>6</sup> -71	
Reed, George C.	Orleans		1881-83
Reed, James E. <sup>11</sup>	Havelock		1931-37
Reed, Lewis S.	Douglas County		1871-73

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Reed, Perry A.C.	Henderson	1919-33	1917-19
Reeves, Mills S.	Otoe County	1867 <sup>2</sup> -69	
Regan, Richard C. <sup>11</sup>	Columbus, Platte Center	1935-37	1911-17 <sup>5</sup> , 23-33
Reifenrath, J.H.	Crofton	1923-25	1915-19
Reilly, J.W.	Rosalie		1935-37
Reis, A.	North Platte		1877-79
Reische, Harry E.	Chadron		1913-15
Reisner, F.A.	Theford		1915-17 <sup>5</sup>
Rejcha, F.	Hallam		1907-09
Remington, D.D.	Bee		1895-97
Reneker, George W.	Falls City		1917-19, 21-23, 27-31
Renkel, W.F.	Inavale		1907-09
Reuter, F.A.	Syracuse		1913-17, 33-37
Reuting, Henry	Saronville	1901-03	
Reyman, M.B.	Grant		1881-83
Reynolds, B.W.	Fremont	1903-05	
Reynolds, John D. <sup>11</sup>	Niobrara	1935-37	
Reynolds, S.S.	David City	1883-85	
Reynolds, Scott	North Platte		1915-19, 23-25
Reynolds, Victor D.	Omaha	1927-29	1919-21
Reynolds, W.H.	Chadron	1899-1901, 1911-15	
Reynolds, William A.	Indianola		1913-17
Rhea, Robert C.	Milford		1893-95
Rhoades, Herbert	Tekamah	1922 <sup>6</sup> -23	
Rhodes, H.F.	Yale, Ord		1893-97
Rhodes, Hinman	Tecumseh		1869-73
Rhodes, Julius	Pawnee City		1889-91
Ribble, Curtis W.	DeWitt		1903-05
Rice, Alonzo E.	Stuart		1885-87
Rich, Edson	Omaha		1897-99
Rich, H.M.	Fairbury	1883-85	
Rich, S.M.	Nemaha County	1866 <sup>1</sup> -67	
Richards, C.L.	Hebron		1895-97
Richards, J.E.W.	Arapahoe		1933-37
Richardson, Arthur W.	Lincoln		1913-15
Richardson, F.W.	Battle Creek		1895-97, 1905-07
Richardson, L.O.	Orafino		1907-09
Richmond, Henry C.	Omaha		1915-17 <sup>5</sup>
Rickard, Murray F.	Guide Rock	1921-25, 29-31	1917-21
Ricketts, M.O.	Omaha		1893-97
Rief, Charles	Grand Island		1887-89
Rieschick, W.F.	Falls City		1915-19
Riggs, J.H.	Waterloo		1903-05
Riha, Frank J.	Omaha		1911-13
Riley, Austin	Lawrence, Rosemont		1891-95
Riley, James E.	Omaha		1885-87
Rine, John A.	Omaha		1918 <sup>6</sup> -19

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Riordan, H.C.	Washington County		1871-73
Ritchie, C.A.	Gresham		1909-11
Ritchie, William E.	Ulysses	1897-99	1891-93
Robb, F.W.	Wyoming		1877-79
Robb, Washington	Talmage		1889-91
Robberts, J.C.	David City		1881-85
Robbins, A.M.	Ord	1887-89	
Robbins, John W.	Omaha	1919-29	
Robbins, W.E.	Cortland		1903-07
Roberts, A.	Butler, Saunders, Seward counties		1871-73
Roberts, E.W.	Holdrege		1909-13
Roberts, John Fitz	Omaha, South Omaha	1897 <sup>7</sup> -99	
Roberts, Joseph	Fremont		1903-07
Robertson, John A.	Joy	1913-19, 25-27	1895-99
Robertson, Millard M.	Omaha		1921-23
Robertson, Simon P.	Brock		1885-87
Robertson, Theodore H.	Sarpy County		1866 <sup>1</sup> -67
Robinson, Charles S.	Midvale		1893-95
Robinson, J.C.	Hartington	1889-91	
Robinson, John F.	Stanton		1885-87
Robinson, W.D.	Lincoln		1895-97
Roche, John J.	Neligh	1889-91	1883-85
Rocke, Jacob	Hickman	1899-1901	
Rockwell, Austin	Burt, Cuming counties		1867 <sup>2</sup> -69
Rockwell, Will H.	South Sioux City		1929-31
Roddy, Patrick	Nebraska City		1895-99
Rodman, James A.	Kimball, Omaha	1929-33	1919-23, 25-29
Rogers, E.H.	Dodge County	1867 <sup>2</sup> -69	
Rogers, Josiah	Syracuse	1883-85	
Rohan, P.F.	Newcastle		1891-93
Rohlf, Ervin E.	Omaha		1931-35
Rohr, R.H.	Arapahoe		1879-81
Rohrer, Jacob J.	Friend		1905-09
Rohwer, Henry	Fort Calhoun		1901-03
Rolfe, DeForest P.	Otoe County		1867 <sup>2,5</sup>
Roll, J.F.	Ithaca		1875-77
Root, Anderson	Murray		1885-87
Root, H.D.	Greenwood		1881-83
Root, Jesse L.	Plattsmouth	1907-09	
Roper, Fordyce E.	Gage County		1870 <sup>6</sup> -71
Roper, W.B.	Pawnee County		1876 <sup>6</sup> -77
Rosewater, Edward	Omaha		1871-73
Rossiter, Edgar	DeWitt		1925-26 <sup>4</sup>
Rost, John A.	Axtell		1919-21
Rothleutner, Frank	Kilgore		1895-97
Rothwell, S.J.	Omaha	1933-35	
Rourke, James F.	Grand Island		1923-25
Rouse, George L.	Alda		1895-1901, 03-07

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Name	Residence	Senate	House
Rouse, John P.	Cass County		1871-73, 76 <sup>6</sup> -77
Ruddy, Michael V.	Albion		1919 <sup>5</sup> , 21-23
Ruden, Charles	Crofton	1915-17	
Rudisill, Lewis C.	Benkelman		1913 <sup>6</sup> -17
Ruggles, L.G.	Hiawatha		1891-95
Rundle, Frank C.	Aurora		1925-31
Runyan, Milton M.	Rescue		1877-79
Russell, Byron P.	Ord		1885-87
Russell, Carson	McCook		1927-31
Russell, Henry C.	Schuyler		1887-89
Russell, W.J.	York		1883-85
Rustin, Charles B.	Omaha	1875-77	
Ryan, T.C.	Columbus		1879-81
Ryan, William M.	Douglas County		1871-73
Saberson, S.	Allen		1909-11
Sackett, Harry E.	Beatrice	1907-09	
Saddler, W.G.	Juniata		1903-07
Sadilek, F.J.	Wilber		1883-85
Sadler, S.	Hastings		1877-79
Sagl, Anton	Wilber		1911-13
St. Clair, W.P.P.	Ogallala		1877-79
Sallander, E.F.	Omaha		1935-37
Samuelson, C.E.	Hildreth	1917-19	
Sanborn, C.W.	Gretna		1911-13
Sandall, Andrew L.	York		1899-1903
Sandall, C.E.	York	1915-19	
Sanden, H.E.	Omaha	1933-35	
Sanders, Daniel C.	Nemaha County		1866 <sup>1</sup> -67
Sanders, William A.	Ashland	1891-95	
Sandquist, Walter	Walthill		1919-23
Sang, Charles	Fremont	1883-85	
Sargent, J.E.	Macon		1889-91
Sass, Jacob	Chalco		1915-19
Satchell, Nicholas M.	Weeping Water		1887-91
Saunders, Charles L.	Omaha	1903-09, 13-17, 19-25	
Saunders, George W.	Bazile Mills		1907-09
Saunders, John D.	Kearney		1929-31
Saunders, Sherman	Bloomfield	1895-97	
Savage, E.P.	Custer		1883-85
Sawyer, A.J.	Lincoln	1917-19	
Schaal, William D.	Springfield	1897-1901	
Schaible, M.J.	Falls City		1899-1901
Schappel, Charles A.	Pawnee City		1891-95
Schaupp, Frederick W.	Virginia		1913-15
Scheele, Henry	Utica		1909-13
Schelp, William	Platte Center		1891-95
Schepman, Henry F.	Falls City, Tecumseh	1929-33	1925-27
Schepman, William J.	Tecumseh		1935-37

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Name	Residence	Senate	House
Schick, T.L.	Brownville		1881 <sup>10</sup>
Schickedantz, Harry	St. Paul		1895-97
Schinstock, Chris	West Point		1903-05
Schinstock, Henry	West Point		1901-03
Schlentz, Peter N.	David City		1927-29, 31-33
Schlotfeldt, Henry	Grand Island		1891-95
Schmidt, John O.	Wahoo		1919-21
Schminke, Paul	Nebraska City	1887-89	1873-75, 77-79
Schneider, R.A.	Omaha		1917-19
Schneringer, Mark E.	Callaway		1923 <sup>5</sup>
Schock, Henry	Richardson County		1871-73
Schoenheit, Augustus	Falls City	1883-85	
Schoenrock, A.C.	Gladstone		1935-37
Schoettger, H.D.	Fontanelle		1907-11
Schram, C.W.	Newcastle		1897 <sup>4</sup>
Schram, Sidney	Surprise	1891-93	
Schroeder, Charles	Platte		1883-85
Schroeder, Martin	Bloomfield		1935-37
Schueth, Charles	Humphrey		1911-15
Schultz, O. Edwin <sup>11</sup>	Elgin	1935-37	
Schwab, D.F.	Lebanon		1917-19
Schwab, Henry	Hooper		1887-89
Scilley, Hugh	Leavitt		1905-07
Scofield, Gilbert B.	Otoe County	1872 <sup>6</sup> -73	
Scott, A.R.	Falls City	1893-95	
Scott, Andrew	Pawnee City		1899-1903
Scott, Andrew J.	Kearney		1893-97
Scott, J.P.	Willow Creek		1881-83
Scott, Perlee W.	McCook	1925-33	
Scott, Robert M.	Cozad		1891-93
Scott, Thaddeus M.	Aurora		1913-17
Scott, W.D.	Rulo	1873-75	
Scott, William T.	York		1879-81
Scoville, D.A.	Aurora, Phillips	1879-81	1889-91
Scoville, Frank A.	Valparaiso		1885-87
Scudder, A.L.	Doniphan, Grand Island		1907-09, 15-19
Seaman, John D.	Kearney	1879-81	
Searle, Edwin M., Sr.	Ogallala		1913-15
Sears, Charles W.	Omaha	1919-21	
Sears, Fred A.	Grand Island		1881-83
Sears, William G.	Tekamah		1901-05
Seed, Adam	Beaver Crossing		1889-91
Seeley, John C.	Scribner		1875-77
Segelke, Charles F.	Columbus		1917-19
Selden, Perry	Herman		1877-79
Selleck, William A.	Lincoln	1911-13	
Sessions, Milan H.	Lancaster		1873-75, 79-81, 83-85
Severe, O.A.	Palmyra		1897-99

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Name	Residence	Senate	House
Severin, F.C.	Cortland		1889-93
Seybolt, George L.	Cass County		1869-71
Shaffer, Norman E.	Hooper		1917-19
Shamp, Jerome	Lincoln		1887-89
Shanner, L.T.	Inman	1889-91	
Shannon, John J.	Omaha		1917-19
Shea, John C.	Omaha	1891-93	
Shedd, H.H.	Ashland		1881-83
Shelby, P.P.	Omaha		1877-79
Sheldon, Addison E.	Chadron		1897-99
Sheldon, B.W.	Ogallala		1931-35
Sheldon, George L.	Nehawka	1903-07	
Sheldon, Lawson	Nehawka	1867 <sup>2</sup> -69, 71-73	
Shellenbarger, H.B.	Stamford	1923-29	
Shelley, B.Y.	Niobrara		1879-81
Shellhorn, E.J.	University Place		1901-03
Shelly, Thomas C.	Omaha		1903-05
Shephard, George W.	Mead		1889-91
Sheridan, I.A.	Indianola		1893-95
Sherwin, John E.	Fremont	1885-89	
Shipley, Joseph	West Point		1891-93
Shipley, Marion E.	Hooper		1913-15
Shipley, W.	Palisade		1903-05
Shoemaker, W.S.	Omaha		1909-13
Shook, George R.	Nemaha County	1873-75	1869-73
Shook, John H.	Barada		1895-97
Shore, J.H.	Valentine		1899-1901
Shrader, C.D.	Logan		1891-93
Shreck, George	York	1905-07	
Shryock, W.B.	Louisville		1891-93
Shubert, J.F.	Shubert		1907-09
Shull, J.C.	Auburn		1897-99
Shumway, Herbert P.	Wakefield	1891-93, 1913-17	
Sibley, C.A.	Curtis	1907-09	
Siecke, C.L.	Wisner		1899-1901
Sievers, C.E.	Snyder		1915-17
Sill, J.A.	Fremont		1881-83
Silver, H.H.	Silver		1881-83
Siman, Harry E.	Winside	1919-21	
Simanek, Thomas	Plasi		1887-89
Simms, Benjamin M.	Alma		1887-89
Simon, Edward	Omaha		1913-15
Simonton, R.N.	Nelson		1879-81
Sinclair, John	Burr		1893-95
Sindelar, J.B.	Howells		1911-19
Singleton, John Andrew	Omaha		1927-29
Sink, John W.	Grand Island		1909-13
Sisson, Edwin F.	Arizona		1893-97
Skeen, Ben T.	Auburn, Brownville		1909-13, 25-29

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Name	Residence	Senate	House
Skiles, Charles McClellan	David City	1911-13	
Skinner, J.B.	Hardy	1885-87	
Slader, Dean C.	Washington County		1867 <sup>2</sup> -69
Slater, August B.	Wayne		1887-89
Slaymaker, Edward Owen	Stuart		1927-29, 31-35
Slepicka, Alois <sup>11</sup>	Wilber	1935-37	
Sloan, Charles H.	Geneva	1895-97	
Sloan, Robert J.	Geneva	1903-05	
Slocumb, Charles B.	Fairbury		1879-83
Sloup, Adam	Omaha		1929 <sup>4</sup>
Sloup, Barbara	Omaha		1930 <sup>6</sup> -31
Small, James W.	Fairfield		1877-79
Smallwood, James W.	North Platte		1929-35
Smelser, H.	Ashton		1905-07
Smiley, Erle B.	Seward		1923-25
Smith, Adon O.	Bassett		1919-21
Smith, Alva	Waverly	1885-87	
Smith, Aubrey A.	St. Edward	1911-13	1907-09
Smith, B.K.	St. Edward	1881-83	
Smith, Charles	Sabetha		1899-1901
Smith, Charles C.	Exeter	1911-13	
Smith, D.	Elmwood		1909-11
Smith, Dudley	Omaha		1897-99
Smith, Edward A.	Omaha		1913-15, 21-25, 31-33
Smith, G.F.	Ewing		1893-97
Smith, George L.	Ulysses		1899-1901
Smith, George N.	Kearney	1891-95	
Smith, H.L.	Geneva	1885-87	
Smith, H.M.	Friend		1899-1901
Smith, Hanford O.	Plum Creek		1885-87
Smith, Herschel V.	Tobias		1903-05
Smith, J.D.	Sarpy County		1866 <sup>1</sup> -67, 69 <sup>8</sup>
Smith, J.E.	Guide Rock		1877-81
Smith, J.F.S.	Elgin	1899-1901	
Smith, James	Friend		1891-93
Smith, Julius	Salem		1893-95, 97-99
Smith, Richard	Omaha	1895-97	
Smith, Robert A.	Tekamah		1905-07
Smith, Roscoe R.	Albion		1911-13
Smith, Theodore	Tecumseh		1893-95
Smith, William A.	Beemer		1915-17
Smith, William H.	Seward	1913-15	
Smithberger, Louis	Stanton		1899-1903
Smrha, Charles	Milligan	1923-25, 27-29	
Smyth, Constantine J.	Omaha		1887-89
Snell, W.H.	Fairbury	1885-89	
Snow, George C.	Chadron		1919-23
Snyder, Adam	Omaha		1889-91

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Name	Residence	Senate	House
Snyder, D.C.	Elk Creek		1897-99
Snyder, J. Carleton	Hastings		1913-17
Snyder, J.M.	Verdurette		1897-99
Snyder, Joseph	Alma		1907-11
Soderman, E.	Bertrand		1891-99
Soderstrom, Ralph	Kearney		1935-37
Softley, Alfred	Fremont		1935-37
Somerhalder, H.J.	Guide Rock		1935-37
Somers, W.H.	Lancaster County		1876 <sup>6</sup> -77
Sommerlad, Henry W.	Richardson County		1866 <sup>1,3,7a</sup> -67, 71-73
Sommerlad, Philip A.	Lincoln		1921-23
Soost, William	Magnet	1917-19	
Sorensen, Rudolph	Ord		1915-17
Sorenson, E.H.	St. Paul		1931-33
Sowers, A.H.	Hastings	1883-87	
Spackman, E.B.	Fullerton		1895-97
Spanogle, A.J.	Hamilton		1883-85
Sparks, J.W.	Merrick County		1879-81
Sparks, John	Beatrice		1879-81
Spaun, Jacob S.	Omaha	1875 <sup>9</sup>	
Specht, Christian	Omaha		1889 <sup>7k</sup> -91
Speice, Charles A.	Platte County		1869-71
Spellman, Henry	Centerville		1877-79
Spence, L.D.	Crab Orchard		1929-33
Spencer, Alvin D.	Barneston	1915-17	1901-03, 27-31
Spencer, Edson R.	Firth	1897-99	1893-97
Spencer, John T.	Dakota City	1885-87	
Spicknall, William R.	Tecumseh		1877-79
Spier, S.S.	Odell		1903-05
Spirk, Emanuel J.	Wilber	1913-19	
Spohn, George J.	Superior	1899-1901	
Sprague, Leon A.	Red Cloud	1935 <sup>6</sup> -37	
Sprecher, John C.	Schuyler	1895-97	1901-03
Sprick, Albert W.	Fontanelle		1921-23, 27-33
Sprick, Henry	Fontanelle	1887-89	1873-75, 77-79, 81-83
Springer, E.F.	Gering		1907-09
Springer, H.M.	Mitchell	1931-33	
Spurlock, George M.	Plattsmouth		1903-05
Srb, Hugo F.	Dodge	1931-35	
Sroat, George W.	Otoe County		1867 <sup>6</sup> -69
Staats, George F.	Fremont		1919-31
Stalder, A.E.	Humboldt		1907-09
Starbuck, Jesse	Hebron	1891-93	
Stark, Marjorie G.	Norfolk		1935-37
Starrett, S.B.	Tecumseh		1879-81
Startzter, Samuel	Papillion		1903-05
Staver, Hugh Q.	Salem		1885-87

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Name	Residence	Senate	House
Stearns, Frank E.	Scottsbluff		1913-19
Stebbins, John	Shelton		1891-93
Stebbins, Lucien	North Platte		1897-99
Stebbins, Willis M.	Gothenburg		1911-17
Stedman, E.J.	Unadilla		1909-11
Stedwell, Abram	Buffalo		1883-85
Steele, Calvin F.	Fairbury	1897-1903	
Steele, George M.	Theftord		1919 <sup>6</sup> -20 <sup>4</sup>
Steele, J.S.	Kimball		1931-33, 35-37
Steever, Amon	Polk		1883-85
Steinauer, N.A.	Steinauer		1907-09
Steinman, Henry	Nemaha County		1869-71
Steinmeyer, George W.	Beatrice, Holmesville		1915-17
Steinmeyer, Henry	Clatonia		1901-03
Stephen, James	Central City		1913-15
Stephenson, D.V.	Richardson		1883-85
Stephenson, David	Fullerton		1921-23, 25-27
Sternsdorff, George J.	Omaha		1891-93
Stetson, Delbert A.	Western		1903-07
Steuteville, J.H.	Bridgeport		1931-37
Stevens, A.D.	Strang		1891-93
Stevens, Harry P.	Bignell		1913-15
Stevens, Henry	Genoa		1891-93
Stevens, J.K.	North Platte	1891-93	
Stevens, John	Edison		1891-95
Stevenson, Oliver	Otoe County	1866 <sup>1</sup> -67	
Stevenson, R.F.	West Point		1873-75
Stevenson, Thomas	Loretto		1915-17
Stevenson, Thomas B.	Nebraska City	1869-71	1885-87
Steward, John B.	Benedict		1891-93
Stewart, Alexander S.	Clay, Gage, Johnson, Jones, Pawnee counties	1866 <sup>1</sup> -67	1869-71
Stewart, Cloyd L.	Clay Center	1933-35 <sup>5</sup>	
Stewart, H.G.	Crawford		1893-97
Stibal, Thomas	Schuyler		1923-25
Stinson, Allen S.	Niobrara		1927-31
Stirk, J.W.	Battle Creek		1889-91
Stirling, James H.	Exeter	1887-89	1885-87
Stockwell, H.M.	Clearwater		1901-03
Stoecker, W.F.	Omaha		1909-11
Stolz, J.P.	Milford		1907-09
Stone, Bernard R.	Omaha		1925-27
Stone, George A.	Rulo	1879-81	
Stone, Isaac	Fillmore		1879-81
Storm, John D.	Peru		1891-93
Story, George Matthew	Plainview		1927-33
Stouffer, B.R.	Humboldt		1879-81
Stout, Richard F.	Lincoln		1919 <sup>6</sup> -21
Stout, W.H.B.	Washington County		1869-71

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Straub, Vincent	Berlin		1897-99
Stream, Mahlon B.	York		1917-19
Strehlow, R.C.	Omaha	1917-19	
Strehlow, Robert	Omaha		1923-25
Stringfellow, J.I.	Oakdale		1931-36 <sup>4</sup>
Strong, Allen A. <sup>11</sup>	Gordon		1933-37
Strong, David E.	Ord		1919-23
Stuefer, William	West Point	1895-97	
Stuhr, Leo B.	Grand Island		1917-19
Sturdevant, Brantly E.	Atkinson	1923-25	1919-23
Sturgess, Thomas F.	Omaha		1899-1901
Sturm, Andrew F.	Nehawka	1919-23	
Suessenbach, Henry	Douglas		1883-85
Sugarman, Martin L.	Omaha		1913-15
Sullenberger, Dayton	Chadron		1935-37
Sullenberger, O.P.	Ponca	1879-81	
Sullivan, George T.	Omaha	1935-37	
Sullivan, John J.	Columbus		1887-89
Summers, J. Frank	Beatrice		1935-37
Suter, Lewis H.	Neligh		1893-97
Sutherland, J.R.	Tekamah	1889-91	
Sutherland, Webster J.	Schuyler		1885-87
Sutton, A.L.	South Omaha		1893-97
Sutton, A. Lincoln	Omaha		1935-37
Sutton, William	Table Rock		1895-99
Svoboda, C.V.	St. Paul		1923-25
Swan, H.N.	Fairmont		1909-13
Swan, John T.	Auburn		1899-1901
Swanson, Daniel	Fremont		1901-03
Swanson, H.A.	Clay Center		1917-19
Swanson, John	St. Edward	1919-21	
Swartsley, John C.	Columbus		1889-91
Swearingen, Joseph	Seward		1883-85
Sweet, Franklin	Clarks		1887-91
Sweezy, F.A.	Blue Hill		1903-05
Switzer, Simon W.	Kearney		1877-79
Switzler, Warren	Omaha	1891-93	
Sykes, Tracy P.	Hastings	1897-99	
Taggart, F.D.	Hastings	1889-91	
Taggart, Robert M.	Palmyra		1885-87
Talbot, A.R.	Lincoln	1897-1901	
Talbot, J.W.	David City		1907-09
Talbot, J.W.	Otoe County		1869-71
Talbot, William R.	Newcastle		1925-27
Talcott, J.M.	Crofton	1911-15	1909-11
Tanner, J.W.	Fullerton		1899-1903
Tanner, John M.	Omaha, South Omaha	1909-13, 17-21	
Taylor, A.B.	York		1909-11
Taylor, E.B.	Douglas County	1869-71	

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Name	Residence	Senate	House
Taylor, Frank H.	Table Rock		1925-29
Taylor, Frank M.	Graf		1891-93
Taylor, H.G.	Central City		1911-13
Taylor, John H.	Waterloo		1897 <sup>7</sup> -99
Taylor, Lloyd O.	Stockville		1919-21
Taylor, S.B.	Blair	1881-83	
Taylor, W.H.	Brainard		1891-93
Taylor, W.J.	Merna	1919-21	1899-1903, 09-11, 15-19
Taylor, W.M.	Almeria	1891-93	
Taylor, William H.	Exeter		1897-1901
Taylor, William Z.	Culbertson		1883-87, 1909-13 <sup>4</sup>
Tefft, C.R.	Lincoln		1901-03
Tefft, Orlando	Avoca	1879-83, 93-97	
TenEyck, W.B.	Omaha		1903-05
Tennant, A.W.	Cedar, Cuming, Dixon, Dodge, L'Eau qui Court, Stanton counties	1871-73	
Tesar, Lad V.	Omaha	1927-29	1925-27
Tesar, Rudolph	Omaha		1931-35
Thatch, S.H.	Norfolk	1883-85	
Thatcher, A.B.	Butte		1923-25
Thielen, Charles	Humphrey	1923-25	
Thiessen, John P.	Jansen		1907-11
Thomas, A.N.	Aurora		1895-97
Thomas, B.F.	Omaha	1905-09	
Thomas, E.W.	Nemaha County	1871-73	
Thomas, George H.	Schuyler		1885-87
Thomas, George P.	Burt, Cuming counties		1866 <sup>1</sup> -67
Thomas, Ira	Oakland		1883-85
Thomas, James W.	Weeping Water		1885-87
Thomas, Lloyd C.	Alliance		1917-19
Thomas, Ray <sup>11</sup>	Clay Center		1935-37
Thomas, S.L.	Plattsmouth	1891-93	
Thomas, Walter P.	Omaha		1909-11
Thompson, Asad L.	Steele City		1885-87
Thompson, Don L.	McCook		1935-37
Thompson, F.A.	Clay Center		1899-1901
Thompson, James F.	University Place		1919-21
Thompson, John J.	Bell Creek		1879-81
Thompson, M.J.	St. Edward		1883-85
Thompson, Oscar R.	Wisner	1909-11	1905-07
Thompson, Reese B.	Cowles		1921-23
Thompson, Richard A.	Wisner		1879-81
Thompson, W.T.	Central City		1899-1901, 03-05
Thomsen, John	Fremont	1893-95	
Thomson, R.M.	Ravenna	1907-09	
Thomssen, John	Alda		1923-29

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Name	Residence	Senate	House
Thomssen, William	Grand Island		1901-03
Thorne, James	Otoe County		1866 <sup>1</sup> -67
Thorne, W.E.	Bladen	1907-09	
Thornton, Samuel W.	Prairie Center		1887-89
Thorpe, William P.	Burwell		1903-05
Thummel, George H.	Grand Island	1877-79	
Thurston, John M.	Omaha		1875 <sup>9</sup>
Tibbets, Albert B.	Hastings		1915-17
Tibbets, George W.	Hastings	1909-13	
Timme, Herman	Bennington		1895-97
Timme, Herman C.	Omaha		1923 <sup>4</sup>
Tingle, Albert H.	Bassett		1887-89
Tisdell, Delos A.	Richardson County	1866 <sup>1</sup> -67	1869 <sup>8</sup>
Todd, Levi G.	Union		1917-19
Tomblin, D.M.	Furnas County		1882 <sup>6</sup> -83
Tomek, Phillip A.	David City	1923-25	1930 <sup>6</sup> -31
Tomlin, John H.	Nebraska City		1875-77
Tooley, C.S.	Broken Bow	1931 <sup>4</sup>	
Tooley, J.J.	Broken Bow		1903-05
Tower, Lyman H.	Hastings		1883-85
Towle, A.L.	Niobrara		1889-91
Towle, Earl	Weeping Water		1925-27
Towle, Edward S.	Falls City		1873-77
Town, W.A.	Belvidere		1883-85
Townsend, Oliver	Gage, Jones counties		1867-69
Tracewell, George E.	Valentine		1917-21, 30 <sup>6</sup> -31
Tracey, John	North Platte		1887-89
Trask, I.N.	Geneva	1903-05	
Trompen, John J.	Hickman	1901-03	
Troup, Alexander C.	Omaha		1885-87
Trowbridge, F.H.	Neligh		1879-81
True, M.B.C.	Crete		1879-81
Truesdell, Sidney A.	Carleton		1887-91
Truman, George E.	Omaha		1935 <sup>6</sup> -37
Trumble, Abner W.	Sarpy County		1867 <sup>2</sup> -69
Trumble, Clarence W.	Hazard		1913-19
Tucker, E.A.	Humboldt	1905-07	
Tucker, F.S.	Florence, Omaha		1905-09
Tucker, George P.	Johnson, Nemaha, Richardson counties	1871-73	1867-69
Tucker, James M.	Waco		1899-1901
Tullis, Ezra	Lancaster County		1866 <sup>1</sup> -67, 69-71
Turbyfill, J.M.	Hastings		1933 <sup>4</sup>
Turk, W.W.	Humboldt	1881-83	
Turner, Charles M.	Milford		1885-87
Turner, Edward	Wilber	1891-93	
Turner, G.R.	Blue Springs		1883-85
Turner, M.K.	Columbus	1881-83	
Turner, Samuel B.	Fullerton		1927-35

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Name	Residence	Senate	House
Turner, William L.	Creighton		1887-89
Turtle, William	Omaha		1883-87
Turton, George J.	Dodge County		1866 <sup>1</sup> -67
Tuxbury, Albert	Otoe County		1866 <sup>1</sup> -67
Tvrdik, Charles F. <sup>11</sup>	Omaha	1935 <sup>6</sup> -37	
Tweed, Robert	Davenport		1901-03
Tyson, Watson	Blair		1887-89
Tzschuck, Bruno	Bellevue, Omaha	1887-89	1873-75
Uerling, Peter	Ayr		1897-99
Uhl, Mel	Omaha		1901-03
Ullstrom, A.L.	Memphis		1921-23
Ulrich, Otto	Winside	1921-23	
Umstead, J.H.	Fullerton	1903-05	
Underhill, George C.	Unadilla		1887-89
Unthank, John A.	Washington County		1867 <sup>2</sup> -69
Uttecht, F.A.	Hadar		1933-35
Valder, C.A.	Tekamah		1929-35
VanBoskirk, J.R.	Alliance	1901-03	
Vance, R.C.	Milford		1933-35
Vance, Ralph R.	Hastings	1925-33	1919-25
Vandegrift, John	Austin		1899-1903
Vandeman, A.W.	Ashland		1879-81
VanDemark, J.K.	Valparaiso	1887-89	
Vanderbilt, W. Henry	Ponca		1879-81
VanDeusen, Claude C.	Kennard		1913-17
Vandeventer, M.N.	Stella		1891-93
VanDusen, James H.	Omaha	1899-1901	
VanDuy, John N.	Wilber		1893-95
VanFleet, Peter	Lincoln		1931-33
VanHorn, S.S.	Hooper		1897-99
VanHousen, John C.	Schuyler	1891-93	1893-97, 1907-09
VanKirk, Rolla C.	Lincoln	1931-37	1927-31
VanPatten, Charles I.	Hastings		1919-21
VanWyck, Charles H.	Blair, Nebraska City	1877-81 <sup>10</sup>	
Varner, Lorin A.	Sterling	1911-13	1885-87
Veach, Moses A.	Stella		1887-89
Vlasak, J.J.	Prague		1903-05
Vogt, Charles, Jr. <sup>11</sup>	Liberty		1935-37
Volpp, Fred	Scribner	1909-13	
Von Seggern, E.M. <sup>11</sup>	West Point		1935-37
Vopalensky, F.	Morse Bluffs		1907-09
Vore, T.A.	Crete	1905-07	
Vorhes, Joel T.	Aurora, Hampton		1891-93
Votaw, Walter B.	Maywood		1921-23
Voter, Frank P.	Laurel		1905-07
Wachtler, Fred A.	Omaha		1935 <sup>5</sup>
Wait, Addison	Syracuse		1895-97
Waite, Charles E.	Lincoln		1897-99
Waite, George G.	Lincoln		1917-19

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Name	Residence	Senate	House
Waite, Wilber S.....	Loup City.....		1911-13
Waite, Willis R.....	Arcadia.....		1925-27
Wairt, George W.....	Wakefield.....		1885-87
Waldron, Silas C.....	Callaway.....		1925-33
Waldron, W.H.....	Hastings.....		1891-93
Waldter, Louis.....	Nemaha County.....		1867 <sup>2</sup> -69
Walker, Charles R.....	Benkelman.....		1901-03
Walker, Maxwell K.....	Mission Creek.....		1883-85
Walker, Peter H.....	Waverly.....	1882 <sup>6</sup> -85	
Wall, Aaron.....	Loup City.....	1903-07	
Wallace, George M.....	Orleans.....		1921-23
Wallichs, John A.....	Buffalo, Hall, Merrick, Platte counties.....		1867 <sup>2</sup> -69
Walling, Augustus M.....	Leigh.....		1881-83
Walling, James.....	Cozad.....		1899-1901
Walsh, J.....	Benson.....		1907-09
Walters, Joseph P.....	Ponca.....		1877-79
Walton, Wellington C.....	Sutton.....	1877-79	
Ward, J.K.....	Arcadia.....		1923-25
Ward, John.....	Springfield.....		1905-07
Ward, John M.....	Geneva.....		1915-19
Wardell, W.W.....	Otoe County.....	1867 <sup>2</sup> -69	
Wardlaw, John M.....	Pickrell.....		1887-89, 93-95
Waring, E.M.....	Middle Branch.....		1901-05
Warner, Charles A.....	Geneva.....	1891-93	
Warner, Charles J. <sup>11</sup> .....	Waverly.....	1919-37	1901-07
Warner, J.F.....	Dakota City.....		1879 <sup>7</sup> -81
Warner, William P.....	Dakota City.....	1903-05	
Warren, Albert G.....	Holdrege.....	1909-11	
Warrington, M.C.....	Mason City.....		1931-35
Warrington, T.L.....	Plum Creek.....		1879-81
Wart, M.H.....	Creighton.....		1895-97
Watson, A.J.....	Coleridge.....		1901-03
Watson, Charles J.....	Fairmont.....	1919-23, 25-27	
Watson, Edward G.....	Friend.....	1897-99	
Watson, G.P.....	Plainview.....		1899-1901
Watson, John C.....	Nebraska City.....	1895-97	1887-95
Watts, Samuel F.....	North Platte.....		1881-85
Way, W.A.....	Columbus.....	1903-05	
Weaver, Arthur J.....	Falls City.....		1899-1901
Weaverling, Ralph E.....	North Bend.....	1919-21	
Webb, E.M.....	Callaway.....		1897-99
Webber, B.B.....	Hildreth.....		1933-37
Weber, B.R.B.....	Valparaiso.....		1889-91
Weber, Chris.....	Spalding.....	1901-03	
Weber, L.C.....	Arlington.....		1895-97
Weber, Otto C.....	Leigh.....		1933-37
Weborg, C.J.....	Pender.....		1903-05
Webster, Harvey L.....	Tekamah.....		1921-23

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Name	Residence	Senate	House
Webster, J.L.	Omaha		1873-75
Weems, John A.	Fullerton		1907-11
Weesner, William L.	Red Cloud	1915-17	1911-13
Weidensall, Jacob	Douglas County		1875-77
Welch, Andy J.	Milford	1929-35	
Welch, Frank	Burt, Cuming, Washington counties	1866 <sup>1</sup> -1867	
Welch, William	Osceola	1897-99	
Wellensiek, H.G. <sup>11</sup>	Grand Island	1929-33	
Weller, Amos A.	Syracuse	1897-99	
Weller, H.D.	Stella		1889-91
Wells, Franklin Stewart <sup>11</sup>	Fairbury	1935-37	1923-25, 27-35
Wells, H.M.	Crete	1881-83	
Wells, Henry C.	Riverton		1881-83
Wells, Joseph	Lexington		1889-91
Wells, Nathan W.	Schuyler		1877-81
Wenzel, John F.	Steinauer, Tate		1899-1903
Werhan, W.J.	Fairbury		1883-85
Werner, Ernest	Falls City		1891-93
Wertman, Charles H.	Milford		1919 <sup>6</sup> -21
West, Frank S.	Wood River		1909-11
West, Raymond H.	Wood River	1913-15	
Westcott, M.H.	Malcolm		1882 <sup>6</sup> -85
Westerhoff, J.G.W.	Carleton		1921-23
Weston, James F.	Sutton		1913-15
Weston, W.H.	Ashland		1919-21
Westover, Herman	Ord		1889-91
Wetherald, Frank M.	Hebron	1889-91	1887-89
Whaley, M.H.	Clarks	1905-07	
Whedon, Charles O.	Lincoln		1881-85
Wheeler, C.F.	Precept		1897-1901
Wheeler, Cyrus W.	Brownville		1873-75
Whelpley, D.P.	Schuyler		1877-79
Wherry, Kenneth S.	Pawnee City	1929-33	
Wherry, Robert A.	Falls City	1881-83	
Whitcomb, E.W.	Friend		1877-79
White, A.K.	Lincoln		1873-75
White, Alfred James	Utica		1925-29
White, C.C.	Valparaiso	1881-83	
White, E.M.	Burwell		1927-29
White, E.O.	Cairo		1907-09
White, Francis E.	Plattsmouth		1887-93
White, Fred E.	Creighton		1885-87
White, H.J.	Ainsworth		1917-19
White, Herbert Thomas	Omaha		1927-29
Whited, Ralph W.	Omaha		1931-33
Whitehead, E.I.	Holdrege		1923-25
Whitehead, James	Red Fern		1889-91
Whitford, A.D.	Wakefield		1889-91

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Name	Residence	Senate	House
Whitham, J.W.	Cook		1905-09
Whitmore, John A.	Aurora	1901-03	
Whitmore, William G.	Valley		1885-89
Whitney, Freeman L.	Big Springs		1925-31
Whitney, Howard	Springfield		1907-09
Whitzel, Thomas J.	Geneva		1883-85
Whyman, F.E.	Adams		1889-91
Wickham, James	Richardson County		1871-73
Wiebe, C.E.	Grand Island		1897-99
Wight, Edgar A.	Wolbach		1919-23
Wigton, A.L.	Hastings	1879-81	
Wilbur, M.C.	Omaha	1866 <sup>1</sup> -67	
Wilbur, Russel H.	Ponca		1866 <sup>1</sup> -67, 73-75
Wilcox, Burton E.	South Omaha		1901-03
Wilcox, F.	Hubbell	1907-09	
Wilcox, Justin A.	McCook		1889-91
Wilcox, L.T.	Elkhorn City		1877-79
Wilcox, M.S.	Craig	1911-13	
Wilcox, Mark W.	Nebraska City	1877-79	
Wilcox, Wesley T.	North Platte	1927-31	1899-1901
Wilder, T.G.	Cowles		1895-97
Wildman, Milton M.	York		1919-21, 25-29
Wiles, Isaac	Plattsmouth		1867 <sup>2</sup> -69
Wilhelmsen, J. Withel J.	Dannebrog		1887-89
Wilkins, George	Emerson	1923-27	
Wilkinson, Richard	Eagle		1901-03
Williams, C.W.	Cook	1891-93	
Williams, George A.	Fairmont		1919-23
Williams, Henry	Nemaha		1885-87
Williams, J.J.	Wayne	1905-07	
Williams, J.W.	Filley		1889-93
Williams, O.T.B.	Buffalo, Hall, Kearney, Lincoln, Merrick, Monroe, Platte counties.	1866 <sup>1,7b</sup> -67	
Williams, T.J.	Hildreth		1891-93
Williams, Vaughn G.	Wayne County		1921 <sup>5</sup>
Williams, Walter J. "Lefty" <sup>11</sup>	Cedar Bluffs		1933-35
Wilesey, Albert	Hampton, York		1881 <sup>10</sup> , 87-89
Wilesey, Albert	Moorefield	1905-09	
Wilson, C.J.	Blue Hill		1891-93
Wilson, Everett P.	Chadron		1923-31
Wilson, F.C.	Anselmo		1907-09
Wilson, John	Kearney		1893-95
Wilson, John L.	Waco		1887-89
Wilson, O.	Omaha	1873-75	
Wilson, Ralph P.	Lincoln		1923-25
Wilson, Victor E.	Stromsburg		1909-11
Wilson, W.H.	Table Rock	1907-09	1903-07
Wilson, W.W.	Chadron	1891-93	

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Name	Residence	Senate	House
Wilson, Wallace H.	Fremont	1915-19	
Wilson, Willis	Curtis	1915-19	
Wiltse, George W.	Randolph	1907-11	
Wiltse, John	Falls City	1921-27	
Wimberley, T.M.	University Place		1897-99
Windham, Robert B.	Plattsmouth		1879-83, 1903 <sup>6</sup> -07, 19-21
Wingett, William	Walthill		1923-27
Wink, Peter	Kearney	1913-17	
Winslow, Wilson	Bertrand		1897-99
Winspear, James H.	Omaha		1885-87
Winter, Thaddeus	Long Pine		1889-91
Wise, John S.	Hamlet		1923-25
Wissenburg, H.	Loyal Hill		1883-85
Withnell, C.H.	Omaha		1893-95
Wittler, August	Wayne		1925-31
Wolbach, Samuel N.	Grand Island	1887-91	1885-87
Wolcott, Frank M.	Cass County		1871-73
Wolenweber, Nicholas	Seward		1887-89
Wolf, Joseph C.	Omaha		1927-29
Wolfe, George W.	Litchfield		1921-23
Wolfe, Thomas	Seward		1877-79
Wolph, H.C.	Sunlight		1883-85
Wolz, George F.	Fremont	1913-15	
Wood, Asa B.	Gering	1925-31	
Wood, Griffith L.	Ponca		1913-15
Wood, Richard F.	Omaha		1925-27
Wood, Wilbur F.	Haigler		1921-25
Woodard, D.S.	Aurora, Hampton		1897-1901
Woodhurst, William H. C.	North Platte		1915-17
Woodruff, S.	Stamford		1931-35
Woods, J.D.	Hay Springs		1893-95
Woods, L.H.	Violet	1891-93	
Woolstenholm, J.A.	Grand Island	1901-03	
Woolworth, James M.	Omaha		1867-69
Wooster, Charles	Silver Creek		1897-99
Worl, J.W.	Firth		1883-85
Worthing, H.T.	Overton		1907-11
Worthing, William E. <sup>11</sup>	Omaha		1935 <sup>5</sup>
Wright, Calvin J.	Seward	1887-89	
Wright, J.H.	Ruskin		1897-1901
Wright, John B.	Lincoln	1895-97	1885-87
Wright, Pierce G.	Martinsburg		1887-89
Wright, Stanley	Alliance		1929-31
Wright, W.F.	Pawnee City		1875 <sup>9</sup>
Wyatt, C.C.	Kalamazoo		1881-83
Wyman, Emory S.	Shelton		1899-1901
Wynne, Chester Allen	Omaha		1929-31

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Name	Residence	Senate	House
Yates, Frank C.....	Omaha .....		1913-15
Yeiser, John O.....	Omaha .....		1897 <sup>7</sup> -99
Yeiser, John O., Jr.....	Omaha .....		1921-23
Yensen, H.....	Gering .....		1925-29
Yochum, Charles L.....	Talmage.....		1923-27
Yochum, L.G.....	Ashland.....		1923-25
York, W.R.....	Spring Creek.....		1879-81
Young, Benjamin.....	Hebron.....		1883-85
Young, J.L.....	Tecumseh.....	1903-05	
Young, James R.....	Omaha .....		1887-89
Young, Lew J.....	Newman Grove.....		1909-11
Young, Lewis W.....	Wilsonville.....	1893-95	
Young, Milton L.....	Pickrell .....		1921-23
Young, Thomas T.....	Ashland.....		1897-1901
Young, W.W.....	Stanton.....	1901-03	
Yutzy, Joseph C.....	Falls City.....		1887-91
Zehrunge, Henry.....	West Point .....	1881-83	
Zellers, M.T.....	Hooper.....		1899-1901
Ziegler, J.A.....	Smithland.....		1879-83
Ziegler, T.F.....	Hartington.....	1901-03	
Zimmerer, Anton.....	Otoe County.....		1869-71
Zimmerer, F.....	Lexington.....		1901-03
Zimmerman, D.S.....	York.....		1897-99
Zimmerman, P.F.....	Battle Creek.....		1901-03
Zink, James W.....	Loup City.....		1895-97
Zink, Valentine.....	Sterling.....		1895-97
Zuelow, Otto.....	Schuyler.....		1905-07

### Endnotes

- <sup>1</sup> Member of first session of the state Legislature that met July 4, 1866. See explanation on Page 271.
- <sup>2</sup> Member of second session of the state Legislature that met Feb. 20, 1867. See explanation on Page 271.
- <sup>3</sup> Sommerlad's name appears as "Sommerland" in the House Journal of July 6, 1866.
- <sup>4</sup> Died during term.
- <sup>5</sup> Resigned before term ended.
- <sup>6</sup> Appointed or elected to fill vacancy.
- <sup>7</sup> Seats contested:
- <sup>a</sup> Benjamin F. Cunningham removed from office July 6, 1866. Seat filled by H.W. Sommerlad, the contestant.
- <sup>b</sup> Vincent Krummer removed from office July 6, 1866. Seat filled by O.T.B. Williams, the contestant.
- <sup>c</sup> Willett Pottinger removed from office Feb. 8, 1871. Seat filled by Andrew R. Kennedy, the contestant.
- <sup>d</sup> D.P. Ashburn seated Jan. 14, 1873.
- <sup>e</sup> William Curtis did not qualify. His name was stricken from roll call on Jan. 8, 1879.
- <sup>f</sup> J.F. Warner seated Jan. 20, 1879.
- <sup>g</sup> D.C. Ballentine seated Jan. 21, 1881.
- <sup>h</sup> Dennis Carrigan removed from office in 1881. Seat filled by Robert B. Dailey, the contestant.
- <sup>i</sup> Frank Burman, John H. Butler, Levi Cox and Joseph Crow removed from office Feb. 1, 1897. Seats filled by C.W. Baldwin, John Fitz Roberts, John H. Taylor and John O. Yeiser.
- <sup>j</sup> G.W. Benjamin removed from office Jan. 19, 1899. Seat filled by Frank Israel, the contestant.
- <sup>k</sup> S.B. Fenno and Frank R. Morrisey removed from office Feb. 7, 1889. Seats filled by George M. O'Brien and Christian Specht.

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Name	Residence	Term
Abboud, Chris .....	Ralston, Omaha .....	1983-98 <sup>1</sup>
Adams, Ernest A. ....	Benson, Omaha .....	1937-43
Adams, Greg L. ....	York .....	2007-15
Adams, John, Jr. <sup>6</sup> .....	Omaha .....	1937-43
Adams, John, Sr. ....	Omaha .....	1949-63
Adams, Thomas H. ....	Lincoln .....	1945-53, 55-57
Adamson, Elvin .....	Nenzel, Valentine .....	1961-69 <sup>1</sup>
Aguilar, Ray .....	Grand Island .....	1999 <sup>3</sup> -2009
Althouse, George W. ....	Omaha .....	1970 <sup>3</sup> -71
Anderson, Delmar S. ....	Lexington .....	1943-45
Anderson, Gary L. ....	Axtell .....	1973-77
Anderson, James H. ....	Scottsbluff .....	1943-47
Anderson, Lester H. ....	Aurora .....	1945-51, 53-57
Anderson, Victor E. ....	Lincoln .....	1949-50 <sup>1</sup>
Apking, Sharon V. ....	Alexandria .....	1981 <sup>3</sup> -83
Armstrong, Robert M. ....	Auburn .....	1937-39
Ashford, Brad .....	Omaha .....	1987-95, 2007-15
Ashmore, Hugh B. ....	Palisade .....	1937-41
Asimus, Tony .....	O'Neill .....	1941-45
Aufenkamp, John .....	Julian .....	1953-61
Avery, Bill .....	Lincoln .....	2007-15
Avery, Michael T. ....	Gretna .....	1993-97
Baack, Dennis G. ....	Dix, Kimball .....	1985-93 <sup>1</sup>
Babcock, Ray A. ....	Sidney .....	1945-53
Bahensky, LeRoy .....	Palmer, St. Paul .....	1955-59, 63-65
Baker, Roy E. ....	Lincoln .....	2015
Baker, Thomas C. ....	Trenton .....	1999-2007
Barnett, Wallace, Jr. ....	Lincoln .....	1971-78 <sup>1</sup>
Barrett, William E. ....	Lexington .....	1979 <sup>3</sup> -90 <sup>1</sup>
Batchelder, Clifton B. ....	Omaha .....	1965-71
Bauer, Hal W. ....	Lincoln .....	1965-67
Beaver, John E. ....	Beemer .....	1951-59
Beck, Sharon K. ....	Omaha .....	1989 <sup>3</sup> -91
Bedford, Mervin V. ....	Geneva .....	1955-59
Benesch, Joseph V. ....	Omaha .....	1947-51
Bereuter, Douglas K. ....	Utica .....	1975-79
Bernard-Stevens, David F. ....	North Platte .....	1988 <sup>3</sup> -96 <sup>1</sup>
Beutler, Christopher J. ....	Lincoln .....	1979-86 <sup>1</sup> , 91-2007
Bevins, George W. ....	Omaha .....	1941-43, 47-49
Beyer, Emil E., Jr. ....	Gretna .....	1981-93
Bixler, J. Monroe .....	Harrison .....	1953-59
Blome, Ernest W.R. ....	Sidney .....	1941-43
Bloom, Bill K. ....	Omaha .....	1967-71
Bloomfield, Dave .....	Hoskins .....	2010 <sup>3</sup>
Bohlke, Ardyce L. ....	Hastings .....	1991 <sup>3</sup> -2001
Bohlke, W. Halsey .....	Hastings .....	1949-51
Bolz, Kate .....	Lincoln .....	2013
Boughn, Keith M. ....	Norfolk .....	1977 <sup>2</sup>
Bourne, Patrick J. ....	Omaha .....	1999-2007
Bowen, Kenneth L. ....	Red Cloud .....	1959-67 <sup>1</sup>
Bowman, Harry E. <sup>6</sup> .....	Hastings .....	1941-43 <sup>2</sup>

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Name	Residence	Term
Brady, Frank J. <sup>6</sup>	Atkinson	1937-41
Brandt, Henry F. <sup>6</sup>	Beatrice	1937-39
Brandt, William B.	Unadilla	1961-65
Brasch, Lydia N.	Bancroft	.....2011
Brashear, Kermit A.	Omaha	.....1995-2007
Brauer, S. H., Sr.	Norfolk	.....1965-69
Brennan, William E.	Omaha	.....1977-79 <sup>2</sup>
Bridenbaugh, Hal	Dakota City	.....1949-65
Britt, Fay O.	Lincoln	.....1954 <sup>3</sup> -55
Britt, Howard L.	Lincoln	.....1953 <sup>2</sup>
Brodahl, Alfred J.	Wahoo	.....1941-47
Brodecky, Emil E. <sup>6</sup>	Howells	.....1937-41
Bromm, Curt	Wahoo	.....1993-2005
Brower, Robert C.	Fullerton	.....1953 <sup>3</sup> -57
Brown, Joshua L.	Brule	.....1951-54 <sup>1</sup>
Brown, Pam	Omaha	.....1995-2007
Bruning, Jon C.	Sarpy County	.....1997-2002 <sup>1</sup>
Budd, Rick S.	Nebraska City	.....1965-70 <sup>1</sup>
Burbach, Julius W.	Crofton, Hartington	.....1957-76 <sup>1</sup>
Burling, Carroll C.	Kenesaw	.....2001-09
Burney, Dwight W.	Hartington	.....1945-57
Burnham, Harry F.	Sargent, Ansley	.....1943-51
Burrows, George "Bill"	Adams	.....1975-83
Byars, Dennis M.	Beatrice	.....1988 <sup>3</sup> -95, 99-2007
Cady, Pearl L. <sup>6</sup>	Fremont	.....1937-39
Callan, John S. <sup>6</sup>	Odell	.....1939-43, 47-50 <sup>2</sup>
Campbell, Helen	Columbus	.....1988 <sup>3</sup> -89
Campbell, Kathy	Lincoln	.....2009
Carlberg, Roy B.	Pender	.....1945-49
Carlson, Swan <sup>6</sup>	Funk	.....1937-43
Carlson, Tom	Holdrege	.....2007-15
Carmody, Arthur	Trenton	.....1941-55
Carpenter, Earl W.	Guide Rock	.....1937-39
Carpenter, Terry M.	Scottsbluff	.....1953-55, 57-61, 63-74 <sup>1</sup>
Carson, Hugh	Ord	.....1949-55
Carsten, Calvin F.	Avoca	.....1971-87
Carsten, Fred L. <sup>6</sup>	Avoca	.....1937-41
Carstens, Fred W.	Beatrice	.....1965-75
Cavanaugh, John J., III	Omaha	.....1973-77
Chambers, Ernest W.	Omaha	.....1971-2009, 2013
Chizek, Jerry	Omaha	.....1984 <sup>3</sup> -93
Christensen, Mark R.	Imperial	.....2007-15
Chronister, Harry B.	Schuyler	.....1979 <sup>3</sup> -87
Clark, Robert L.	Sidney	.....1969-85
Claussen, Peter H. <sup>6</sup>	Leigh	.....1957-67
Coash, Colby J.	Lincoln	.....2009
Coffey, Tom	Alma	.....1953-55
Cole, D. J.	Merriman	.....1951-59
Combs, Jeanne M.	Friend	.....2003-07
Comstock, John H. <sup>6</sup>	Lincoln	.....1937-39

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Name	Residence	Term
Conklin, J. E. ....	Hubbell.....	1943-47
Connealy, Matt.....	Decatur.....	1999-2005
Conrad (Nantkes), Danielle.....	Lincoln.....	2007-15
Conway, Gerald A. ....	Wayne.....	1985-93
Cook, Tanya D. ....	Omaha.....	2009
Cooper, John R., Sr. ....	Humboldt.....	1959-61
Coordsen, George.....	Hebron.....	1987-2003
Cope, Ron.....	Kearney.....	1975-83
Copeland, John L. ....	Mariaville.....	1947-49
Cornett, Abbie.....	Bellevue.....	2005-13
Council, Brenda.....	Omaha.....	2009-13
Craft, Cecil I. ....	North Platte.....	1961-66 <sup>2</sup>
Craft, Ellen E. ....	North Platte.....	1966 <sup>3</sup> -67, 69-73
Craighead, Joni.....	Omaha.....	2015
Cramer, Glenn.....	Albion.....	1947-57
Crandall, H. C. ....	Curtis.....	1965-67
Craven, George I. ....	Lincoln.....	1939-41, 43-45
Crawford, Sue.....	Bellevue.....	2013
Cretsinger, Clyde F. ....	Paxton.....	1947-51, 54 <sup>3</sup> -55
Cronin, Dennis H. <sup>6</sup> .....	O'Neill.....	1945-47
Crosby, LaVon.....	Lincoln.....	1989-2001
Crosby, Robert B. ....	North Platte.....	1941-45
Crossland, William A. ....	Wayne.....	1941-47
Cudaback, Jim D. ....	Riverdale.....	1991-2007
Cullan, Samuel K. ....	Hemingford.....	1977-83 <sup>1</sup>
Cullingham, Sidney J. ....	Omaha.....	1943-47
Cunningham, Douglas D. ....	Wausa.....	2001-07
Dafoe, Charles A. <sup>6</sup> .....	Tecumseh.....	1937-39
Dame, Norval B. ....	Stratton.....	1957-59
Damrow, Thomas H. ....	Beatrice.....	1963-65
Danner, Edward R. ....	Omaha.....	1963-70 <sup>2</sup>
Davey, Charles.....	Scottsbluff.....	1974 <sup>3</sup> -75
Davies, Thomas M. ....	Lincoln.....	1949-51
Davis, Al.....	Hyannis.....	2013
Day, Connie J. ....	Norfolk.....	1993-95 <sup>1</sup>
DeCamp, John W. ....	Neligh.....	1971-87
Dickey, Robert L. ....	Laurel.....	1999 <sup>3</sup> -2001
Dickinson, James A. ....	Millard.....	1973-77
Dierks, Merton "Cap".....	Ewing.....	1987-2003, 2007-11
Diers, Herbert K. ....	Gresham.....	1951-57, 59-63
Diers, William H. <sup>6</sup> .....	Gresham.....	1937-41
Donner, John G. ....	Elgin.....	1957-61
Dooley, Tom.....	Papillion.....	1943-47, 53-55, 57-59
Doyle, John F. <sup>6</sup> .....	Greeley.....	1939-41, 43-49
Doyle, Thomas D. ....	Omaha.....	1983 <sup>1</sup>
Dubas, Annette M. ....	Fullerton.....	2007-15
Duda, Walter J. ....	Omaha.....	1981 <sup>3</sup> -83
Duis, Herbert J. ....	Gothenburg.....	1951-55, 69-79 <sup>1</sup>
Dunn, Lester L. <sup>6</sup> .....	Lincoln.....	1937-41
Dvorak, Edwin V. ....	Omaha.....	1977 <sup>3</sup> -79

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Name	Residence	Term
Dworak, Donald N.	Columbus	1975-83
Ebke, Laura	Crete	2015
Elmer, W. Owen	Indianola	1987-99
Elrod, Don	Grand Island	1966 <sup>3</sup> -73
Ely, Richard L.	Guide Rock	1967 <sup>3</sup> -69
Emry, Louis K.	Lincoln	1978 <sup>3</sup> -79
Engel, L. Patrick	South Sioux City	1993 <sup>3</sup> -2009
Epke, Walter H.	York	1971-75
Erdman, Philip	Bayard	2001-09
Eret, Donald	Dorchester	1983-87
Erlewine, Dale	Grant	1959-65
Fellman, Richard M.	Omaha	1972 <sup>3</sup> -75
Fenger, George	Bellevue	1981-85
Fenske, Albert A.	Sunol	1953-61
Fischer, Debra	Valentine	2005-13 <sup>1</sup>
Fisher, Dan	Grand Island	1993-97
Fitzgerald, Thomas	Omaha	1975-81 <sup>1</sup>
Fleming, George H.	Sidney	1961-69
Flood, Michael J.	Norfolk	2005-13
Foley, Mike	Lincoln	2001-07 <sup>1</sup>
Foote, Kathleen A.	Axtell	1955-59
Forrester, M. M. "Duke"	Anselmo	1961-65
Foster, Clifton N.	Benedict	1963-65
Foster, Harry A. <sup>6</sup>	Omaha, Florence	1943-49
Fowler, Steven	Lincoln	1973-83 <sup>1</sup>
Frazier, George H.	Oxford	1952 <sup>3</sup> -53
Friend, Michael J.	Omaha	2003-09 <sup>1</sup>
Friesen, Curt	Henderson	2015
Frost, Tracy T. <sup>6</sup>	St. Paul	1937-39
Fulton, George F.	Beatrice	1959 <sup>4</sup> -61
Fulton, Tony	Lincoln	2007 <sup>3</sup> -13
Gantz, Harry E.	Alliance	1937-45
Garber, Daniel <sup>6</sup>	Red Cloud	1939-49
Garrett, Tommy L.	Bellevue	2013 <sup>3</sup>
Gay, Tim	Papillion	2007-11
George, Walter	Blair	1975-80 <sup>1</sup>
Gerdes, George C.	Alliance	1959-69
Gerhart, H. L.	Newman Grove	1961-65
Giese, Robert J.	South Sioux City	2009-10 <sup>1</sup>
Gloor, Mike	Grand Island	2009
Goll, James E.	Tekamah	1981 <sup>3</sup> -87
Goodrich, Glenn A.	Omaha	1971-91
Gottschalk, F. O.	Columbus	1963 <sup>3</sup> -65
Greenamyre, Harlan G.	Norfolk	1941-43 <sup>1</sup>
Groene, Mike	North Platte	2015
Gross, George B.	Valentine	1939-41
Gutoski, Peter P. <sup>6</sup>	Omaha	1939-41, 43-45
Haar, Ken	Malcolm	2009
Haberman, Rex S.	Imperial	1979-95

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Name	Residence	Term
Hadley, Galen.....	Kearney.....	2009
Hall, Leland R. <sup>6</sup> .....	Roseland.....	1937-41
Hall, Timothy J. ....	Omaha.....	1984 <sup>3</sup> -95 <sup>1</sup>
Hanna, Don E. ....	Brownlee, Valentine.....	1941-47, 49-51
Hanna, Don, Jr. ....	Brownlee.....	1969 <sup>3</sup> -71
Hannibal, Gary E. ....	Omaha.....	1983-91
Hansen, Matt.....	Lincoln.....	2015
Hansen, Tom.....	North Platte.....	2007-15
Harms, John N. ....	Scottsbluff.....	2007-15
Harr, Burke J. ....	Omaha.....	2011
Harris, Louis William .....	Lincoln.....	1983 <sup>3</sup> -87 <sup>1</sup>
Harsh, Lester.....	Bartley, McCook.....	1965-71
Hartnett, D. Paul.....	Bellevue.....	1985-2005
Hasebroock, William H. ....	West Point.....	1961-79 <sup>2</sup>
Hastings, Jay <sup>6</sup> .....	Osceola.....	1939 <sup>2</sup>
Haycock, Willis F. <sup>6</sup> .....	Callaway.....	1937-39
Hefner, Elroy M. ....	Coleridge.....	1976 <sup>3</sup> -93
Heidemann, Lavon L. ....	Elk Creek.....	2005-13
Heiliger, Henry P. ....	Lincoln.....	1943-49
Hern, William.....	Chadron.....	1945-53
Herrick, Charles R. <sup>6</sup> .....	Curtis.....	1939-41
Higgins, Marge.....	Omaha.....	1980 <sup>3</sup> -89
Hilgert, John A. ....	Omaha.....	1995 <sup>3</sup> -2001 <sup>1</sup>
Hilkemann, Robert.....	Omaha.....	2015
Hill, Ralph W. ....	Hebron.....	1947-55
Hillman, Joyce.....	Gering.....	1991-99
Hlava, Fred.....	Gordon.....	2002 <sup>3</sup> -03
Hoagland, Peter J. ....	Omaha.....	1979-87
Hoffmeister, George.....	Imperial.....	1955-57
Hohenstein, Kurt A. ....	Dakota City.....	1993 <sup>1</sup>
Hollenbeck, Earl.....	Long Pine.....	1959-61
Holmes, Louis A. ....	Grand Island.....	1949-51
Holmquist, C. W. ....	Oakland.....	1965-72 <sup>2</sup>
Horgan, Thomas R. ....	Omaha.....	1991-94 <sup>1</sup>
Howard, Gwen E. ....	Omaha.....	2005-13
Howard, Rufus M. <sup>6</sup> .....	Flats, Sutherland.....	1937-43
Howard, Sara.....	Omaha.....	2013
Hoyt, C. Edward.....	McCook.....	1945-52 <sup>1</sup>
Hubka, Ernest A. ....	Beatrice.....	1953-57
Hubka, Latimer J. ....	Beatrice.....	1943-47
Hudkins, Carol L. ....	Malcolm.....	1993-2009
Hughes, Calista Cooper.....	Humboldt.....	1965-69
Hughes, Dan.....	Venango.....	2015
Hutton, Lynn D. ....	Norfolk.....	1944 <sup>3</sup> -45
Jacobson, Clarence E. ....	Hastings.....	1982 <sup>3</sup> -85
Janssen, Charlie.....	Fremont.....	2009-14 <sup>1</sup>
Janssen, Ramon E. ....	Nickerson.....	1993-2009
Jeffords, Carl P. ....	Mullen.....	1943-47
Jensen, Hans O. ....	Aurora.....	1957-61 <sup>1</sup>

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Name	Residence	Term
Jensen, Jim.....	Omaha.....	1995-07
Jeppesen, Louis M. <sup>6</sup> .....	Hubbard.....	1941-45
Johanns, Stephanie A. ....	Lincoln.....	1987 <sup>3</sup> -89
Johnson, E. Thome.....	Fremont.....	1968 <sup>3</sup> -77
Johnson, Jerry.....	Wahoo.....	2013
Johnson, Joel T. ....	Kearney.....	2002 <sup>3</sup> -09
Johnson, Lowell C. ....	North Bend.....	1981-93
Johnson, Richard N. ....	Fremont. ....	1939-43
Johnson, Rod.....	Sutton.....	1983-92 <sup>1</sup>
Johnson, Roy W. ....	Miller.....	1937-39
Johnson, Vard R. ....	Omaha.....	1979-89 <sup>1</sup>
Johnson, Walter Richard <sup>6</sup> .....	Omaha.....	1937-39
Johnston, Alva M. <sup>6</sup> .....	Doniphan.....	1939-41
Jones, James E. ....	Eddyville.....	1993-2005
Kahle, Martin F. ....	Kearney.....	1977-84 <sup>2</sup>
Kain, Lloyd.....	Lexington.....	1945-49
Karpisek, Russ.....	Wilber.....	2007-15
Kelly, Ralph D. ....	Grand Island.....	1973-81
Kennedy, Thomas C. ....	Newman Grove.....	1969-77, 77 <sup>3</sup> -81
Keyes, Orval A. ....	Papillion, Springfield.....	1969-81
Kiel, Shelley.....	Omaha.....	1997-2001
Kilgarin, Karen.....	Omaha.....	1981-84 <sup>1</sup>
Kime, Otho G. ....	Valentine.....	1971-77
Kintner, Bill.....	Papillion.....	2013
Kjar, Albert A. ....	Lexington.....	1961-69
Klaver, Sam.....	Omaha.....	1939-41, 43-47, 51-73
Klein, Leland C. ....	Battle Creek.....	1995 <sup>3</sup> -97
Knezacek, Joseph T. ....	Ord.....	1941-43
Knickrehm, John.....	Grand Island.....	1937-39
Knight, George A. ....	Lincoln.....	1961-63
Knight, John E. ....	Lincoln.....	1965-71
Koch, Gerald D. ....	Ralston.....	1975-83
Kokes, Rudolf C. ....	Ord.....	1965-73
Kolowski, Rick.....	Omaha.....	2013
Kolterman, Mark A. ....	Seward.....	2015
Kopplin, Gail F. ....	Gretna.....	2005-09
Korshoj, Frank.....	Herman.....	1987-91
Kosman, Henry D. ....	Omaha.....	1947-49 <sup>1</sup>
Kotouc, Otto, Jr. ....	Humboldt.....	1941-43
Kotouc, Otto, Sr. <sup>6</sup> .....	Humboldt.....	1951-59
Krause, Nell Keenan.....	Albion.....	1946 <sup>3</sup> -47
Kremer, Maurice A. ....	Aurora.....	1963-83
Kremer, Robert.....	Aurora.....	1999-2007
Kreutz, Rolland H. ....	Giltner.....	1951-53
Krist, Robert J. "Bob" .....	Omaha.....	2009 <sup>3</sup>
Kristensen, Douglas A. ....	Minden.....	1989-2002 <sup>1</sup>
Kruse, Lowen V. ....	Omaha.....	2001-09
Kuehn, John L. ....	Heartwell.....	2015
Labedz, Bernice R. ....	Omaha.....	1976 <sup>3</sup> -93

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Name	Residence	Term
Lamb, Howard A. ....	Anselmo .....	1977-93
Lambert, R. Paul.....	Plattsmouth .....	2011 <sup>3</sup> -13
Lambert, Thomas L. ....	Columbus.....	1939-41 <sup>1</sup>
Landis, David M. ....	Lincoln .....	1979-2007
Langemeier, Chris .....	Schuyler.....	2005-13
Langford, Lorraine.....	Kearney.....	1987-91
Larkin, John J., Jr. ....	Omaha.....	1949-57
Larson, Tyson .....	O'Neill.....	2011
Lathrop, Steve.....	Omaha.....	2007-15
Lautenbaugh, Scott .....	Omaha.....	2007 <sup>3</sup> -14 <sup>1</sup>
Lautenschlager, Marvin M. ....	Grand Island.....	1957-63
Lee, Earl J. ....	Fremont.....	1943-57
Lee, Francis D. "Bart" .....	Atkinson.....	1966 <sup>3</sup> -67
Leedom, Joe W. ....	Gordon.....	1947-49
Lewis, Frank.....	Bellevue.....	1973-81
Lewis, Richard.....	Holbrook .....	1971-79
Liebers, Otto H. ....	Lincoln .....	1951-61
Lillibridge, Chauncey C. ....	Crete .....	1947-55
Lindgren, Carl R. ....	Campbell .....	1949-53
Lindsay, John C. ....	Omaha.....	1989-97
Lindstrom, Brett.....	Omaha.....	2015
Louden, LeRoy J. ....	Ellsworth.....	2003-13
Luedtke, Roland A. ....	Lincoln .....	1967-79
Lundy, Ray E. ....	Kearney.....	1983-87
Lusinski, Ed F. <sup>6</sup> .....	Columbus.....	1945-53 <sup>1</sup>
Lynch, Daniel C. ....	Omaha.....	1985-2001
Lysinger, Richard R. ....	Ravenna.....	1963-67
Mahoney, Eugene T. ....	Omaha.....	1961 <sup>3</sup> -76 <sup>1</sup>
Maresh, Richard H. ....	Milligan.....	1971-81 <sup>1</sup>
Marsh, Shirley .....	Lincoln .....	1973-89
Martin, Joseph D. ....	Grand Island.....	1953-57
Marvel, Richard D. ....	Hastings.....	1951-55, 59-82 <sup>1</sup>
Matzke, Gerald E. ....	Sidney.....	1993 <sup>3</sup> -2001
Matzke, Stanley A., Sr. ....	Seward, Milford .....	1941-45, 65-69 <sup>2</sup>
Maurstad, David I. ....	Beatrice.....	1995-99
Maxey, Jo Ann.....	Lincoln .....	1977 <sup>3</sup> -79
Maxwell, Chip.....	Omaha.....	2001-05
McCullister, John S. ....	Omaha.....	2015
McCosh, Theodore H. ....	Gering.....	1961-63
McCoy, Beau R. ....	Omaha.....	2009
McDonald, Gordon L. ....	Omaha .....	1983 <sup>3</sup> -84 <sup>1</sup>
McDonald, Richard N. ....	Rockville.....	2001 <sup>2</sup>
McDonald, Vickie D. ....	Rockville, St. Paul .....	2001 <sup>3</sup> -09
McFarland, James D. ....	Lincoln .....	1986 <sup>3</sup> -91
McGill, Amanda.....	Lincoln .....	2007-15
McGinley, Donald F. ....	Ogallala.....	1955-59, 63-65
McHenry, William A. ....	Nelson .....	1953-59
McHugh, Edwin T. ....	Murdock.....	1959-63
McKenzie, Janis J. ....	Harvard.....	1993 <sup>3</sup> -97 <sup>1</sup>

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Name	Residence	Term
McKnight, John P. ....	Auburn .....	1947-52 <sup>1</sup>
McMahon, Patrick J. <sup>6</sup> .....	Omaha .....	1937-39
McNutt, Robert D. ....	Lincoln .....	1951-55
Mekota, John E. ....	Crete .....	1939-47
Mello, Heath .....	Omaha .....	2009
Merz, Nelson .....	Falls City .....	1977-81
Metzger, C. E. <sup>6</sup> .....	Cedar Creek .....	1951-53
Metzger, William A. ....	Cedar Creek .....	1941-43, 47-51, 55-57
Miller, Arthur L. ....	Kimball, Scottsbluff .....	1937-41
Miller, Jerry D. ....	Davenport .....	1984 <sup>3</sup> -89
Mills, Jack D. ....	Big Springs .....	1975-78 <sup>1</sup>
Mines, Michael .....	Blair .....	2003-09 <sup>1</sup>
Mischke, Martin J. ....	Crofton .....	1939-45
Momen, James P. ....	Omaha .....	1994 <sup>3</sup> -95
Moore, Scott .....	Stromsburg, Seward .....	1987-95
Morehead, Patricia S. ....	Beatrice .....	1983-88 <sup>1</sup>
Morfeld, Adam .....	Lincoln .....	2015
Morgan, P. J. ....	Omaha .....	1971-72 <sup>1</sup>
Morrison, Amos .....	Mitchell .....	1955-57
Morrissey, Spencer W. ....	Tecumseh .....	1989-93
Mossey, Raymond III .....	Papillion, Bellevue .....	2002 <sup>3</sup> -05
Moulton, C. F. "Pat" .....	Omaha .....	1965-69 <sup>1</sup>
Moulton, William S. ....	Omaha .....	1951-65
Moylan, Harold T. ....	Omaha .....	1965-78 <sup>2</sup>
Moylan, Margaret E. ....	Omaha .....	1978 <sup>3</sup> -79
Mueller, Fred A. <sup>6</sup> .....	Kearney .....	1939-49
Mullen, Jack D. ....	Nebraska City .....	1970 <sup>3</sup> -71
Munnely, John P. ....	Omaha .....	1957-61 <sup>1</sup>
Murante, John .....	Gretna .....	2013
Murphy, J. R. ....	South Sioux City .....	1973-81
Murphy, Leslie B. ....	Scottsbluff, Kimball .....	1937-43
Nelson, Arlene B. ....	Grand Island .....	1985-93
Nelson, Frank .....	O'Neill .....	1949-66 <sup>2</sup>
Nelson, John E. ....	Omaha .....	2007-14 <sup>1</sup>
Neubauer, E. M. <sup>6</sup> .....	Orleans .....	1937-45
Newell, Dave .....	Omaha .....	1977-85
Nichol, William E. ....	Scottsbluff .....	1975-87
Nordquist, Jeremy J. ....	Omaha .....	2009
Nore, Herbert E. ....	Genoa .....	1965-75
Norman, William J. ....	Omaha .....	1939-51
Norton, John N. <sup>6</sup> .....	Polk .....	1937-39
Nuernberger, L. C. <sup>6</sup> .....	Wakefield .....	1937-39
Ogden, Clifford N. ....	Omaha .....	1943-47, 49 <sup>3</sup> -51
Olinger, Oliver O. ....	Tekamah .....	1959-61
Orme, Fern Hubbard .....	Lincoln .....	1959-73
Osborne, Thomas C. <sup>6</sup> .....	Bayard .....	1943-45
Otto, Norman A. ....	Kearney .....	1955-61
Pahls, Rich .....	Omaha .....	2005-13
Paine, Ira E. ....	Grand Island .....	1965-66 <sup>2</sup>

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Name	Residence	Term
Pankonin, Dave .....	Louisville .....	2007-11 <sup>1</sup>
Pansing Brooks, Patty .....	Lincoln .....	2015
Pappas, James E. ....	North Platte.....	1982 <sup>3</sup> -87 <sup>1</sup>
Parks, Shirley .....	Ogallala.....	1978 <sup>3</sup> -79
Paxton, Chester .....	Theford.....	1965-67
Payne, Dale L. ....	Omaha, Bellevue.....	1963-68 <sup>1</sup>
Peck, John O. ....	Columbus.....	1959-62 <sup>1</sup>
Pedersen, Dwite A. ....	Elkhorn .....	1993-2009
Pedersen, Henry F., Jr. ....	Omaha .....	1965-71
Pederson, Donald W. ....	North Platte.....	1996 <sup>3</sup> -2007
Perry, Ralph R. ....	Lincoln .....	1955-57
Person, O. H. ....	Wahoo .....	1947-57
Peterson, C. Petrus <sup>6</sup> .....	Lincoln .....	1941-49
Peterson, Carl H. ....	Norfolk.....	1937-41
Peterson, Chris.....	Grand Island.....	1997-1999 <sup>1</sup>
Peterson, Howard L. ....	Grand Island.....	1981-85
Peterson, John B. <sup>6</sup> .....	Ashland .....	1937-39
Peterson, K. W. ....	Sargent.....	1951-57
Peterson, Richard .....	Norfolk.....	1981-93 <sup>3</sup>
Pfister, LeRoy G. ....	South Sioux City .....	1971 <sup>3</sup> -73
Pirsch, Carol McBride .....	Omaha .....	1979-97 <sup>1</sup>
Pirsch, Pete.....	Omaha.....	2007-15
Pizer, Harry L. <sup>6</sup> .....	North Platte.....	1937-39, 45-61
Pohlman, Floyd W. ....	Auburn .....	1952 <sup>3</sup> -53
Portsche, Stanley Lee.....	Lincoln .....	1957-61
Powers, Ray P. ....	Omaha .....	1979 <sup>3</sup> -80 <sup>1</sup>
Preister, Donald G. ....	Omaha, Bellevue.....	1993-2009
Price, Jack W. ....	Lincoln .....	1941-43
Price, Marian L. ....	Lincoln .....	1999-2007
Price, Scott .....	Bellevue.....	2009-13 <sup>1</sup>
Prichard, Harold C. ....	Falls City.....	1947-49
Prohs, Otto J. ....	Gering .....	1947-53
Proud, Richard F. ....	Omaha.....	1965-75
Purdy, William.....	Norfolk.....	1955-57
Quandahl, Mark.....	Omaha.....	1999 <sup>3</sup> -2005
Raasch, Ernest C. ....	Norfolk.....	1945-49
Raecke, Walter R. ....	Central City.....	1941-49
Raikes, Ronald E. ....	Lincoln .....	1997 <sup>3</sup> -2009
Rakow, Elmer C. ....	Neligh .....	1941-45
Rasmussen, Dennis L. ....	Scotia .....	1973-79 <sup>1</sup>
Rasmussen, Eric C. ....	Fairmont .....	1963-68 <sup>1</sup>
Rasmussen, Jessie K. ....	Omaha .....	1991-95
Rasmussen, Ross H. ....	Hooper .....	1961-68 <sup>1</sup>
Reavis, Joseph C. ....	Falls City.....	1939-41, 43-47
Redfield, Pam.....	Omaha.....	1998 <sup>3</sup> -2007
Reed, James E. <sup>6</sup> .....	Lincoln .....	1939-43
Reeves, Theodore C. ....	Central City.....	1963-65
Regan, Richard C. <sup>6</sup> .....	Columbus.....	1937-39
Remmers, R. Wiley.....	Auburn .....	1981-89

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Name	Residence	Term
Reutzel, Barry L. ....	Fremont.....	1977-81
Reynolds, Florence B. ....	Omaha.....	1967-71
Reynolds, John D. <sup>6</sup> .....	Niobrara .....	1937-39
Richendifer, Blair K. ....	Walthill.....	1972 <sup>3</sup> -75
Riepe, Merv.....	Ralston.....	.....2015
Robak, Jennie.....	Columbus.....	1989-2003
Robinson, C. N. "Bud" .....	Blair.....	1991-99
Robinson, Leslie.....	Kearney.....	1967-71
Rogers, Carson.....	Ord.....	1985-93
Rogert, Kent.....	Tekamah.....	2007-11
Romans, Jack.....	Ord.....	1959-63
Rossiter, James B. ....	Walthill.....	1939-41
Ruhnke, Arnold J. ....	Plymouth.....	1955-68 <sup>1</sup>
Rumery, Myron G.A. ....	North Platte.....	1975-82 <sup>2</sup>
Rupp, Lee.....	Monroe.....	1983-87 <sup>1</sup>
Russell, Harry F. ....	Hastings.....	1944 <sup>3</sup> -45
Russillo, Michael P. ....	Omaha .....	1959 <sup>3</sup> -65
Ryan, James A. ....	Omaha.....	1945-47
Savage, John S. ....	Omaha.....	1971-79
Scheer, Jim.....	Norfolk.....	.....2013
Schellpeper, Stan .....	Stanton .....	1987-1999 <sup>2</sup>
Schilz, Ken .....	Ogallala.....	.....2009
Schimek, DiAnna R. ....	Lincoln .....	1989-2009
Schmit, Loran .....	Bellwood .....	1969-93
Schmitt, Jerry W. ....	Ord.....	1993-2001
Schnoor, David A. ....	Scribner.....	.....2014 <sup>3</sup>
Schreurs, Wayne L. ....	Seward .....	1969 <sup>3</sup> -71
Schrock, Edward J. ....	Elm Creek .....	1990 <sup>3</sup> -93 <sup>3</sup> , 95-2007
Schroeder, Norris F. ....	Hoskins .....	1947-51
Schultz, O. Edwin <sup>6</sup> .....	Elgin .....	1937-41, 45-46 <sup>1</sup>
Schumacher, Paul .....	Columbus.....	.....2011
Scofield, Sandra K. ....	Chadron .....	.....1983 <sup>3</sup> -91 <sup>1</sup>
Seaton, Fred A. ....	Hastings.....	1945-49
Seiler, Les.....	Hastings.....	.....2012 <sup>3</sup>
Shalla, Joseph P. ....	Beatrice.....	1951-53
Shultz, Lenhart M. ....	Rogers.....	1951-57
Sieck, Harold F. ....	Pleasant Dale.....	1979-87
Simmons, Ray C. ....	Fremont.....	1957-61
Simon, Neil S. ....	Omaha.....	1977-81
Simpson, Harold D., Sr. ....	Lincoln .....	1967-76 <sup>1</sup>
Skarda, William R., Jr. ....	Omaha.....	1959-77
Slepicka, Alois <sup>6</sup> .....	Wilber.....	1937-39
Smith, Adrian.....	Gering.....	1999-2007
Smith, Jacklyn J. ....	Hastings.....	1985-91 <sup>1</sup>
Smith, Jim.....	Papillion.....	.....2011
Snyder, Duke.....	Omaha.....	1971-75
Sorrell, J. Franklin.....	Syracuse.....	1939-47
Stahmer, David H. ....	Omaha.....	1971-75
Stalder, Lloyd W. ....	Humboldt.....	1961-65

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Name	Residence	Term
Staubitz, Ernest H. ....	Kearney .....	1961-63
Steele, R. B. ....	Fairbury .....	1947-49
Stinner, John P. ....	Gering .....	2015
Stoney, Larry D. ....	Omaha .....	1975-83
Stromer, Gerald A. ....	Kearney .....	1971-75
Stromer, Marvin E. ....	Lincoln .....	1961-67 <sup>1</sup>
Strong, Allen A. <sup>6</sup> .....	Gordon .....	1937-39
Stryker, Harold B. ....	Rising City .....	1957-69
Stuhr, Elaine R. ....	Bradshaw .....	1995-2007
Stull, Leslie A. ....	Alliance .....	1969-77
Stuthman, Arnold E. ....	Platte Center .....	2003-11
Sullivan, George T. ....	Omaha .....	1941-43
Sullivan, Kate .....	Cedar Rapids .....	2009
Suttle, Deborah S. ....	Omaha .....	1997 <sup>3</sup> -2003
Swanson, Arthur W. ....	Holdrege .....	1955-61
Swanson, William F. ....	Lincoln .....	1967 <sup>3</sup> -73
Swigart, Warren R. ....	Omaha .....	1975-77 <sup>1</sup>
Syas, George D. ....	Omaha .....	1951-77
Synowiecki, John .....	Omaha .....	2001 <sup>3</sup> -09
Tews, David D. ....	Norfolk .....	1957-61
Thomas, Amos .....	Omaha .....	1937-43
Thomas, Ray <sup>6</sup> .....	Clay Center .....	1940 <sup>3</sup> -45
Thompson, Donald L. ....	McCook .....	1955-65
Thompson, Dudley E. ....	Genoa .....	1943-45
Thompson, Nancy P. ....	Papillion .....	1997 <sup>3</sup> -2007
Thornton, J. Lyndon .....	Fairbury .....	1939-43
Troudt, Donald E. ....	Omaha .....	1970 <sup>3</sup> -71
Tvrdik, Charles F. <sup>6</sup> .....	Omaha .....	1937-59
Tyson, Gene .....	Norfolk .....	1997-2005
Utter, Dennis .....	Hastings .....	2009-11 <sup>2</sup>
Van Diest, Albert C. ....	Almeria, Taylor .....	1939-43
Venditte, Patrick .....	Omaha .....	1977-81
Vickers, Geno Thomas .....	Farnam .....	1979-87
Viehmeyer, Glenn .....	North Platte .....	1967-69
Vogel, Karl E. ....	Omaha .....	1947-59 <sup>1</sup>
Vogt, Charles, Jr. <sup>6</sup> .....	Liberty .....	1949-51
Von Minden, Merle .....	Allen .....	1981-85
Von Seggern, E. M. <sup>6</sup> .....	West Point .....	1937-41
Vosoba, Joe T. ....	Wilber .....	1959-63
Vrtiska, Floyd P. ....	Table Rock .....	1993-2005
Waggoner, Fred M. ....	Lincoln .....	1957-59
Wagner, August .....	Columbus .....	1957-59
Wagner, Donald L. ....	Ord .....	1979 <sup>3</sup> -85
Waldo, Willard H. ....	DeWitt .....	1957-59 <sup>4</sup> , 61-63, 68 <sup>3</sup> -73
Waldron, J. James .....	Callaway .....	1967-75
Wallman, Norm .....	Cortland .....	2007-15
Wallwey, Elmer .....	Emerson .....	1965-71 <sup>1</sup>
Warner, Charles J. <sup>6</sup> .....	Waverly .....	1937-39
Warner, Jerome .....	Waverly .....	1963-97 <sup>2</sup>

## Members of Nebraska Unicameral Legislature, 1937-2015 (Cont'd.)

Name	Residence	Term
Watermeier, Dan .....	Syracuse.....	.....2013
Webb, Lewis.....	Ogallala.....	1959-63
Weborg, George C. ....	Pender.....	1941-51
Wehrbein, Roger R. ....	Plattsmouth .....	1987-2007
Weihing, John L. ....	Gering.....	1987-91
Wellensiek, H. G. <sup>5</sup> .....	Grand Island.....	1951-53
Wells, Franklin Stewart <sup>6</sup> .....	Fairbury.....	1937-39
Wenzlaff, Theodore C. ....	Sutton .....	1968 <sup>3</sup> -71
Wesely, Don.....	Lincoln.....	1979-99
Westley, M. E. ....	Brainard.....	1939-41
White, Tom .....	Omaha.....	2007-11
Whitney, Ramey C. ....	Chappell .....	1965-75
Wickersham, William R. “Bob” .....	Harrison.....	1991 <sup>3</sup> -2002 <sup>1</sup>
Wightman, John M. ....	Lexington.....	2007-15
Wiitala, Steve.....	Omaha.....	1981-83 <sup>1</sup>
Will, Eric J. ....	Omaha.....	1991-99
Willhoft, Jerry D. ....	Central City.....	1997 <sup>3</sup> -99
Williams, Dwain.....	Broken Bow.....	1957-61
Williams, Matt.....	Gothenburg.....	.....2015
Williams, Walter J. “Lefty” <sup>6</sup> .....	Ravenna, Kearney.....	1949-55
Wilson, Charles.....	Norfolk.....	1949-55
Wilson, Willard M. ....	Holdrege .....	1949-50 <sup>1</sup>
Wiltse, Irving F. ....	Falls City.....	1969-77
Witek, Kate E. ....	Omaha.....	1993-98 <sup>1</sup>
Withem, Ron.....	Papillion.....	1983 <sup>3</sup> -97 <sup>1</sup>
Wood, Fayette H. ....	Seward .....	1945-51, 57-59
Worthing, William E. <sup>6</sup> .....	Omaha.....	1937-39
Wylie, Fannie B. ....	Elgin.....	1964 <sup>3</sup> -65
Wylie, Matt .....	Elgin.....	1961-64 <sup>2</sup>
Wylie, William M. ....	Elgin.....	1965-71
Ziebarth, Wayne W.....	Wilcox .....	1969-73

### Endnotes

<sup>1</sup> Resigned before term ended.

<sup>2</sup> Died during term.

<sup>3</sup> Appointed to fill vacancy.

<sup>4</sup> Willard H. Waldo removed from office Jan. 27, 1959. Seat filled by George F. Fulton, the contestant.

<sup>5</sup> Left office due to redistricting.

<sup>6</sup> Also served in the state bicameral Legislature. See Pages 322-383.

## Presiding Officers of the Nebraska Legislature, 1855-2015

### Presidents of the Territorial Council

Joseph L. Sharp .....1855	William H. Taylor .....1860
Benjamin R. Folsom .....1855	John Taffe.....1861
Leavitt L. Bowen ..... 1857, 58	Edwin A. Allen .....1864
George L. Miller.....1857	Oliver P. Mason ..... 1865-66
Edmund A. Donelan .....1859	Eliphus H. Rogers .....1867

### Speakers of the Territorial Assembly

Andrew J. Hanscom .....1855	Henry W. DePuy .....1860
Potter C. Sullivan .....1855	Alfred D. Jones .....1861
Isaac L. Gibbs .....1857	George B. Lake.....1864
James H. Decker.....1857	Samuel M. Kirkpatrick.....1865
Hiram P. Bennet .....1858	James G. Megeath .....1866
Silas A. Strickland.....1859	William F. Chapin.....1867

### Presidents Pro Tem of the Senate

Frank Welch .....1866	Calvin F. Steele..... 1901-02
E. H. Rogers ..... 1867-68	W. H. Harrison..... 1903-04
E. B. Taylor..... 1869-70	William H. Jennings ..... 1905-06
Ebenezer E. Cunningham ..... 1871	Charles L. Saunders ..... 1907-08
Isaac S. Hascall ..... 1871-72	George W. Tibbets ..... 1909-10
William A. Gwyer..... 1873-74	John H. Morehead ..... 1911-12
Nathan K. Griggs..... 1875	J. H. Kemp..... 1913-14
Guy C. Barton..... 1876	Phillip H. Kohl ..... 1915-16
George F. Blanchard ..... 1877-78	John Mattes Jr. .... 1917-18
William Marshall..... 1879-80	Berton Kenyon Bushee..... 1919-20
John B. Dinsmore ..... 1881-82	Richard S. Norval..... 1921-22
A. H. Conner ..... 1883-84	Charles L. Saunders ..... 1923-24
Church Howe ..... 1885-86, 89-90	John W. Robbins..... 1925-26
G. D. Meiklejohn..... 1887-88	Perry A.C. Reed..... 1927-28
William A. Poynter..... 1891-92	John W. Cooper..... 1929-30
Erasmus M. Correll..... 1893-94	J. C. McGowan..... 1931-32
John C. Watson..... 1895-96	Frank McCarter..... 1933-34
Frank T. Ransom..... 1897-98	Cloyd L. Stewart ..... 1935
A. R. Talbot..... 1899-1900	Arthur L. Neumann..... 1935-36

## Presiding Officers of the Nebraska Legislature, 1855-2015 (Cont'd.)

### Speakers of the House

William A. Pollock .....	1866	William G. Sears .....	1901-02
William F. Chapin .....	1867-68	John H. Mockett Jr. ....	1903-04
William McLennan .....	1869-70	George L. Rouse .....	1905-06
George W. Collins .....	1871-72	Daniel M. Nettleton.....	1907-08
Milan H. Sessions .....	1873-74	Charles W. Pool.....	1909-10
Edward S. Towle.....	1875-76	John Kuhl.....	1911-12
Albinus Nance.....	1877-78	P. C. Kelley .....	1913-14
Charles P. Mathewson .....	1879-80	George W. Jackson .....	1915-18
H. H. Shedd.....	1881-82	Dwight S. Dalbey .....	1919-20
George M. Humphrey.....	1883-84	Walter L. Anderson.....	1921-22
Allen W. Field.....	1885-86	A. N. Mathers .....	1923-24
Nathan V. Harlan .....	1887-88	Allen G. Burke .....	1925-26
John C. Watson.....	1889-90	James A. Rodman.....	1927-28
Samuel M. Elder.....	1891-92	Bern R. Coulter .....	1929-30
J. N. Gaffin .....	1893-94, 97-98	Samuel Max Kier .....	1931-32
C. L. Richards .....	1895-96	George W. O'Malley .....	1933-34
Paul F. Clark.....	1899-1900	William H. O'Gara.....	1935-36

### Speakers of the Unicameral Legislature

Charles J. Warner.....	1937-38	Jerome Warner .....	1969-70
William H. Diers.....	1939-40	William H. Hasebroock.....	1971-72
Rufus M. Howard.....	1941-42	Richard R. Proud.....	1973-74
Robert B. Crosby.....	1943-44	Julius W. Burbach .....	1975-76
C. Petrus Peterson.....	1945-46	Roland A. Luedtke .....	1977-78
Walter R. Raecke.....	1947-48	Richard D. Marvel .....	1979-82
Earl J. Lee .....	1949-50	William E. Nichol.....	1983-86
C. Edward Hoyt.....	1951-52	William E. Barrett .....	1987-90
Otto J. Prohs .....	1952	Dennis G. Baack.....	1991-92
Charles F. Tvrdik .....	1953-54	Ron Withem.....	1993-96
Dwight W. Burney .....	1955-56	Douglas A. Kristensen .....	1997-2002
John E. Beaver .....	1957-58	Curt A. Bromm .....	2003-04
Harry L. Pizer .....	1959-60	Kermit A. Brashear.....	2005-06
Donald L. Thompson .....	1961-62	Michael J. Flood.....	2007-12
William S. Moulton .....	1963-64	Greg L. Adams .....	2013-14
Kenneth L. Bowen.....	1965-66	Galen Hadley.....	2015-
Elvin Adamson.....	1967-68		

## Secretaries and Clerks of the Nebraska Legislature, 1866-2015

### Secretaries of the Senate

C. E. Yost .....	1866	J. C. F. McKesson.....	1901-02
L. L. Holbrook.....	1867-70	A. R. Keim.....	1903-04
C. H. Walker.....	1871-72	William H. Wheeler .....	1905-06
D. H. Wheeler.....	1873-78	B. H. Goulding .....	1907-08
Sherwood Burr .....	1879-82, 85-86	William H. Smith.....	1909-12
G. L. Brown .....	1883-84	Clyde H. Barnard.....	1913-14, 19-28
W. M. Seeley .....	1887-90	E. A. Walrath.....	1915-18
C. H. Pirtle .....	1891-92	George C. Snow .....	1929-32
H. A. Edwards .....	1893-94	Homer H. Gruenther .....	1933
T. E. Sedgwick .....	1895-96	L. E. Chadderdon.....	1933-34
W. F. Schwind.....	1897-98	Hugo F. Srb.....	1935-36
Alpha Morgan.....	1899-1900		

### Chief Clerks of the House

J. H. Brown.....	1866	John Wall .....	1899-1906
John S. Bowen.....	1867-70	Clyde H. Barnard.....	1907-08
F. M. McDonach .....	1871	Trenmore Cone .....	1909-10
Louis E. Cropsey.....	1871-72	Henry C. Richmond.....	1911-14
J. W. Elder.....	1873-74	George W. Potts.....	1915-17
George L. Brown .....	1875-76	Arthur Howard.....	1918
B. D. Slaughter .....	1877-84, 87-90	Will F. Hitchcock.....	1919-20
James F. Zedicker .....	1885-86	Frank P. Corrick.....	1921-31
Eric Johnson .....	1891-94	Vernon D. Andrews .....	1931-32
W. M. Geddes.....	1895-96	Max Adams .....	1933-36
Frank D. Eager .....	1897-98		

### Clerks of the Unicameral Legislature

Hugo F. Srb.....	1937-69	Patrick J. O'Donnell .....	1978-
Vincent D. Brown .....	1970-77		

## Legislative Statistics

### Number of Bills Introduced and Laws Passed by Nebraska Bicameral Legislature, 1915-1935<sup>1</sup>

Year	Senate Bills	House Bills	Total Bills	Laws
1915.....	298	766	1,064	299
1917.....	332	803	1,135	273
1918 (Special).....	5	14	19	12
1919.....	263	585	848	300
1919 (Special).....	1	2	3	3
1919 (Special).....	1	3	4	4
1921.....	351	624	975	313
1922 (Special).....	8	8	16	11
1923.....	333	724	1,057	193
1925.....	274	459	733	186
1927.....	314	633	947	198
1929.....	307	589	896	200
1930 (Special).....	7	20	27	9
1931.....	374	498	872	164
1931 (Special).....	0	11	11	8
1933.....	477	605	1,082	163
1935.....	367	689	1,056	192
1935 (Special).....	15	39	54	35

### Number of Bills Introduced and Laws Passed by Nebraska Unicameral Legislature, 1937-2014<sup>1</sup>

Year	Session	Bills Held Over	New Bills	Laws <sup>2</sup>
1937.....	52nd.....	-	581	212
1939.....	53rd.....	-	523	138
1940.....	54th (Special).....	-	8	6
1941.....	55th.....	-	515	196
1943.....	56th.....	-	446	240
1944.....	57th (Special).....	-	6	6
1945.....	58th.....	-	395	260
1946.....	59th (Special).....	-	10	8
1947.....	60th.....	-	568	358
1949.....	61st.....	-	546	318
1951.....	62nd.....	-	562	354
1952.....	63rd (Special).....	-	2	2
1952.....	64th (Special).....	-	8	8
1953.....	65th.....	-	595	369
1954.....	66th (Special).....	-	10	6
1955.....	67th.....	-	559	354
1957.....	68th.....	-	615	404
1959.....	69th.....	-	739	475
1960.....	70th (Special).....	-	3	3
1960.....	71st (Special).....	-	2	2
1961.....	72nd.....	-	737	465
1963.....	73rd.....	-	815	545
1963.....	74th (Special).....	-	26	17
1965.....	75th.....	-	937	584
1966.....	76th (Special).....	-	3	3
1967.....	77th.....	-	947	632
1968.....	78th (Special).....	-	6	2
1968.....	79th (Special).....	-	3	2
1969.....	80th.....	-	1,440	858
1970.....	81st (Special).....	-	7	6
1971.....	82nd (1st).....	-	1,077	551
1972.....	82nd (2nd).....	123	519	364

<sup>1</sup>Source: Office of the Clerk of the Nebraska Legislature.

<sup>2</sup>Beginning in 1973, revenue bills were not counted in the total number of bills.

## Number of Bills Introduced and Laws Passed by Nebraska Unicameral Legislature, 1937-2014<sup>1</sup> (Cont'd.)

Year	Session	Bills Held Over <sup>3</sup>	New Bills	Laws
1973	83rd (1st)	-	589	365
1974	83rd (2nd)	97	470	268
1975	84th (1st)	-	613	306
1975	84th (Special)	-	7	4
1976	84th (2nd)	169	398	216
1977	85th (1st)	-	550	268
1978	85th (2nd)	172	416	275
1978	85th (Special)	-	16	3
1979	86th (1st)	-	597	310
1980	86th (2nd)	151	407	251
1981	87th (1st)	-	562	290
1981	87th (1st Special)	-	8	2
1982	87th (2nd)	170	409	186
1982	87th (2nd Special)	-	3	2
1983	88th (1st)	-	632	295
1984	88th (2nd)	224	499	291
1984	88th (Special)	-	3	0
1985	89th (1st)	-	728	248
1985	89th (1st Special)	-	5	1
1985	89th (2nd Special)	-	35	9
1986	89th (2nd)	-	531	316
1986	89th (3rd Special)	-	3	3
1986	89th (4th Special)	-	5	3
1987	90th (1st)	-	787	358
1988	90th (2nd)	234	451	259
1988	90th (Special)	-	3	3
1989	91st (1st)	-	817	308
1989	91st (Special)	-	9	4
1990	91st (2nd)	344	430	198
1991	92nd (1st)	-	857	276
1991	92nd (1st Special)	-	6	1
1992	92nd (2nd)	469	437	144
1992	92nd (2nd Special)	-	16	5
1992	92nd (3rd Special)	-	30	16
1992	92nd (4th Special)	-	8	2
1993	93rd (1st)	-	845	345
1994	93rd (2nd)	343	519	224
1995	94th (1st)	-	889	288
1996	94th (2nd)	403	503	182
1997	95th (1st)	-	891	307
1998	95th (2nd)	390	472	119
1998	95th (Special)	-	3	2
1999	96th (1st)	-	883	327
2000	96th (2nd)	397	566	152
2001	97th (1st)	-	856	254
2001	97th (1st Special)	-	20	4
2002	97th (2nd)	472	454	123
2002	97th (2nd Special)	-	52	20
2002	97th (3rd Special)	-	39	2
2003	98th (1st)	-	809	259
2004	98th (2nd)	344	446	132
2005	99th (1st)	-	763	200
2006	99th (2nd)	431	500	135
2007	100th (1st)	-	705	217
2008	100th (2nd)	313	471	180
2008	100th (Special)	-	3	2
2009	101st (1st)	-	681	236
2009	101st (Special)	-	16	5
2010	101st (2nd)	321	429	197
2011	102nd (1st)	-	704	272
2011	102nd (Special)	-	6	3
2012	102nd (2nd)	391	468	245
2013	103rd (1st)	-	655	220
2014	103rd (2nd)	406	460	185

<sup>3</sup>Bills that are neither passed nor killed during the regular session in odd-numbered years are carried over to the regular session in the following even-numbered year.

## Nebraska Legislative Sessions, 1855-2014 — Date, Location and Cost\*<sup>1</sup>

### *Territorial*

Session	Convened	Adjourned	Total Days in Session <sup>2</sup>	Legislative Expenses <sup>3</sup>
1st .....	Jan. 16, 1855	March 16, 1855	43	
2nd.....	Dec. 18, 1855	Jan. 26, 1856	30	
3rd.....	Jan. 5, 1857	Feb. 13, 1857	30	
4th.....	Dec. 8, 1857	Jan. 16, 1858	32	
5th (Special).....	Sept. 21, 1858	Nov. 4, 1858	38	
6th.....	Dec. 5, 1859	Jan. 13, 1860	30	
7th.....	Dec. 3, 1860	Jan. 11, 1861	32	
8th.....	Dec. 2, 1861	Jan. 10, 1862	29	
(No session) <sup>4</sup>	-	-	-	
9th.....	Jan. 7, 1864	Feb. 15, 1864	31	
10th.....	Jan. 5, 1865	Feb. 13, 1865	32	
11th.....	Jan. 4, 1866	Feb. 12, 1866	32	
12th.....	Jan. 10, 1867	Feb. 18, 1867	32	

Salaries of  
members and  
officers paid  
from federal  
appropriations.

### *State*

Session	Convened	Adjourned	Total Days in Session <sup>2</sup>	Legislative Expenses <sup>3</sup>
1st <sup>5</sup> .....	July 4, 1866	July 11, 1866	6	\$ 2,309
2nd (Special) <sup>5</sup> .....	Feb. 20, 1867	Feb. 21, 1867	2	1,529
3rd (Special).....	May 16, 1867	June 24, 1867	34	8,218
4th (Special).....	Oct. 27, 1868	Oct. 28, 1868	2	961
5th.....	Jan. 7, 1869	Feb. 15, 1869	33	16,190
6th (Special).....	Feb. 17, 1870	March 4, 1870	14	-
7th (Special).....	March 4, 1870	March 4, 1870	-	4,850 <sup>6</sup>
8th.....	Jan. 5, 1871	June 7, 1871	61	18,135
8th (Adjourned) <sup>7</sup> .....	Jan. 9, 1872	Jan. 24, 1872	-	-
9th.....	Jan. 9, 1873	March 4, 1873	40	22,500
10th (Special).....	March 27, 1873	March 29, 1873	3	1,919
11th.....	Jan. 7, 1875	Feb. 25, 1875	39	23,901
12th (Special).....	Dec. 5, 1876	Dec. 5, 1876	-	-
13th (Special).....	Dec. 5, 1876	Dec. 5, 1876	-	1,010 <sup>8</sup>
14th.....	Jan. 2, 1877	Feb. 15, 1877	36	30,859
15th.....	Jan. 7, 1879	Feb. 25, 1879	40	42,424
16th.....	Jan. 4, 1881	Feb. 26, 1881	40	46,780
17th (Special).....	May 10, 1882	May 24, 1882	13	14,291
18th.....	Jan. 2, 1883	Feb. 26, 1883	43	71,051
19th.....	Jan. 6, 1885	March 5, 1885	43	84,875
20th.....	Jan. 4, 1887	March 31, 1887	62	166,607
21st.....	Jan. 1, 1889	March 30, 1889	67	174,280
22nd.....	Jan. 6, 1891	April 4, 1891	71	143,833
23rd.....	Jan. 3, 1893	April 8, 1893	74	117,629
24th.....	Jan. 1, 1895	April 5, 1895	71	113,331
25th.....	Jan. 5, 1897	April 9, 1897	73	102,083
26th.....	Jan. 3, 1899	March 31, 1899	65	98,958
27th.....	Jan. 1, 1901	March 28, 1901	64	126,855
28th.....	Jan. 6, 1903	April 8, 1903	65	103,918
29th.....	Jan. 3, 1905	March 30, 1905	63	88,089
30th.....	Jan. 1, 1907	April 4, 1907	67	100,000
31st.....	Jan. 5, 1909	April 1, 1909	68	93,724
32nd.....	Jan. 3, 1911	April 6, 1911	67	104,955
33rd .....	Jan. 7, 1913	April 16, 1913	71	159,759
34th.....	Jan. 5, 1915	April 8, 1915	71	129,648

\* All sessions before Jan. 7, 1869, were in Omaha. Since then, sessions have been in Lincoln. Information provided by the Office of the Clerk of the Legislature and the legislative accounting office.

<sup>1</sup>From 1877 to 1936, both houses were Republican, except in 1891, 1893 and 1907, when the Populist and Democratic parties controlled both houses; in 1909, 1911, 1915, 1917, 1935 and 1935, when the Democratic Party controlled both houses; and in 1913, when the House was Democratic and the Senate was Republican. The Unicameral Legislature is a nonpartisan body elected on nonpartisan ballots.

**Nebraska Legislative Sessions, 1855-2014 —  
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State (Cont'd.)**

Session	Convened	Adjourned	Total Days in Session <sup>2</sup>	Legislative Expenses <sup>3</sup>
35th.....	Jan. 2, 1917	April 24, 1917	86	147,913
36th (Special).....	March 26, 1918	April 8, 1918	12	14,330
37th.....	Jan. 7, 1919	April 17, 1919	76	141,708
38th (Special).....	July 29, 1919	Aug. 2, 1919	5	10,434
39th (Special).....	Oct. 14, 1919	Oct. 18, 1919	5	10,382
40th.....	Jan. 4, 1921	April 28, 1921	91	189,860
41st (Special).....	Jan. 24, 1922	Feb. 2, 1922	9	17,695
42nd.....	Jan. 2, 1923	May 2, 1923	87	181,548
43rd.....	Jan. 6, 1925	April 1, 1925	65	165,909
44th.....	Jan. 4, 1927	April 23, 1927	82	184,328
45th.....	Jan. 1, 1929	April 24, 1929	85	182,427
46th (Special).....	March 4, 1930	March 15, 1930	11	23,861
47th.....	Jan. 6, 1931	May 2, 1931	89	186,704
48th (Special).....	June 9, 1931	June 20, 1931	11	26,746
49th.....	Jan. 3, 1933	May 9, 1933	99	173,024
50th.....	Jan. 1, 1935	May 25, 1935	110	202,593
51st (Special).....	Oct. 28, 1935	Nov. 25, 1935	24	30,770
52nd.....	Jan. 5, 1937	May 15, 1937	98	103,445
53rd.....	Jan. 3, 1939	June 7, 1939	111	100,678
54th (Special).....	Jan. 2, 1940	Jan. 13, 1940	11	3,677 <sup>a</sup>
55th.....	Jan. 7, 1941	May 23, 1941	99	102,755
56th.....	Jan. 5, 1943	May 28, 1943	103	101,548
57th (Special).....	March 27, 1944	April 7, 1944	11	3,325
58th.....	Jan. 2, 1945	May 9, 1945	89	100,470
59th (Special).....	Aug. 22, 1946	Aug. 29, 1946	7	2,140
60th.....	Jan. 7, 1947	June 6, 1947	105	117,459
61st.....	Jan. 4, 1949	May 26, 1949	100	121,306
62nd.....	Jan. 2, 1951	May 26, 1951	102	130,081
63rd (Special).....	April 17, 1952	April 24, 1952	7	2,621
64th (Special).....	Aug. 27, 1952	Sept., 5, 1952	7	3,465 <sup>b</sup>
65th.....	Jan. 6, 1953	June 13, 1953	113	153,369
66th (Special).....	April 20, 1954	May 7, 1954	12	6,388 <sup>b</sup>
67th.....	Jan. 4, 1955	June 17, 1955	114	177,739
68th.....	Jan. 1, 1957	June 19, 1957	115	202,812
69th.....	Jan. 6, 1959	June 27, 1959	120	241,691
70th (Special).....	Aug. 1, 1960	Aug. 9, 1960	7	4,887 <sup>b</sup>
71st (Special).....	Dec. 12, 1960	Dec. 19, 1960	7	4,291 <sup>b</sup>
72nd.....	Jan. 3, 1961	July 8, 1961	126	287,486
73rd.....	Jan. 1, 1963	July 18, 1963	132	399,974 <sup>10</sup>
74th (Special).....	Oct. 21, 1963	Nov. 23, 1963	24	21,023 <sup>b</sup>
75th.....	Jan. 5, 1965	Aug. 17, 1965	149	446,134
76th (Special).....	June 6, 1966	June 13, 1966	7	6,020 <sup>b</sup>
77th.....	Jan. 3, 1967	July 22, 1967	134	535,476
78th (Special).....	Jan. 3, 1968	Jan. 11, 1968	7	8,661 <sup>b</sup>
79th (Special).....	Dec. 9, 1968	Dec. 16, 1968	7	5,266
80th.....	Jan. 7, 1969	Sept. 24, 1969	165	614,289
81st (Special).....	June 9, 1970	June 16, 1970	7	7,154
82nd (1st).....	Jan. 5, 1971	May 26, 1971	90	572,672 <sup>11</sup>
82nd (2nd).....	Jan. 4, 1972	April 5, 1972	60	587,499 <sup>11</sup>
83rd (1st).....	Jan. 2, 1973	June 1, 1973	90	642,231
83rd (2nd).....	Jan. 1, 1974	April 11, 1974	60	698,342
84th (1st).....	Jan. 8, 1975	May 23, 1975	89	644,277
84th (Special).....	Oct. 22, 1975	Nov. 11, 1975	8	13,944
84th (2nd).....	Jan. 7, 1976	April 9, 1976	62	610,832
85th (1st).....	Jan. 5, 1977	June 1, 1977	90	893,519
85th (2nd).....	Jan. 4, 1978	April 21, 1978	60	862,036
85th (Special).....	June 8, 1978	June 30, 1978	9	21,264
86th (1st).....	Jan. 3, 1979	May 23, 1979	89	864,159
86th (2nd).....	Jan. 9, 1980	April 18, 1980	60	870,154
87th (1st).....	Jan. 7, 1981	May 29, 1981	90	1,097,618
87th (Special).....	Oct. 30, 1981	Nov. 7, 1981	7	17,157 <sup>12</sup>
87th (2nd).....	Jan. 6, 1982	April 16, 1982	60	1,012,490
87th (2nd Special).....	Nov. 5, 1982	Nov. 13, 1982	7	30,737

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Session	Convened	Adjourned	Total Days in Session <sup>2</sup>	Legislative Expenses <sup>3</sup>
88th (1st).....	Jan. 5, 1883	May 25, 1883	90	1,843,693
88th (2nd).....	Jan. 4, 1884	April 9, 1884	60	1,822,498
88th (Special).....	Aug. 16, 1884	Aug. 30, 1884	6	33,092
89th (1st).....	Jan. 9, 1885	June 5, 1885	90	2,088,239
89th (Special).....	Sept. 19, 1885	Sept. 25, 1885	7	28,322
89th (2nd Special).....	Oct. 17, 1885	Nov. 15, 1885	16	107,945
89th (2nd).....	Jan. 8, 1886	April 16, 1886	60	1,964,943
89th (3rd Special).....	Nov. 12, 1886	Nov. 20, 1886	7	35,497
89th (4th Special).....	Dec. 5, 1886	Dec. 12, 1886	7	35,290
90th (1st).....	Jan. 7, 1887	May 29, 1887	90	2,352,805
90th (2nd).....	Jan. 6, 1888	April 8, 1888	60	1,961,285
90th (Special).....	Nov. 11, 1888	Nov. 18, 1888	7	29,569
91st (1st).....	Jan. 4, 1889	May 24, 1889	90	2,695,928
91st (Special).....	Nov. 8, 1889	Nov. 17, 1889	7	39,056
91st (2nd).....	Jan. 3, 1890	April 9, 1890	60	2,102,159
92nd (1st).....	Jan. 9, 1891	June 5, 1891	90	3,024,161
92nd (Special).....	July 8, 1891	July 19, 1891	10	63,063
92nd (2nd).....	Jan. 8, 1892	April 14, 1892	60	2,526,852
92nd (2nd Special).....	July 31, 1892	August 12, 1892	7	54,876
92nd (3rd Special).....	Sept. 21, 1892	Oct. 2, 1892	10	69,699
92nd (4th Special).....	Nov. 5, 1892	Nov. 12, 1892	7	42,076
93rd (1st).....	Jan. 6, 1893	June 8, 1893	90	3,097,328
93rd (2nd).....	Jan. 5, 1894	April 15, 1894	60	2,475,247
94th (1st).....	Jan. 4, 1895	June 8, 1895	90	3,102,386
94th (2nd).....	Jan. 3, 1896	April 18, 1896	60	2,542,304
95th (1st).....	Jan. 8, 1897	June 12, 1897	90	3,295,765
95th (2nd).....	Jan. 7, 1898	April 14, 1898	60	2,453,956
95th (Special).....	May 13, 1898	May 20, 1898	7	42,856
96th (1st).....	Jan. 6, 1899	May 27, 1899	89	3,084,435
96th (2nd).....	Jan. 5, 2000	April 12, 2000	60	2,417,875
97th (1st).....	Jan. 3, 2001	May 31, 2001	90	3,165,969
97th (Special).....	Oct. 25, 2001	Nov. 8, 2001	9	70,664
97th (2nd).....	Jan. 9, 2002	April 19, 2002	60	2,662,287
97th (2nd Special).....	July 30, 2002	Aug. 15, 2002	13	93,973
97th (3rd Special).....	Nov. 7, 2002	Nov. 22, 2002	11	75,189
98th (1st).....	Jan. 8, 2003	May 30, 2003	89	3,361,172
98th (2nd).....	Jan. 7, 2004	April 15, 2004	60	2,526,175
99th (1st).....	Jan. 5, 2005	June 3, 2005	90	3,559,446
99th (2nd).....	Jan. 4, 2006	April 13, 2006	60	2,675,240
100th (1st).....	Jan. 3, 2007	May 31, 2007	90	3,901,574
100th (2nd).....	Jan. 9, 2008	April 17, 2008	60	3,152,802
100th (Special).....	Nov. 14, 2008	Nov. 21, 2008	7	51,534
101st (1st).....	Jan. 7, 2009	May 29, 2009	87	3,871,809
101st (Special).....	Nov. 4, 2009	Nov. 20, 2009	12	90,537
101st (2nd).....	Jan. 6, 2010	April 14, 2010	60	2,771,108
102nd (1st).....	Jan. 5, 2011	May 26, 2011	87	3,892,272
102nd (Special).....	Nov. 1, 2011	Nov. 22, 2011	15	116,697
102nd (2nd).....	Jan. 4, 2012	April 18, 2012	60	3,077,491
103rd (1st).....	Jan. 9, 2013	June 5, 2013	90	3,929,726
103rd (2nd).....	Jan. 8, 2014	April 17, 2014	60	2,916,323

<sup>2</sup>The number of days is from the House Journal, as the House often was in session more days than the Senate.

<sup>3</sup>Legislative expenses include the following: members' salaries and mileage, officers' salaries, employees' salaries, post-age, telephone and telegraph, supplies and incidentals, journal printing and bill drafting services. All expense figures are rounded to the nearest dollar.

<sup>4</sup>No session of the territorial Legislature was held in 1863. A federal appropriation of \$20,000 to pay expenses of this Legislature was used to pay direct war tax due from Nebraska to the U.S. treasury.

<sup>5</sup>Erroneously listed as sessions of the state Legislature, as Nebraska didn't become a state until March 1, 1867.

<sup>6</sup>Legislative expense for sixth and seventh legislative sessions.

<sup>7</sup>In June 1871, the eighth Legislature passed a concurrent resolution to adjourn until Jan. 9, 1872.

<sup>8</sup>Legislative expense for 12th and 13th legislative sessions.

**Nebraska Legislative Sessions, 1855-2014 —  
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<sup>9</sup> Includes cost of printing permanent Legislative Journal and Laws of Nebraska, which are not included in other reports set out.

<sup>10</sup> Includes \$50,000 appropriation for study of state accounting and financial organization.

<sup>11</sup> Includes extensive capital improvements, equipping offices for senators, computer bill drafting, offset printing of bills and journals, and other nonrecurring items.

<sup>12</sup> Includes legislators' per diem expenses.

**Special Sessions of the Nebraska Unicameral Legislature,  
1935-2014<sup>1</sup>**

Session	Date Convened	Purpose(s)
51st.....	Oct. 28, 1935.....	..Pass state laws needed to meet Social Security requirements of recent federal laws.
54th.....	Jan. 2, 1940.....	..Appropriate additional funds for state assistance. Make corrections in unemployment compensation and workmen's compensation laws.
57th.....	March 27, 1944.....	..Consider soldier vote bill and amendments to public power laws.
59th.....	Aug. 22, 1946.....	..Increase maximum grants for the aged and blind. Appropriate funds for administration of school lunch act and veterans' education training act. Re-enact merit system law. Consider constitutional amendment governing eligibility of state executive officers.
63rd.....	April 17, 1952.....	..Appropriate money for flood relief.
64th.....	Aug. 27, 1952.....	..Authorize purchase of test animals for treatment and eradication of livestock diseases and appropriation to provide revolving fund for such purposes. Enact law relating to swine infected with vesicular exanthema. Appropriate funds for eradication of vesicular exanthema and payment of indemnities to owners. Outlaw feeding of raw garbage to hogs or other animals on large commercial scale. Raise old age assistance benefits. Refund blanket school tax payments.
66th.....	April 20, 1954.....	..Consider constitutional amendments on revenue and taxation.
70th.....	Aug. 1, 1960.....	..Consider constitutional amendment authorizing cities and villages to issue revenue bonds, for purpose of acquiring and developing sites and buildings for lease to manufacturing and industrial enterprises. Make appropriation from General Fund surplus for Resources Division to develop research on industries and Nebraska communities.
71st.....	Dec. 12, 1960.....	..Increase salaries of state legislators.
74th.....	Oct. 21, 1963.....	..Consider remedial legislation concerning penalties invoked as a result of state Supreme Court's invalidation of Nebraska Installment Sales Act. Consider other miscellaneous matters.
76th.....	June 6, 1966.....	..Change method of valuing stock of foreign corporations, for purpose of taxation, from book value to fair market value. Amend or repeal statutory provision relating to refund of taxes and penalties.
78th.....	Jan. 3, 1968.....	..Reapportion congressional districts. Amend or repeal certain provisions of Employment Security Law.
79th.....	Dec. 9, 1968.....	..Retain present rate of state sales tax. Increase salaries of state legislators.

<sup>1</sup>Nebraska law provides that special legislative sessions may be called by the governor for specific purposes as outlined in the governor's proclamation for each special session. The special session purposes listed here include measures defeated as well as adopted by the Legislature. Source: Office of the Clerk of the Nebraska Legislature.

## Special Sessions of the Nebraska Unicameral Legislature, 1935-2014<sup>1</sup>

Session	Date Convened	Purpose(s)
81st.....	June 9, 1970.....	Eliminate or reduce required fee for issuance of replacement motor vehicle operators' licenses. Remove or adjust limitations on interest rates for bonds issued by airport and housing authorities. Make appropriations for completion of Wildlife Laboratory Building and road improvement at the Nebraska State Fairgrounds. Declare state treasurer not liable for loss when he or she invests funds at direction of state investment officer.
84th.....	Oct. 22, 1975.....	Consider appropriation laws passed by 84th Legislature's First Session. Review revenue laws as they relate to sales and income tax rates. Temporarily change formula used by State Board of Equalization for setting sales and income tax rates. Permit temporary authority to prorata, postpone and prioritize payments of state government obligations.
85th.....	June 8, 1978.....	Extend operative date of Criminal Code to Jan. 1, 1979. Enact spending limitations on government budgets.
87th (1st Special).....	Oct. 30, 1981.....	Pass governor's budget bill. Pass bill to bring Nebraska into compliance with changes in federal welfare laws.
87th (2nd Special).....	Nov. 5, 1982.....	Reduce appropriations approved by 87th Legislature's Second Session. Lapse cash and revolving funds to state General Fund. Amend laws to provide earlier date for payment of sales and use tax to tax commissioner.
88th.....	Aug. 16, 1984.....	Authorize Legislature to classify, for purposes of ad valorem taxation, land used solely for agricultural or horticultural purposes. Authorize Legislature to exempt, for purposes of ad valorem taxation, land used solely for agricultural or horticultural purposes. Permit director of Department of Banking and Finance to take possession of a domestic financial institution that is unable to meet its obligations as they mature, whose capital is impaired, that is conducting its business in an unsafe or an unauthorized manner, or that is endangering interests of depositors or savers. Permit acquisition of a domestic financial institution in the possession of the director of the Department of Banking and Finance by a nondomestic financial institution.
89th (1st Special).....	Sept. 19, 1985.....	Appropriate funds to receiver of Commonwealth Savings Co. (a Lincoln institution declared insolvent by Department of Banking and Finance).
89th (2nd Special).....	Oct. 17, 1985.....	Reduce appropriations approved by 89th Legislature's First Session. Increase Drivers Record Abstract fee. Deposit portion of sales tax on motor vehicles in state General Fund. Increase state cigarette tax. Conform state laws with Child Support Enforcement Amendments of 1984. Reduce or eliminate Fiscal Year 1986-87 budget obligations. Provide permissive authority for political subdivisions to create group insurance pools. Set maximum dollar amount to limit liability of political subdivisions subject to Political Subdivisions Tort Claims Act. Eliminate selected exemptions from state sales tax.
89th (3rd Special).....	Nov. 12, 1986.....	Adopt Farm Homestead Protection Act. Implement legislation regarding Food Security Act of 1985.
89th (4th Special).....	Dec. 5, 1986.....	Reduce appropriations approved by 89th Legislature's Second Session. Modify special education statutes.
90th.....	Nov. 11, 1988.....	Implement constitutional amendment, adopted by voters in 1988 primary election, to increase state legislators' annual salaries from \$4,800 to \$12,000.

## Special Sessions of the Nebraska Unicameral Legislature, 1935-2014<sup>1</sup>

Session	Date Convened	Purpose(s)
91st	Nov. 8, 1989	Redefine the terms real property, personal property and tangible property. Amend the statutory provisions for refunds and injunctions of property taxes. Enact legislation to extend to railroad rolling stock the same tax treatment already granted by Section 306 (1)(d) of the Federal 4-R Act and federal court interpretations of that act. Adopt a penalty for the failure to pay property taxes in a timely manner.
92nd (1st Special)	July 8, 1991	Repeal and amend the state constitution to separate tangible property into separate classes; remove the uniformity and proportionality clause from personal property; allow taxation of personal property by value or other methods; authorize the Legislature to classify and exempt certain classes of personal property. Implement legislation to assess, value and tax tangible personal property and to change the date for certifying property taxes levied by political subdivisions for tax year 1991.
92nd (2nd Special)	July 31, 1992	Correct constitutional infirmities of LB1063, a personal property tax measure passed during the regular 1992 session. Correct unconstitutional provisions of LB614, a legislative redistricting law passed during the regular 1991 session.
92nd (3rd Special)	Sept. 21, 1992	Reduce appropriations approved by 92nd Legislature's Second Session, and appropriate funds for deficit appropriations. Modify statutes covering aid to dependent children, eligibility and financing of educating state wards; medicaid services; certain capital construction projects; disposition of unclaimed property; cash fund lapses. Consolidate certain programs and operations of five state departments.
92nd (4th Special)	Nov. 5, 1992	Provide for collection of revenues. Provide for taxes declared unconstitutional to be credited or refunded. Impose a method of calculating the general interest rate. Repeal certain laws.
95th (Special)	May 13, 1998	Enact noncontroversial provisions of LB1175, an education bill passed in the 1998 regular session but vetoed by the governor.
97th (1st Special)	Oct. 25, 2001	Reduce or eliminate appropriations approved by the 97th Legislature. Enact and eliminate certain fund transfers. Modify the operation of certain cash and trust funds. Eliminate reorganization incentive payments to certain school districts or systems. Postpone the operative date for LB433, a business childcare tax credit bill passed in the 2001 legislative session.
97th (2nd Special)	July 30, 2002	Reduce or eliminate appropriations approved by the 97th Legislature. Enact and eliminate certain fund transfers. Modify certain cash fund, revolving fund and federal fund appropriations. Modify the operation of certain cash and trust funds. Modify the scheduled amount of monthly payments for state aid to schools and educational service units. Modify medicaid and related public assistance programs. Modify the County Jail Reimbursement Assistance program. Authorize court fees for certain specific purposes. Modify certain budget submission and prioritization date requirements.
97th (3rd Special)	Nov. 7, 2002	Enact procedures for jury participation in the first-degree murder sentencing process as required by the U.S. Supreme Court decision, <i>King v. Arizona</i> . Establish lethal injection as a means of enforcing a sentence of death.
100th	Nov. 14, 2008	Enact legislation to limit the application of LB157, a safe haven bill passed in the regular 2008 session, by reducing the maximum age of children to whom the statute applies.

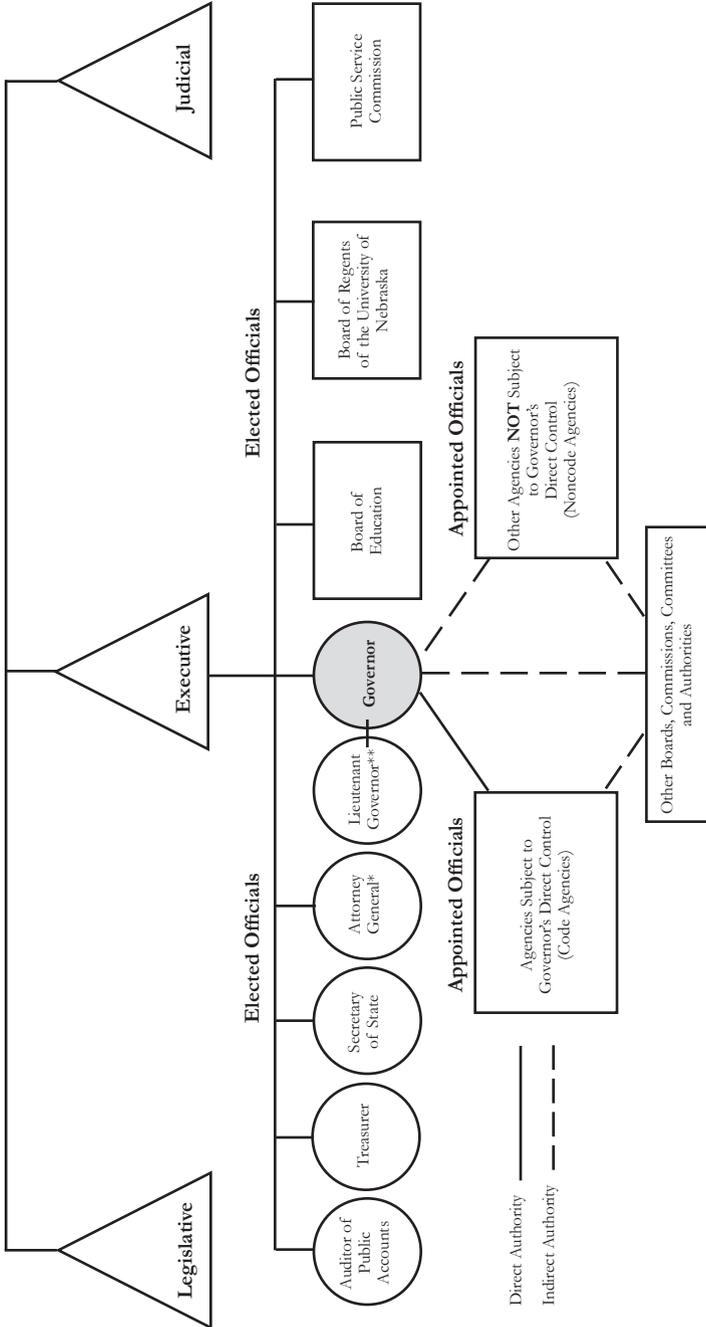
**Special Sessions of the Nebraska Unicameral Legislature,  
1935-2014<sup>1</sup>**

Session	Date Convened	Purpose(s)
101st.....	Nov. 4, 2009.....	Reduce or eliminate appropriations and reappropriations approved by the 101st Legislature. Reduce or eliminate certain transfers from the state general fund. Authorize, increase or make certain transfers to the state general fund or to certain cash funds. Modify or eliminate intent language and earmarks accompanying appropriations approved by the 101st Legislature. Adopt statutory modifications necessary to reduce state aid appropriations and make formula adjustments contained in the Tax Equity and Educational Opportunities Support Act.
102nd.....	Nov. 1, 2011.....	Consider legislation relating to oil pipelines.



**STATE EXECUTIVE BRANCH**

Nebraska State Government Organization — Executive Branch<sup>1</sup>



\* Department of Justice.

\*\* Lieutenant governor selected by the governor as part of the election process

<sup>1</sup> Source: Governor's Policy Research Office.

# STATE EXECUTIVE BRANCH<sup>1</sup>

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The executive branch of Nebraska's state government has six officers, several departments and other governmental agencies and bodies.

Executive officers authorized by the state constitution, Article IV, Section 1, are the governor, lieutenant governor, secretary of state, auditor of public accounts, treasurer and attorney general. Other elected executive officials are the members of the State Board of Education, the Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska and the Public Service Commission.

Executive officers are elected by popular vote to four-year terms, except the lieutenant governor, who is appointed by the governor as part of the election process. The governor and treasurer may serve only two consecutive terms; other executive officers may serve an unlimited number of terms.

The executive branch has departments, agencies, boards, commissions, committees, councils, authorities and other governmental bodies. Some were established in the state constitution, others were established by statute or created by executive order of the governor.

The full-fledged departments and agencies of state government are either code agencies or noncode agencies. Code agencies are subject to the governor's direct control. The directors of code agencies serve at the pleasure of the governor and are directly accountable to him or her. Noncode agencies are not subject to the governor's direct control. The offices of the lieutenant governor, secretary of state, auditor of public accounts, attorney general and treasurer are considered to be noncode agencies. Both code and noncode agencies are full-fledged agencies, meaning they have their own staff, are affiliated with no other agency and appear as distinct items in the state budget.

**Editor's note:** The following descriptions of state government departments, agencies, offices and other entities were compiled with help from the Governor's Policy Research Office, the Legislature's Office of the Revisor of Statutes, the Legislative Fiscal Office and the agencies and offices themselves. All statutory references in this section indicate the location in the Nebraska Constitution or the Revised Statutes of Nebraska where each governmental body was established.

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<sup>1</sup> Source: Governor's Policy Research Office.

# ELECTED EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

## Governor

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**Governor:** Pete Ricketts

**Statutory References:** Nebraska Constitution, Article IV, Section 1; and 84-101

**Salary:** \$105,000

**Publications:** Governor's message printed in pamphlet form when delivered and in the Legislative Journal; budget message printed in pamphlet form when delivered and in the Legislative Journal

According to Nebraska's constitution, the supreme executive power of the state is vested in the governor. It is the governor's duty "to take care that the laws be faithfully executed and the affairs of the state efficiently and economically administered."

The governor is the chief budget officer and must present the Legislature with a complete budget for all expenditures used in running the state's regular business. The Legislature may, by a three-fifths majority vote, appropriate more than the governor recommends for any given purpose.

By law, the governor also must:

- give information by message to the Legislature
- give accounts of all money received and spent
- appoint certain officers as required by the constitution and statutes and fill vacancies in state offices
  - serve as commander-in-chief of the national and state guards
  - sign or veto bills passed by the Legislature
  - call elections to fill vacancies for members of the U.S. Congress
  - certify notaries
  - issue requisitions for the return of accused persons to Nebraska and other states and countries
  - enforce criminal laws

The governor is the chairperson of the Board of State Canvassers and the Board of Pardons. The governor is a member of the State Records Board, Nebraska Capitol Commission, Education Commission of the States, State Board of Health, Interstate Oil and Gas Compact Commission, Nebraska Hall of Fame Commission, Nebraska Commission on Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice and other groups as provided by law.

When Nebraska was a territory, the U.S. president appointed the governor to a four-year term. The territorial governor received a \$2,500 salary.

Nebraska's first state constitution, adopted in 1866, called for the people to elect a governor to a two-year term. The governor's duties were prescribed by an act approved on June 24, 1867.

In 1962, voters approved a constitutional amendment providing that the governor

would be elected to a four-year term beginning in 1966. A 1966 general election vote provided that the governor could serve only two consecutive terms. To run for governor, a person must be a resident of Nebraska for at least five years before the election and be at least 30 years old.

The governor's salary was \$1,000 until raised by the constitution of 1875 to \$2,500. The constitution of 1920 fixed the governor's salary at \$7,500 until otherwise provided by law. The 1933 Legislature reduced the salaries of the governor and certain constitutional officers, but the Nebraska Supreme Court declared the act unconstitutional (129 Neb. 669-699). In 1947, the Legislature increased the governor's salary to \$10,000, and the 1951 Legislature raised the salary to \$11,000 effective in 1957. The delayed increase was because Article IV, Section 25 of the state constitution provided that no constitutional officer salary could be changed more than once in eight years. In 1956, a general election vote repealed this salary restriction. Lawmakers boosted the salary to \$14,000 in 1963. Since then, senators have gradually increased the salary to its current level of \$105,000.

From 1889 to 1899, the state paid the rent on a residence for the governor, except during the incumbency of Gov. Lorenzo Crouse (1893-95), who refused to accept the additional payments. In 1899, the Legislature spent \$25,000 to buy and furnish an executive mansion. Of this sum, \$21,385.30 was spent. The 1945 Legislature approved a new Georgian Colonial-style mansion to be built at a cost of \$200,000 and completed in early 1958.

By 1997, 40 years of use had taken a toll on the mansion. First Lady Diane Nelson led a fund-raising effort to restore the governor's mansion to its original condition. After renovations were completed, the mansion was reopened to the public in August 1998.

Gov. Mike Johanns and First Lady Stephanie Johanns launched a landscaping renewal project for the governor's residence grounds in November 2001. Private donations paid for most of the project. The state allocated money to make the mansion wheelchair accessible and to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act.

First Lady Sally Ganem established the Friends of the Governors Residence in 2006, which raised funds for technology modernization projects including a virtual tour of the residence.

In August 2007, Gov. Dave Heineman and First Lady Ganem celebrated the 50th anniversary of the governor's residence by hosting a week-long celebration for Nebraskans. The anniversary was commemorated with the release of "Inspired Recipes from Nebraska," featuring favorite recipes from governors, senators and other Nebraska leaders.

In 2008, the residence was added to the National Registry of Historic Places.

## Nebraska Governor, 2015



### PETE RICKETTS

**Governor's Residence Address:** Governor's Residence, 1425 H St., Lincoln, NE 68508

**Office Address:** State Capitol, Second Floor, Room 2316, P.O. Box 94848, Lincoln, NE 68509-4848, phone (402) 471-2244

**Elected Governor:** 2014

**Political Party:** Republican

**Biography:** Born Aug. 19, 1964, in Nebraska City. Graduate of Westside High School, 1982; University of Chicago (B.A.), 1986 and (M.B.A.) 1991. Married Susanne Shore, May 17, 1997; three children: Roscoe, Margot and Eleanor. Former: founder, Drakon, LLC; senior vice president, president and chief operating officer, Ameritrade; sales representative, Woodward Clyde Consultants; customer service representative, Union Pacific. **Member:** director, Mid-America Council of the Boy Scouts; director, Christian Urban Education Foundation; director, Children's Scholarship Fund Foundation; director, Nebraska Game and Parks Foundation;

director, Chicago Cubs; board of advisors, Opportunity Education Foundation; Archbishop's Committee for Development; Knights of Columbus; Knight of the Holy Sepulchre; St. Margaret Mary's Church. **Former member:** director, Bellevue University (treasurer, 2012-13); national committeeman, Republican National Committee, 2007-12; director, TD Ameritrade, 1999-2006, 2007-14; trustee, American Enterprise Institute, 2007-13; Children's Scholarship Fund, 2007-12 (chair 2009-10); board, Community Health Charities, 2007-11.

# Nebraska Governors, 1854-2015

## Territorial

Francis Burt.....	1854 <sup>1</sup>	J. Sterling Morton.....	1858-1859 <sup>6</sup>
Thomas B. Cuming.....	1854-1855 <sup>2</sup>		1861 <sup>8</sup>
	1857-1858 <sup>4</sup>	Samuel W. Black.....	1859-1861 <sup>7</sup>
Mark W. Izard.....	1855-1857 <sup>3</sup>	Algernon S. Paddock.....	1861 <sup>9</sup>
William A. Richardson.....	1858 <sup>5</sup>	Alvin Saunders.....	1861-1867

## State

David Butler (R) <sup>10</sup> .....	1867-1871 <sup>11</sup>	Charles W. Bryan (D).....	1923-1925
William H. James (R).....	1871-1873 <sup>12</sup>		1931-1935
Robert W. Furnas (R).....	1873-1875	Adam McMullen (R).....	1925-1929
Silas Garber (R).....	1875-1879	Arthur J. Weaver (R).....	1929-1931
Albinus Nance (R).....	1879-1883	Robert Leroy Cochran (D).....	1935-1941
James W. Daves (R).....	1883-1887	Dwight Griswold (R).....	1941-1947
John M. Thayer (R).....	1887-1891	Val Peterson (R).....	1947-1953
	1891-1892 <sup>13</sup>	Robert B. Crosby (R).....	1953-1955
James E. Boyd (D).....	1891	Victor E. Anderson (R).....	1955-1959
	1892-1893 <sup>14</sup>	Ralph G. Brooks (D).....	1959-1960 <sup>17</sup>
Lorenzo Crouse (R).....	1893-1895	Dwight W. Burney (R).....	1960-1961 <sup>18</sup>
Silas A. Holcomb (F).....	1895-1899	Frank B. Morrison (D).....	1961-1967
William A. Poynter (F).....	1899-1901	Norbert T. Tiemann (R).....	1967-1971
Charles H. Dietrich (R).....	1901 <sup>15</sup>	J. James Exon (D).....	1971-1979
Ezra P. Savage (R).....	1901-1903 <sup>16</sup>	Charles Thone (R).....	1979-1983
John H. Mickey (R).....	1903-1907	J. Robert Kerrey (D).....	1983-1987
George L. Sheldon (R).....	1907-1909	Kay A. Orr (R).....	1987-1991
Ashton C. Shallenberger (D).....	1909-1911	E. Benjamin Nelson (D).....	1991-1999
Chester H. Aldrich (R).....	1911-1913	Mike Johanns (R).....	1999-2005 <sup>19</sup>
John H. Morehead (D).....	1913-1917	David Heineman (R).....	2005 <sup>20</sup> -2015
Keith Neville (D).....	1917-1919	Pete Ricketts (R).....	2015-
Samuel R. McKelvie (R).....	1919-1923		

<sup>1</sup> Died Oct. 18, 1854.

<sup>2</sup> Acting governor upon the death of Gov. Burt.

<sup>3</sup> Resigned Oct. 25, 1857.

<sup>4</sup> Acting governor upon resignation of Gov. Izard.

<sup>5</sup> Resigned Dec. 5, 1858.

<sup>6</sup> Acting governor upon resignation of Gov. Richardson.

<sup>7</sup> Resigned Feb. 24, 1861.

<sup>8</sup> Acting governor upon resignation of Gov. Black.

<sup>9</sup> Acting governor.

<sup>10</sup> Political affiliation: R=Republican; D=Democrat; F=Fusion (composed of Populists and Democrats).

<sup>11</sup> Elected in 1866, but did not take office until after Nebraska became a state. Impeached.

<sup>12</sup> Acting governor until inauguration of Gov. Furnas.

<sup>13</sup> In office 1887 to Jan. 15, 1891; May 5, 1891, to Feb. 8, 1892.

<sup>14</sup> Election contested by Gov. John M. Thayer. Suit delayed final seating of Gov. Boyd. In office Jan. 15, 1891, to May 5, 1891; Feb. 8, 1892, to 1893.

<sup>15</sup> In office from Jan. 3, 1901, to May 1, 1901. Resigned.

<sup>16</sup> Acting governor upon resignation of Gov. Dietrich.

<sup>17</sup> Died Sept. 9, 1960.

<sup>18</sup> Acting governor from Sept. 9, 1960, to Jan. 5, 1961.

<sup>19</sup> Resigned Jan. 21, 2005, to become the U.S. Secretary of Agriculture.

<sup>20</sup> Became governor upon resignation of Gov. Mike Johanns. Elected in 2006.

*Governor's Policy Research Office*

**Office:** Room 1319, State Capitol, P.O. Box 94601, Lincoln, NE 68509-4601, phone (402) 471-2414, fax (402) 471-2528

**Director:** Lauren L. Kintner

The Governor's Policy Research Office is a division of the governor's office. The director is a cabinet level position and serves at the governor's pleasure.

**Statutory Reference:** 84-133

The Governor's Policy Research Office, created by the 1979 Legislature, replaced the Office of Planning and Programming, created in 1969. The office helps the governor develop and review state government policy. When needed, the office coordinates and directs multiagency programs or special programs not fitting any particular agency. The office enhances the governor's executive capability.

A small professional staff assist the governor to analyze policy options, promote executive branch cooperation and efficiency, review proposed rules and regulations, respond to public inquiries and research state and national trends. The office monitors all federal legislation that impacts state government and serves as the governor's representative to the National Governors Association. The office monitors legislative bills, coordinates legislative activities of code agencies and coordinates the development and promotion of the governor's legislative agenda.

The agency is organized on a functional basis. Advisors in assigned policy areas serve as liaisons for the governor with state and federal agencies, local political subdivisions, constituents and other public and private entities. Advisors attend legislative briefings and hearings, meetings with state senators, legislative staff, agencies and registered lobbyists representing the governor and the interests of the state. Advisors also represent the governor on boards and commissions, councils and committees when the governor is unable to designate a representative.

## Lieutenant Governor

**Office:** Room 2315, State Capitol, P.O. Box 94863, Lincoln, NE 68509-4863, phone (402) 471-2256, email address — [mike.foley@nebraska.gov](mailto:mike.foley@nebraska.gov), website — [www.ltgov.ne.gov](http://www.ltgov.ne.gov)

**Lieutenant Governor:** Mike Foley

**Statutory Reference:** Nebraska Constitution, Article IV, Section 1

**Salary:** \$75,000

The Nebraska Constitution of 1875 made the first provision for a lieutenant governor. By law, the lieutenant governor:

- presides over the Legislature
- acts as governor when the governor is out of the state or incapacitated
- becomes governor in case of a vacancy or when the governor is permanently incapacitated
- performs duties assigned by the governor

Nebraska's lieutenant governor also serves as director of homeland security for the state, chairman of the Nebraska Information Technology Commission and chairman of the Governor's Homeland Security Policy Group.

Before 1971, the office of lieutenant governor was part-time except during the biennial legislative session. When the Legislature began meeting annually, the office became full-time.

In 1962, voters approved a constitutional amendment providing that the lieutenant governor would be elected to a four-year term beginning in 1966. Before then, lieutenant governors were elected to two-year terms. From 1974 until 2002, the governor and lieutenant governor, by constitutional amendment, secured nominations at the primary election in their respective parties, then ran in the general election on one ticket from the same political party. Beginning in 2002, gubernatorial candidates choose their nominee for lieutenant governor after winning their respective parties' primary elections.

Nebraska's constitution of 1875 provided that the lieutenant governor receive twice the compensation of a state senator. The lieutenant governor's salary advanced from \$6 per day during the session of the 1875 Legislature to \$7,500 per year in 1969. The lieutenant governor's salary was increased to \$25,000 per year in 1975, to \$32,000 in 1979, to \$40,000 in 1987, to \$47,000 in 1991, to \$60,000 in 2003 and to \$75,000 in 2006.

## Nebraska Lieutenant Governor, 2015



### MIKE FOLEY

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**Elected Lieutenant Governor:** 2014

**Political Party:** Republican

**Biography:** Born April 5, 1954, in Rochester, N.Y. Graduate of Bishop Kearney High School in Rochester, N.Y., 1972; State University of New York at Brockport (B.S.), 1976; Michigan State University (M.B.A.), 1978. Married Susan Seiker, Aug. 3, 1990; six children: Laura, Matthew, Marie, Elizabeth, Peter and Andrew. Registered appraiser. Former: state senator, 2000-2006; corporate planning analyst, Nebraska Public Power District; director of financial analysis, National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners, 1979-1997; consultant, Kirschner Association, 1978-79; summer positions with U.S. Congressman Michael Harrington, U.S. Department of Transportation and U.S. International Trade Commission; Advisory Neighborhood Commissioner, Washington, D.C., 1984. **Member:** St. Peter's Catholic Church; Legion of Mary.

hood Commissioner, Washington, D.C., 1984. **Member:** St. Peter's Catholic Church; Legion of Mary.

## Nebraska Lieutenant Governors, 1877-2015

Othman A. Abbott (R) <sup>1</sup> .....	1877-1879	William E. Johnson (R) .....	1939-1943
Edmund C. Carns (R) .....	1879-1883	Roy W. Johnson (R) .....	1943-1947
A. W. Agee (R) .....	1883-1885	Robert B. Crosby (R) .....	1947-1949
H. H. Shedd (R) .....	1885-1889	Charles J. Warner (R) .....	1949-1955 <sup>4</sup>
George D. Meiklejohn (R) .....	1889-1891	Dwight W. Burney (R) .....	1957-1965
Thomas J. Majors (R) .....	1891-1895	Philip C. Sorensen (D) .....	1965-1967
Robert E. Moore (R) .....	1895-1897	John E. Everroad (R) .....	1967-1971
James E. Harris (F) .....	1897-1899	Frank Marsh (R) .....	1971-1975
E. A. Gilbert (F) .....	1899-1901	Gerald T. Whelan (D) .....	1975-1979
Ezra P. Savage (R) .....	1901-1903	Roland A. Luedtke (R) .....	1979-1983
Edmund G. McGilton (R) .....	1903-1907	Donald F. McGinley (D) .....	1983-1987
M. R. Hopewell (R) .....	1907-1911 <sup>2</sup>	William E. Nichol (R) .....	1987-1991
Samuel R. McKelvie (R) .....	1913-1915	Maxine B. Moul (D) .....	1991-1993 <sup>5</sup>
James Pearson (D) .....	1915-1917	Kim M. Robak (D) .....	1993-1999 <sup>6</sup>
Edgar Howard (D) .....	1917-1919	David I. Maurstad (R) .....	1999-2001 <sup>7</sup>
Pelham A. Barrows (R) .....	1919-1923	David Heineman (R) .....	2001 <sup>8</sup> -2005 <sup>9</sup>
Fred G. Johnson (R) .....	1923-1925	Richard Sheehy (R) .....	2005 <sup>10</sup> -2013 <sup>11</sup>
George A. Williams (R) .....	1925-1931	Lavon Heidemann (R) .....	2013 <sup>12</sup> -2014 <sup>13</sup>
Theodore Metcalfe (R) .....	1931-1933	John E. Nelson (R) .....	2014 <sup>14</sup> -2015
Walter H. Jurgensen (D) .....	1933-1938	Mike Foley (R) .....	2015-
Nate M. Parsons (D) .....	1938-1939 <sup>3</sup>		

<sup>1</sup> Political affiliation: R=Republican; D=Democrat; F=Fusion (composed of Populists and Democrats).

<sup>2</sup> Died May 2, 1911.

<sup>3</sup> Elected to fill unexpired term. In office Nov. 8, 1938, to Jan. 5, 1939.

<sup>4</sup> Died Sept. 24, 1955.

<sup>5</sup> Resigned.

<sup>6</sup> Appointed to finish term of Maxine Moul, who resigned. Elected in 1994.

<sup>7</sup> Resigned to become a regional director for the Federal Emergency Management Agency.<sup>7</sup>

<sup>8</sup> Appointed to finish term of David I. Maurstad, who resigned.

<sup>9</sup> Resigned to become governor.

<sup>10</sup> Appointed Jan. 24, 2005, to finish term of David Heineman, who resigned. Elected in 2006.

<sup>11</sup> Resigned Feb. 2, 2013.

<sup>12</sup> Appointed Feb. 13, 2013, to finish term of Richard Sheehy, who resigned.

<sup>13</sup> Resigned Sept. 9, 2014.

<sup>14</sup> Appointed Sept. 29, 2014, to finish term of Lavon Heidemann, who resigned.

## Secretary of State

**Office:** Room 2300, State Capitol, P.O. Box 94608, Lincoln, NE 68509-4608, phone (402) 471-2554, fax (402) 471-3237, email address — [sosinfo@nebraska.gov](mailto:sosinfo@nebraska.gov), website — [www.sos.ne.gov](http://www.sos.ne.gov)

**Secretary of State:** John A. Gale

**Statutory References:** Nebraska Constitution, Article IV, Section 1; and 84-502

**Salary:** \$85,000

**Publications:** Nebraska Constitution, Canvassing Board Report, State Election Law Manual

The Office of the Secretary of State dates to 1854, when the first territorial secretary was appointed. In 1964, voters approved a constitutional amendment changing the term of the secretary of state from two years to four years beginning with the 1966 general election.

Since its beginning, the office has functioned as a filing office and repository of official state records. Over time, the office has acquired numerous other duties. The office oversees the following areas: elections, business registry services, occupational licensing, state agency rules and regulations, records management and international relations.

The secretary of state serves as the state's chief election officer. Working with election officials in the state's 93 counties, the office's Elections Division oversees election law, the conduct of elections in the state, election tabulation equipment and the state voter registration system. The division accepts candidate filings and tabulates results for statewide, legislative, judicial retention and certain district elections. The division oversees filings for statewide initiative and referendum petitions.

The secretary of state's office actively promotes election law reform, voter education and voter turnout. The office reaches over 100,000 students in every statewide election year through various programs designed to teach the practices of good citizenship, such as voting and community service. The office sponsors Nebraska Student Vote, Honor a Veteran and Youth Election Services. The office also promotes voter registration and voting at Nebraska college campuses and participates in Cornhusker Boys State.

The office's Business Services Division provides several important functions for businesses in the state. Registrations are recorded for corporations, limited liability companies, limited partnerships, limited liability partnerships, trade names and trademarks. The division is the repository of Uniform Commercial Code, agriculture-related and other security interest filings. The division regulates notary public commissions and handles apostilles and authentications (documents going to other countries). The office also has launched 35 online services to ease access to record keeping and banking for entities doing business in Nebraska.

The office's Licensing Division protects the public interest by licensing or registering several occupations. The division oversees collection agencies, debt management agencies, credit services organizations, private detectives, truth and deception examiners, athlete agents and nonrecourse civil litigation funding companies.

The office maintains the Nebraska Administrative Code. The office is responsible for the filing and certification of state agency rules and regulations, and making them available for public inspection.

The secretary of state serves as the state records administrator. The office's Records Management Division assists state and local government agencies in managing the creation, use, storage and disposal of records in an efficient and economical manner. The division provides services and does consulting for government agencies. Services include the storage of state records and the conversion of records into different formats for storage. The division facilitates and publishes the creation and update of records retention and disposition schedules for all Nebraska government entities.

The secretary of state also serves as the state's chief protocol officer for international relations. In that role, the secretary serves as a goodwill ambassador and promotes commerce, educational studies and cultural exchanges between Nebraska and the world. The office has hosted five diplomatic conferences where diplomats have come to Nebraska to learn about the state, and two foreign affairs symposiums to discuss Nebraska trade practices. The office also cooperates with the Nebraska Department of Agriculture and the Nebraska Department of Economic Development on additional trade and protocol events.

The secretary of state is the official keeper of the Great Seal of the State of Nebraska, affixing it to official government documents to validate them. The office is the repository for all public acts, laws and resolutions passed by the Legislature, and bonds and oaths of state elected and appointed officers.

The secretary of state also serves in various capacities on numerous state boards and commissions:

- chairperson, State Real Estate Commission
- chairperson, State Records Board<sup>2</sup>
- chairperson, Nebraska Collection Agency Licensing Board<sup>3</sup>
- secretary, State Board of Pardons
- secretary, State Board of Canvassers
- member, Nebraska Accountability and Disclosure Commission

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<sup>2</sup>See Pages 424-425 for details on the State Records Board.

<sup>3</sup>See Page 424 for details on the Nebraska Collection Agency Licensing Board.

## Nebraska Secretary of State, 2015



### JOHN A. GALE

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**Office Address:** Room 2300, State Capitol, P.O. Box 94608, Lincoln, NE 68509-4608, phone (402) 471-1572

**Appointed Secretary of State:** Dec. 18, 2000; elected 2002; re-elected 2006, 2010 and 2014

**Political Party:** Republican

**Biography:** Born Oct. 23, 1940. Graduate of Omaha North High School; Carleton College, Northfield, Minn. (B.A. in government and international relations), 1962; University of Chicago Law School (J.D.), 1965. Married Carol, May 25, 1991; three children: David, Elaine and Steven; five grandchildren. Former: practicing attorney, North Platte, 1971-2000; assistant U.S. attorney, Omaha and Lincoln, 1970-71; legislative aid, U.S. Senator Roman Hruska, 1968-1970; Northern Natural Gas Co. Law Department, Omaha, 1965-68. **Member:** board, Boy's State of Nebraska; standards board, U.S. Election Assistance Commission; board, National Association of Secretaries of State; sponsor, annual Nebraska statehood birthday parties;

co-sponsor, annual Capitol Forum on America's Future; sponsor, Nebraska Student Vote; co-sponsor, Youth Election Service. **Former member:** board, NebraskaLAND Foundation; Nebraska Election Reform Task Force (chairman); Vote Nebraska Initiative Task Force (chairman); Nebraska Quarter Design Committee (chairman); Technical Guidelines Development Committee, U.S. Election Assistance Commission; chairman, Nebraska Republican Party (1986); assistant chairman, Nebraska Republican Party (1972-74); general counsel, Nebraska Republican Party (1975); Nebraska State Advisory Committee, U.S. Civil Rights Commission (chairman, 1972-75); North Platte Jaycees; North Platte Chamber of Commerce; North Platte United Way; Tri-Trails Boy Scouts, AYSO Soccer; Great Plains Regional Medical Center; Sunrise Rotary Club (president); Lincoln County Bar Association (president); 11th Judicial District Bar Association (president); Rotary District 5630 (lieutenant governor).

## Nebraska Territorial Secretaries and Secretaries of State, 1854-2015

### Territorial

Thomas B. Cuming.....1854-1858 <sup>1</sup>	J. Sterling Morton.....1858-1861
John B. Motley.....1858 <sup>2</sup>	Algernon S. Paddock.....1861-1867

### State

Thomas P. Kennard (R) <sup>3</sup> .....1867-1871 <sup>4</sup>	George C. Junkin (R).....1907-1911
William H. James (R).....1871-1873	Addison Wait (R).....1911-1915
John J. Gosper (R).....1873-1875	Charles W. Pool (D).....1915-1919
Bruno Tzschuck (R).....1875-1879	1923-1927
S. J. Alexander (R).....1879-1883	Darius M. Amsberry (R).....1919-1923
Edward P. Roggen (R).....1883-1887	Frank Marsh (R).....1927-1933
Gilbert L. Laws (R).....1887-1889 <sup>5</sup>	1941-1951 <sup>7</sup>
Benjamin R. Cowdery (R).....1889-1891 <sup>6</sup>	Harry R. Swanson (D).....1933-1941
John C. Allen (R).....1891-1895	James S. Pittenger (R).....1951-1953 <sup>8</sup>
Joel A. Piper (R).....1895-1897	Frank Marsh (R).....1953-1971
William F. Porter (F).....1897-1901	Allen J. Beermann (R).....1971-1995
George W. Marsh (R).....1901-1905	Scott Moore (R).....1995-2000
A. Galusha (R).....1905-1907	John A. Gale, (R).....2000 <sup>9</sup> -

<sup>1</sup> Died March 23, 1858.

<sup>2</sup> Acting secretary.

<sup>3</sup> Political affiliation: R=Republican; D=Democrat; F=Fusion (composed of Populists and Democrats).

<sup>4</sup> Term of office began Feb. 21, 1867.

<sup>5</sup> Resigned Nov. 20, 1889, to fill unexpired term in Congress caused by the death of James Laird.

<sup>6</sup> Appointed to fill vacancy.

<sup>7</sup> Died Feb. 9, 1951.

<sup>8</sup> Appointed Feb. 10, 1951, to fill vacancy.

<sup>9</sup> Appointed Dec. 18, 2000, to fill vacancy.

*Nebraska Collection Agency Licensing Board*

**Office:** Licensing Division, Office of the Secretary of State, Room 1305, State Capitol, P.O. Box 94608, Lincoln, NE 68509, phone (402) 471-8606

**Licensing Director:** David L. Wilson, Jr.

**Statutory Reference:** 45-603

The Collection Agency Licensing Board reviews applications for collection agency licenses. Any person, firm, corporation or association conducting business as a collection agency must be licensed and obtain a bond.

The board is responsible for the administration of the Collection Agency Licensing Act. The board investigates the qualifications of each applicant and, based on the investigation, may issue or refuse to issue a license.

The secretary of state is the chairperson of the board. The governor appoints four members. Three members, one from each of the state’s congressional districts, are licensees engaged in the collection business. The remaining member is appointed at large as a representative of the public and is not a licensee. The terms of office are four years. Members are reimbursed for their actual expenses. All expenses, salaries and expenditures are paid out of the Nebraska Collection Agency Cash Fund.

<b>Member</b>	<b>Represents</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Shiela Cain, Lincoln .....	1st District .....	Sept. 9, 2015
Greg Hogenmiller, Omaha .....	2nd District .....	Sept. 9, 2017
Steve Lindgren, Lincoln .....	Public At Large .....	Sept. 9, 2015
Micheal Morledge, Grand Island .....	3rd District .....	Sept. 9, 2017
John A. Gale, Lincoln (Chairman) .....	Secretary of State .....	Nonexpiring

*State Records Board*

**Office:** Records Management Division, Office of the Secretary of State, 440 S. Eighth St., Suite 210, Lincoln, NE 68508, phone (402) 471-2745

**Executive Director:** Cathy Danahy

**Statutory Reference:** 84-1204

The State Records Board provides electronic access to state government records, information and services through an Internet portal. The board has authority to enter into agreements regarding the management of the portal, provide oversight of the portal manager and set reasonable fees for electronic access. The board also advises and assists the secretary of state, who serves as the state records administrator, in the performance of his or her duties under the Records Management Act.

The secretary of state serves as chairperson of the 12-member State Records Board. Other state officials on the board include the governor, attorney general, auditor of public accounts, state treasurer and director of administrative services, or their designees. The board also includes six members appointed by the governor, one from each of the following constituencies: banking, insurance, law, libraries, news media and the general public.

<b>Member</b>	<b>Represents</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Brian Buescher, Omaha .....	Law.....	July 16, 2015
Brenda Ealey, Lincoln.....	Libraries.....	July 16, 2017
Scott Keene, Lincoln .....	Insurance.....	July 16, 2016
Mike Konz, Kearney.....	News Media .....	July 16, 2016
Greg Osborn, Lincoln.....	General Public.....	July 16, 2015
Crystal Wichita, Lincoln.....	Banking Industry .....	July 16, 2017
Larry Bare, Lincoln.....	Acting Director of Administrative Services.....	Nonexpiring
John A. Gale, Lincoln.....	State Records Administrator (Secretary of State).....	Nonexpiring
Charlie Janssen, Fremont.....	Auditor of Public Accounts.....	Nonexpiring
Douglas J. Peterson, Lincoln .....	Attorney General.....	Nonexpiring
Pete Ricketts, Lincoln/Omaha.....	Governor.....	Nonexpiring
Don Stenberg, Lincoln.....	State Treasurer.....	Nonexpiring

## State Treasurer

**Office:** Room 2005, State Capitol, P.O. Box 94788, Lincoln, NE 68509-4788, phone (402) 471-2455, website — [www.treasurer.org](http://www.treasurer.org)

**State Treasurer:** Don Stenberg

**Statutory References:** Nebraska Constitution, Article IV, Section 1; 84-601

**Salary:** \$85,000

**Publications:** Biennial report; monthly statement

Duties of the state treasurer include:

- receiving and keeping money of the state not expressly required to be received and kept by some other state official
- disbursing public money upon warrants drawn upon the state treasury according to law, and not otherwise
- keeping a true and comprehensive account of money received and disbursed
- keeping a just account with each fund, and each head of appropriation made by law, and the warrants drawn against them
- reporting to the Legislature within 10 days after the beginning of each regular session a detailed statement of the condition of the state treasury and its operations for the preceding fiscal year
- giving written information to the Legislature, whenever required, upon any subject connected with the treasury or duties of the treasurer's office
- recording purchases made by the state investment officer
- safekeeping securities purchased for the trust funds and state agencies
- accounting and paying for money received by him or her as treasurer to the successor in office, and delivery of books and records of the office to him or her

The state treasurer is required to deposit, and at all times keep on deposit for safekeeping, the money in his or her hands belonging to the several current funds in the state treasury in state or national banks or in banks doing business in Nebraska of approved standing and responsibility.

The state treasurer administers the Uniform Disposition of Unclaimed Property Act. Under the act, unclaimed funds such as inactive bank accounts, uncashed checks, stock shares, insurance proceeds and utility deposits are remitted to the state treasurer's office. The state treasurer then tries to locate the owners and return the funds owed to them. Funds that are not returned to claimants are deposited in the Permanent School Fund, and the interest from this fund is distributed to Nebraska school districts.

The state treasurer is responsible for administering the Nebraska College Savings Program, which began operations on Jan. 1, 2001, and the Nebraska Long-Term Care Savings Program.

The state of Nebraska has implemented a statewide system for receipt, distribution and disbursement of child support. The state treasurer is responsible for receipting and disbursing child support payments. The Health and Human Services System is responsible for providing the state treasurer with distribution instructions for the disbursement of child support.

The state treasurer is a member of the Board of State Canvassers, the State Investment Council, the Quality Jobs Act Board and the State Records Board.

By the Organic Act of 1854, the governor and secretary of Nebraska Territory expended the funds appropriated by the U.S. government. An act of the territorial assembly, approved on March 16, 1855, created the treasurer's office. The state constitutions of 1866 and 1875 provided for this office.

In 1964, voters approved a constitutional amendment changing the term of the state treasurer from two years to four years starting with the 1966 general election. No state treasurer may serve more than two consecutive terms.

## Nebraska State Treasurer, 2015



### DON STENBERG

**Office Address:** Room 2005, State Capitol, P.O. Box 94788, Lincoln, NE 68509-4788, phone (402) 471-2455, email address — [nst.info@nebraska.gov](mailto:nst.info@nebraska.gov)

**Elected State Treasurer:** 2010; re-elected 2014

**Political Party:** Republican

**Biography:** Born Sept. 30, 1948, in David City. Graduate of Tekamah High School, 1966; University of Nebraska-Lincoln, 1970; Harvard Law School (J.D., cum laude), 1974; Harvard Business School (MBA), 1974. Married Sue Hoegemeyer in 1971; four children. Former: Nebraska Attorney General; director, Nebraska Department of Administrative Services; director, Governor's Policy Research Office; private practice attorney. **Member:** Phi Beta Kappa; policy advisory board, Washington Legal Foundation. **Former member:** Federalism working group, U.S. Chamber of Commerce. **Honors and awards:** 2014 Presidential Distinguished Service Award, National Association of Unclaimed Property Administrators; 2000 Government Official of the Year, Nebraska Fertilizer and Ag-Chemical Institute; 1999 Public Policy Award, Nebraska Coalition for Victims of Crime; 1997 Business Champion Award, Lincoln Independent Business Association.

## Nebraska State Treasurers, 1855-2015

### Territorial

Benjamin P. Rankin.....1855 <sup>1</sup>	Augustus Kountze.....1861-1867
William W. Wyman.....1855-1861	

### State

Augustus Kountze (R) <sup>2</sup> .....1867-1869 <sup>3</sup>	Walter H. Jensen (D).....1937-1939
James Sweet (R).....1869-1871	John Havekost (D).....1939-1941 <sup>7</sup>
Henry A. Koenig (R).....1871-1875	L. B. Johnson (R).....1941-1943
J. C. McBride (R).....1875-1879	Carl G. Swanson (R).....1943-1945 <sup>8</sup>
George M. Bartlett (R).....1879-1883	Edward Gillette (R).....1946-1951 <sup>9</sup>
Phelps D. Sturdevant (F).....1883-1885	Frank B. Heintze (R).....1951-1955
Charles H. Willard (R).....1885-1889	Ralph W. Hill (R).....1955-1958 <sup>10</sup>
John E. Hill (R).....1889-1893	Bertha I. Hill (R).....1958-1959 <sup>11</sup>
Joseph S. Bartley (R).....1893-1897	Richard R. Larsen (D).....1959-1961
John B. Meserve (F).....1897-1901	Clarence L.E. Swanson (R).....1961-1964 <sup>12</sup>
William Stuefer (R).....1901-1903	P. Merle Humphries (R).....1964-1965 <sup>13</sup>
Peter Mortensen (R).....1903-1907	Fred Sorensen (D).....1965-1967
L. G. Brian (R).....1907-1911	Wayne R. Swanson (R).....1967-1975
Walter A. George (R).....1911-1915	Frank Marsh (R).....1975-1981 <sup>14</sup>
George E. Hall (D).....1915-1919	
	1933-1936 <sup>4</sup>
Daniel B. Cropsey (R).....1919-1923	Kay A. Orr (R).....1981-1987 <sup>15</sup>
Charles D. Robinson (R).....1923-1927	Dawn E. Rockey (D).....1991-1995
W. M. Stebbins (R).....1927-1931	David Heineman (R).....1995-2001 <sup>16</sup>
Truman W. Bass (R).....1931-1933	Lorelee Hunt Byrd (R).....2001-2004 <sup>17</sup>
	1939 <sup>6</sup>
	Ron Ross (R).....2004-2007 <sup>18</sup>
	1936-1937 <sup>5</sup>
H. J. Murray (D).....1936-1937 <sup>5</sup>	Shane Osborn (R).....2007-2011
	Don Stenberg (R).....2011-

<sup>1</sup> Appointed by governor to serve until 1855 general election.

<sup>2</sup> Political affiliation: R=Republican; D=Democrat; F=Fusion. Sturdevant represented a fusion of Anti-Monopolists and Democrats; Meserve represented a fusion of Populists and Democrats.

<sup>3</sup> Term of office began Feb. 21, 1867.

<sup>4</sup> Died Dec. 21, 1936.

<sup>5</sup> In office Dec. 21, 1936, to Jan. 7, 1937.

<sup>6</sup> Died Aug. 21, 1939.

<sup>7</sup> In office Aug. 26, 1939, to 1941.

<sup>8</sup> In office 1943 to Dec. 31, 1945.

<sup>9</sup> Appointed to fill vacancy Jan. 1, 1946. Elected in November 1946.

<sup>10</sup> Died July 13, 1958.

<sup>11</sup> Appointed to fill vacancy July 1958.

<sup>12</sup> Died April 5, 1964.

<sup>13</sup> Appointed to fill vacancy April 10, 1964.

<sup>14</sup> Resigned June 1981.

<sup>15</sup> Appointed June 15, 1981, to complete term of Frank Marsh, who resigned; elected Nov. 2, 1982.

<sup>16</sup> Resigned Sept. 2001.

<sup>17</sup> Appointed Oct. 1, 2001, to complete term of David Heineman, who resigned; elected Nov. 5, 2002. Resigned Jan. 6, 2004.

<sup>18</sup> Appointed Jan. 6, 2004, to complete term of Lorelee Hunt Byrd, who resigned.

## Auditor of Public Accounts

**Office:** Room 2303, State Capitol, P.O. Box 98917, Lincoln, NE 68509-8917, phone (402) 471-2111, fax (402) 471-3301, website — [www.auditors.state.ne.us](http://www.auditors.state.ne.us)

**Auditor of Public Accounts:** Charlie Janssen

**Statutory References:** Nebraska Constitution, Article IV, Section 1; and 84-301

**Salary:** \$85,000

The major duties of the auditor of public accounts are to:

- conduct audits of state agencies, officers, boards, bureaus and commissions
- conduct annual audits of certain political subdivisions and federal funds by contract
  - establish uniform accounting systems for county officers
  - establish uniform budgeting for political subdivisions
  - register Nebraska school, municipal and public bonds
  - set audit standards for auditors conducting audits for state agencies and political subdivisions
- conduct investigations of reports of alleged government waste, fraud and abuse

The auditor is elected to a four-year term and serves as a member of the Board of State Canvassers, State Records Board and Suggestion Award Board.

The office was created by the first territorial Legislature in 1855. The auditor was the general accountant and revenue officer of the territory. The duties have expanded and evolved over the decades as modern accounting theory has been implemented. In 1964, voters approved a constitutional amendment changing the term of the auditor from two years to four years beginning with the 1966 general election.

## Nebraska Auditor of Public Accounts, 2015

### CHARLIE JANSSEN

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**Office Address:** Room 2303, State Capitol, P.O. Box 98917, Lincoln, NE 68509-8917, phone (402) 471-2111, fax (402) 471-3301, email — [charlie.janssen@nebraska.gov](mailto:charlie.janssen@nebraska.gov)

**Elected Auditor of Public Accounts:** 2014

**Political Party:** Republican

**Biography:** Born Jan. 15, 1971, in Fremont. Graduate of Logan View High School, 1989; Wayne State College (B.S.), 1997. Military service: U.S. Navy (1989-93). Married Ellen Fauss, Sept. 10, 2010. Four children: Charlie, Jr., Betsy Anne, Scarlett Charlize and Dane. Chairman and CEO, RTG Medical. Former: U.S. Navy search and rescue swimmer. **Member:** St. Patrick's Catholic Church; board of directors, Fremont Area United Way; board of directors, Greater Fremont Development Council; senior vice-commander, VFW. **Former member:** Fremont Area Chamber of Commerce; Fremont Veterans Club (president); Fremont City Council.



# Nebraska Auditors of Public Accounts, 1855-2015

## *Territorial*

Charles B. Smith.....	1855-1858	Robert C. Jordan .....	1858-1861
Samuel L. Campbell <sup>1</sup>		William E. Harvey.....	1861-1865
William E. Moore.....	1858	John Gillespie.....	1865-1867

## *State*

John Gillespie (R) <sup>2</sup> .....	1867-1873 <sup>3</sup>	George W. Marsh (R) .....	1919-1927
Jefferson B. Weston (R).....	1873-1879		1931-1933
F.W. Liedtke (R) .....	1879-1880 <sup>4</sup>	L. B. Johnson (R).....	1927-1931
John Wallich (R).....	1880-1885 <sup>5</sup>	William B. Price (D).....	1933-1935 <sup>6</sup>
H. A. Babcock (R).....	1885-1889	Fred C. Ayres (D).....	1935-1937 <sup>7</sup>
Thomas H. Benton (R) .....	1889-1893	William H. Price (D).....	1937-1939
Eugene Moore (R) .....	1893-1897	Ray C. Johnson (R).....	1939-1971
John F. Cornell (F) .....	1897-1901	Ray A.C. Johnson (R) .....	1971-1991
Charles Weston (R) .....	1901-1905	John Breslow (D, R) <sup>8</sup> .....	1991-1999
Edward N. Searle Jr. (R).....	1905-1909	Kate Witek (R, D) <sup>9</sup> .....	1999-2007
Silas R. Barton (R).....	1909-1913	Mike Foley (R) .....	2007-2015
W.B. Howard (R) .....	1913-1915	Charlie Janssen (R).....	2015
William H. Smith (D) .....	1915-1919		

<sup>1</sup> Appointed, but did not qualify.

<sup>2</sup> Political affiliation: R=Republican; D=Democrat; F=Fusion (composed of Populists and Democrats).

<sup>3</sup> Term of office began Feb. 21, 1867.

<sup>4</sup> In office from 1879 to Nov. 11, 1880.

<sup>5</sup> In office from Nov. 12, 1880, to 1885.

<sup>6</sup> Died Aug. 19, 1935.

<sup>7</sup> In office from Aug. 20, 1935, to 1937.

<sup>8</sup> After winning re-election as a Democrat, John Breslow switched to the Republican Party in 1994.

<sup>9</sup> After winning re-election as a Republican, Kate Witek switched to the Democratic Party in 2006.

## Attorney General

### Department of Justice

**Office:** Room 2115, State Capitol, P.O. Box 98920, Lincoln, NE 68509-8920, phone (402) 471-2682, fax (402) 471-3297, TDD (402) 471-2682, toll-free consumer protection hotline (800) 727-6432, website — [www.ago.state.ne.us](http://www.ago.state.ne.us)

**Attorney General:** Douglas J. Peterson

**Statutory References:** Nebraska Constitution, Article IV, Section 1; and 84-201

**Salary:** \$95,000

**Publications:** Annual report; legal briefs; attorney general opinions;

The attorney general is the state's chief law officer, with duties authorized by the state constitution, statutory enactments and the common law.

The attorney general has been a constitutional officer since 1875. A 1919 legislative act created the Department of Justice to be administered by the attorney general. This department has "general control and supervision of all actions and legal proceedings in which the State of Nebraska may be a party or be interested, and has charge and control of all legal business of all departments and bureaus of the state, or of any office thereof, which requires the services of attorney or counsel in order to protect interests of the state."

The attorney general has the same powers and prerogatives in each county as county attorneys do. Nearly 400 statutes direct the attorney general to perform duties. The attorney general:

- appears in court to defend actions and claims against the state
- consults with and advises county attorneys, upon their request, in criminal and public revenue matters
- writes opinions, without a fee, upon questions of law submitted to the office by the governor, by the head of any executive department, or by any state senator
- prosecutes or defends the state, at the request of the governor or the head of any executive department, in all actions and proceedings, civil or criminal, relating to matters of their departments
- ensures that various state funds receive the money the Legislature has appropriated to them and prosecutes the misuse of such funds
- prepares, when requested by the governor or other executive officers, proper drafts for contracts, forms or other writings for state use
- appears for the state and prosecutes and defends all actions and proceedings, civil or criminal, in the Supreme Court in which the state is interested or a party, and when requested by the governor
- appears for the state by request of the governor or the Legislature to prosecute or defend any action, or conduct any investigation, in which the state is interested or a party, before any court, officer, board, tribunal or commission
- administers the State Tort Claims Act and advises the State Claims Board
- advises and represents state agencies, boards, commissions and officials
- administers a Child Protection Division to assist county attorneys in the preparation of cases involving crimes against children

- investigates complaints of consumer fraud and antitrust activities
- files proceedings to test the constitutionality of any legislative act that in the attorney general’s opinion is unconstitutional
  - compels any state government agency charged with implementing a legislative act to implement the act if it fails or refuses to do so
  - reviews records to determine whether they may be withheld from public inspection pursuant to public record statutes
  - consults with the secretary of state to administer election laws
  - enforces healthcare professional licensing provisions
  - represents the state in criminal appeals and habeas corpus proceedings
  - administers a drug and violent crime prosecution unit to assist local prosecutors
  - represents the state in workers’ compensation and eminent domain proceedings

The attorney general is a member of the Board of State Canvassers, Board of Pardons, State Records Board and Nebraska Commission on Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice.

In 1964, voters approved a constitutional amendment changing the term of the attorney general from two years to four years beginning with the 1966 general election.

The Department of Justice is organized into five main bureaus: the Agriculture, Environment and Natural Resources Bureau; the Civil Litigation Bureau, which includes the General Litigation and Inmate Litigation sections; the Criminal Bureau, which includes the Criminal Appeals and Prosecution sections; the Legal Services Bureau, which includes the Legal Services and Department of Roads sections; and the Public Protection Bureau, which includes the Consumer Protection Division and the Medicaid Fraud and Patient Abuse Unit.

- Chief Deputy Attorney General:** Dave Bydalek
- Chief of Staff:** Joshua Shasserre
- Director of Communications:** Suzanne Gage
- Office Manager:** Dana Hoffman

<b>Bureau Chief</b>	<b>Bureau</b>
Jay Bartel.....	Legal Services
John Freudenberg.....	Criminal
Justin Lavene.....	Agriculture, Environment and Natural Resources
James D. Smith.....	Civil Litigation
Abby Stempson.....	Public Protection

**Solicitor General**  
James D. Smith

## Nebraska Attorney General, 2015



### DOUGLAS J. PETERSON

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**Office Address:** Room 2115, State Capitol, P.O. Box 98920, Lincoln, NE 68509-8920, phone (402) 471-2682

**Elected Attorney General:** 2014

**Political Party:** Republican

**Biography:** Born April 4, 1959, in Columbus. Graduate of Lincoln East High School, 1977; University of Nebraska-Lincoln, 1981; Pepperdine University (J.D.), 1985. Married Sandra Miller, July 16, 1983; three children: Clay, Kylie and Grant. Former partner, Keating, O'Gara, Nedved & Peter; partner, Knudsen, Berkheimer, Richardson & Endacott (1990-2000); assistant attorney general (1988-90); deputy county attorney, Lincoln County (1985-87). **Member:** Lancaster County delegate, Nebraska Republican Party; business committee, Lincoln Berean Church. **Former member:** Commission on Unauthorized Practice of Law, Nebraska State Bar Association; board, Lincoln Crisis Pregnancy Center (chairman); board, Lincoln City Impact; Heartland Big Brothers Big Sisters; state board, Nebraska Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

## Nebraska Attorneys General, 1867-2015

Champion S. Chase (R) <sup>1</sup> .....	1867-1869 <sup>2</sup>	Clarence A. Davis (R).....	1919-1923
Seth Robinson (R).....	1869-1871	Ora S. Spillman (R).....	1923-1929
George H. Roberts (R).....	1871-1873	C. A. Sorensen (R).....	1929-1933
	1875-1879	Paul F. Good (D).....	1933-1935
Joseph R. Webster (R).....	1873-1875	William H. Wright (D).....	1935-1937
C. J. Dilworth (R).....	1879-1883	Richard C. Hunter (D).....	1937-1939
Isaac Powers Jr. (R).....	1883-1885	Walter R. Johnson (R).....	1939-1949
William Leese (R).....	1885-1891	James H. Anderson (R).....	1949-1950 <sup>3</sup>
George H. Hastings (R).....	1891-1895	Clarence S. Beck (R).....	1950-1961 <sup>5</sup>
Arthur S. Churchill (R).....	1895-1897	Harold P. Caldwell (D).....	1951 <sup>6</sup>
Constantine J. Smyth (F).....	1897-1901	Clarence A.H. Meyer (R).....	1961-1975
Frank N. Prout (R).....	1901-1905	Paul L. Douglas (R).....	1975-1984 <sup>3</sup>
Norris Brown (R).....	1905-1907	Robert M. Spire (R).....	1985-1991 <sup>7</sup>
William T. Thompson (R).....	1907-1910 <sup>3</sup>	Don Stenberg (R).....	1991-2003
Arthur F. Mullen (D).....	1910-1911 <sup>4</sup>	Jon Bruning (R).....	2003-2015
Grant G. Martin (R).....	1911-1915	Douglas J. Peterson (R).....	2015
Willis E. Reed (D).....	1915-1919		

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<sup>1</sup> Political affiliation: R=Republican; D=Democrat; F=Fusion (composed of Populists and Democrats).

<sup>2</sup> Term began Feb. 21, 1867.

<sup>3</sup> Resigned.

<sup>4</sup> Appointed to fill vacancy. In office Oct. 31, 1910, to Jan. 5, 1911.

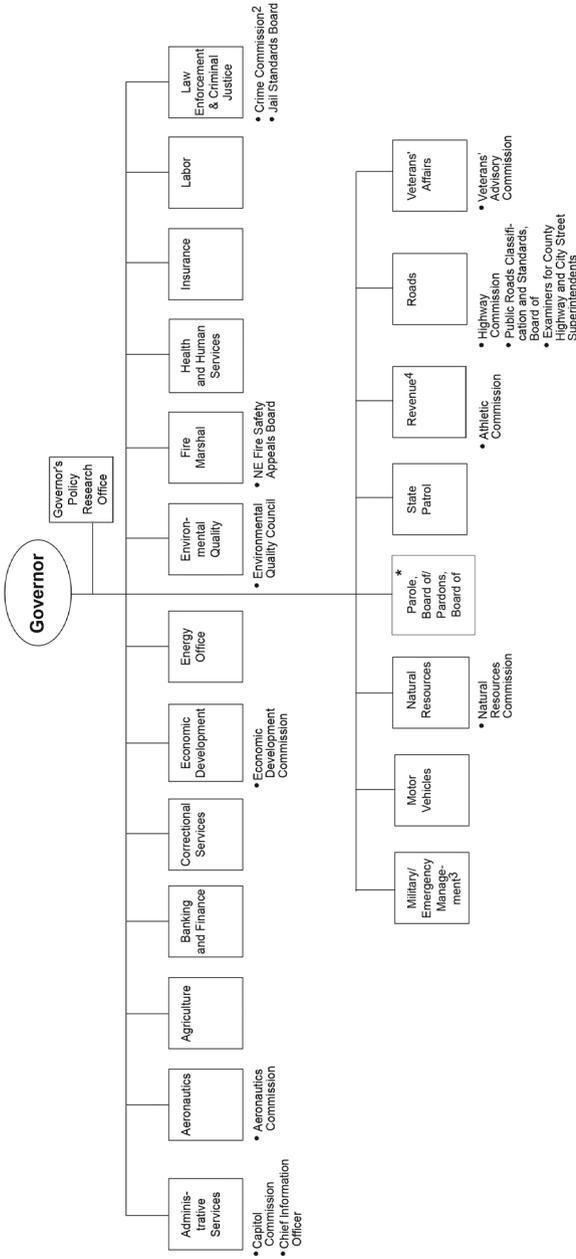
<sup>5</sup> Appointed to fill vacancy March 1, 1950; elected in November 1950.

<sup>6</sup> Elected for short term. In office approximately 31 hours.

<sup>7</sup> Appointed to fill vacancy. Sworn in March 1, 1985; elected in 1986.

# Nebraska State Government Organization — Executive Branch<sup>1</sup>

## Agencies Subject to Governor's Direct Control (Code Agencies)



<sup>1</sup> Source: Governor's Policy Research Office.

<sup>2</sup> Commission on Law, Enforcement and Criminal Justice.

\* Director holds the office of Adjutant General.

\* Director holds the constitutional office of Tax Commissioner.

Starred items are offices and agencies established in the Nebraska Constitution.

## CODE AGENCIES

**Editor's Note:** Code agencies are state government departments and agencies subject to the governor's direct control. The directors of these agencies serve at the pleasure of the governor and are directly accountable to him or her. These entities are full-fledged agencies, meaning they have their own staff, are affiliated with no other agency and appear as distinct items within the state budget. All statutory references in this section indicate where each entity was created — unless otherwise noted — in the Nebraska Constitution, Revised Statutes of Nebraska or both. Appointees to boards, commissions, councils, committees and other state governmental bodies serve until they resign or are replaced after their terms expire.

### Administrative Services

**Office Address:** Room 1315, State Capitol, P.O. Box 94664, Lincoln, NE 68509-4664, phone (402) 471-2331

**Acting Director:** Larry Bare

**Statutory References:** 81-101 and 81-1103

Administrative Services, created by the 1965 Legislature, coordinates and administers the following divisions: Accounting, Budget, State Building, Task Force for Building Renewal, Communications, Employee Relations, Information Management Services, Office of the Chief Information Officer, Materiel, Personnel, Risk Management and State Claims, and Transportation Services Bureau.

Administrative Services:

- develops and maintains a modern budgetary, inventory and financial accounting system
- centrally directs services and service agencies
- makes the chief executive responsible for executing state financial policies and provides assistance with technical skills to achieve this
- provides for the development, planning and management of state data processing, state communications, capital facilities, transportation services and management engineering coordination.

### *Accounting Division*

**Contact Person:** Hari Kadavath, Accounting Administrator, Room 1309, State Capitol, P.O. Box 94664, Lincoln, NE 68509-4664, phone (402) 471-0600

**Statutory Reference:** 81-1108

The Accounting Division, reorganized by the Legislature in 1969, operates and maintains the central accounting and payroll system for state agencies. The operations area is responsible for setting up vendors for accounts payable processing, creating payment groups for internal and external customers, and processing wage attachments and payroll transactions. The division creates and processes about 600,000 warrants and 2.4 million electronic payments each year, including biweekly and monthly payrolls for state employees. The division processes more than \$2 billion in federal grants for various agencies.

The systems area of the division reviews the internal controls and accounting methods used by state agencies and also monitors audit reports to evaluate agency accounting methods. The division provides direction to agencies for recording entries of payments, deposits and other transactions into the accounting system. Such transactions are subject to the division's statewide accounting policies. The division prepares a daily cash flow analysis, the state's yearly financial reports, including the audited Comprehensive Annual Financial Report, and obtains and processes master leasing for state agencies. The division also provides technical and functional support for the state's centralized financial system.

### *Budget Division*

**Contact Person:** Gerry A. Oligmueller, State Budget Administrator, Room 1320, State Capitol, P.O. Box 94664, Lincoln, NE 68509-4664, phone (402) 471-2526

**Statutory Reference:** 81-1108

The Budget Division provides direction, coordination and support for state agencies in the preparation of mid-biennium and biennial budget requests. The division assists the governor in preparing the governor's state budget recommendations and administering the approved state budget.

### *State Building Division*

**Contact Person:** Rodney Anderson, Administrator, State Building Division, 1526 K St., Suite 200, P.O. Box 98940, Lincoln, NE 68509-8940, phone (402) 471-2662

**Statutory References:** 81-1108 and 81-1108.11

The 1974 Legislature created the State Building Division to plan, construct and administer state facilities. The division's sections are facilities planning and construction, operations and maintenance, property management, security and administrative support.

Through its facilities planning and construction section, the division ensures that state funds are used wisely for construction projects, maintains building inventory and use records, plans future state buildings and analyzes capital construction requests, programs, preliminary plans and construction contracts. The planning group also helps prepare the governor's capital construction budget. The section inspects each building project and coordinates change orders, progress payments and time-cost schedule administration to ensure facilities are efficiently built. This section also facilitates the activities of the State Comprehensive Capital Facilities Planning Committee as it develops a statewide facilities master plan for all state government agencies exclusive of higher education.

The division's operations and maintenance section performs daily maintenance and operation activities of buildings. The facilities assigned to this section include the governor's residence, state office buildings in Lincoln, North Platte, Omaha, Scottsbluff and several 24-hour care facilities, such as veterans' homes and regional mental health centers.

The property management section serves as the state's leasing agent in procuring and providing for the space needs for state agencies and implements orders of the Vacant Building and Excess Land Committee which involves the sale and disposition of various buildings and real estate.

The security section maintains a safe environment for employees and visitors in the Omaha State Office Building.

The administrative support section includes management of the state parking program, conference room scheduling, coordination of the division's budget and accounting activities, personal property inventory and general support to the other sections of the division.

**State Comprehensive Capital Facilities Planning Committee**

**Contact Person:** Rodney Anderson, State Building Division, 1526 K St., Suite 200, P.O. Box 98940, Lincoln, NE 68509-8940, phone (402) 471-2662

**Statutory Reference:** 81-1108.41

The 1995 Legislature directed the State Building Division to develop a state comprehensive capital facilities plan. The plan projects the state's facility needs for a period of six years. To aid in developing the plan, the governor appointed the State Comprehensive Capital Facilities Planning Committee. The committee became responsible for developing planning guidelines and prioritizing projects for state agency capital construction projects. The capital facilities plan is based on the process the committee developed. The plan includes state construction projects for state agencies except the University of Nebraska and the state colleges. The plan is updated or a new plan is developed every two years.

The committee includes state agency personnel, municipal and professional planners, and citizens from across the state.

**Members**

**Position**

Joseph Acerno, Lincoln.....	Health and Human Services Department
Rodney Anderson, Lincoln.....	Administrator, State Building Division
David Cary, Lincoln.....	City Planning Department
Scott Frakes, Lincoln.....	Correctional Services
Barbara Gay, Columbus.....	Nebraska Public Power District
Rian Harkins, Fremont.....	City Planning Director
Janet Johnson, Chadron.....	Citizen
Randy Peters, Lincoln.....	Department of Roads

**Vacant Building and Excess Land Committee**

**Contact Person:** Larry Bare, Acting Director, Administrative Services, Room 1315, State Capitol, P.O. Box 94664, Lincoln, NE 68509-4664, phone (402) 471-2331

**Statutory Reference:** 72-812

The Vacant Building and Excess Land Committee reviews potential vacant state-owned buildings or excess land and determines how the buildings or lands should be used, including possible rental, sale or demolition. Once a building or piece of land is declared vacant, the department assumes responsibility for maintenance and disposition of that building or land. The building or land is then disposed of or reused as directed by the committee. If the committee decides to sell the building or land, the director of administrative services disposes of it in the state's best interests.

The director of administrative services, the Task Force for Building Renewal administrator and the State Building Division administrator are permanent committee members. In addition, a fourth, nonvoting member is the director of the agency

responsible for any vacant building or excess land for which action is needed. Members serve at the governor’s pleasure.

<b>Member</b>	<b>Position</b>
Rodney Anderson, Lincoln.....	Administrator, State Building Division
Larry Bare, Lincoln.....	Acting Director of Administrative Services
Ron Rehtus, Lincoln.....	Interim Administrator, Task Force for Building Renewal

### **Task Force for Building Renewal**

**Contact Person:** Ron Rehtus, Interim Administrator, Task Force for Building Renewal, 1526 K St., Suite 210, P.O. Box 94876, Lincoln, NE 68509-4876, phone (402) 471-3047

**Statutory Reference:** 81-174

The 1977 Legislature created the Task Force for Building Renewal, also known as the LB309 Task Force, to prioritize deferred maintenance projects in state-owned facilities. The task force reviews, classifies and recommends funding to the governor for deferred maintenance projects, as requested by state agencies. The task force’s main responsibility is to fund projects for deferred maintenance, remove barriers for people with disabilities, complete fire and life safety upgrades and provide for energy conservation improvements within existing state-owned facilities.

The director of administrative services appoints an administrator as the task force’s chief officer. The administrator may have up to four consultants, plus an architect on staff, to provide evaluations of requests and recommendations.

<b>Member</b>	<b>Position</b>
Gina Alber-Cacek, Adams.....	Training Coordinator
Gloria Eddins, Lincoln.....	Projects Manager
Chris Kreikemeier, Waverly.....	Consultant
Earl McClintock, Lincoln.....	Consultant
Richard Noel, Lincoln.....	Consultant
Ron Rehtus, Lincoln.....	Interim Task Force Administrator

### *Central Services Division*

**Contact Person:** Roger Wilson, Administrator, 1526 K St., Lincoln, NE 68509, phone (402) 471-1638, email address — roger.wilson@nebraska.gov

**Statutory References:** 81-1108 and 81-1101

The Central Services Division provides finance, human resources and legal services to all Department of Administrative Services divisions. Legal services is organized under the Central Services Division, but the general counsel reports directly to the director of Administrative Services. Services provided by the division include, but are not limited to:

- financial services of monthly invoices and bill paying
- oversight of all division budgets and finances and coordination of each division’s budget and rate setting
- coordination of bi-weekly payroll, hiring, on-boarding and all personnel related issues
- provision of legal services for personnel matters, vendor contracts, collections

and any litigation or claims against the department

### *Division of Employee Relations*

**Contact Person:** William J. Wood, Employee Relations Administrator, Division of Employee Relations, 1526 K St., P.O. Box 95061, Lincoln, NE 68509-5061, phone (402) 471-4106

**Chief Negotiator:** William J. Wood

**Statutory Reference:** 81-1108 and 81-1376

The Division of Employee Relations first operated as part of the Department of Personnel. In 1992, the Legislature merged the Department of Personnel into the Department of Administrative Services and created a separate Division of Employee Relations. The chief negotiator, who is appointed by the governor and serves at the governor's pleasure, administers the division. Duties of the chief negotiator include: negotiating and administering all labor contracts involving agencies subject to the state personnel system; developing and coordinating the state's approach to labor relations by consulting, training and other activities; coordinating and processing employee grievance appeals and developing and coordinating surveys used to develop wage and benefit comparability data for collective bargaining purposes.

### *Office of the Chief Information Officer*

**Contact Person:** Brenda L. Decker, Chief Information Officer, 501 S. 14th St., Lincoln NE 68508, phone (402) 471-3717

**Statutory Reference:** 86-519

The chief information officer is appointed by the governor and confirmed by the Legislature. The Office of the Chief Information Officer (OCIO), created by the 1998 Legislature, works with the Nebraska Information Technology Commission (NITC)<sup>1</sup> to ensure cost-effective and efficient use of state resources and investments in information technology. The office assists the NITC and its councils in preparing a statewide technology plan and strategies for using information technology.

The CIO must help the governor and Legislature with evaluating technology-related budget requests and recommends policies and guidelines. Statute also requires the CIO to monitor the status of major noneducational technology projects in state government. The CIO also coordinates efforts among noneducational agencies and works with departments to evaluate and act upon opportunities to more efficiently and effectively deliver government services through the use of information technology.

The 2006 Legislature changed the duties of the Office of the Chief Information Officer. The office now provides oversight for the division of communications and the information management services division.

The 1975 Legislature established the Division of Communications. By this act, the Legislature expanded the scope and authority of the Telecommunications Bureau, which had functioned as the telecommunications coordinating agency since 1967. The Information Management Services Division first operated as part of the Accounting

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<sup>1</sup>For more information about the Nebraska Information Technology Commission, see Page 730.

Office. In 1967, the Legislature made it a separate division. The 1998 Legislature changed the division's name from Central Data Processing to Information Management Services. In 1999, the Intergovernmental Data Services Division was made a part of IMS.

The added responsibilities for IMS include managing the county automation project and coordinating other activities relating to automation of intergovernmental functions. Services offered are provided at cost through revolving funds.

### **Enterprise Computing Services - Applications Development**

**Contact Person:** Jim Ohmberger, Administrator, Enterprise Computing Services - Applications Development, 501 S. 14th St., Lincoln, NE 68508-2707, phone (402) 471-4348

Enterprise Computing Services - Applications Development builds large-scale information systems for State agencies. The administrator also is responsible for business continuity and disaster recovery planning, security policy and project management.

### **Intergovernmental Data Services**

**Contact Person:** Tim Cao, Administrator, Intergovernmental Data Services, 501 S. 14th Street, Lincoln, NE 68509, phone (402) 471-3031

Major duties of the Intergovernmental Data Services Program include management of the State's AS/400 computer network that serves county and state offices and oversight of statewide applications that will use that system. It is the mission of the Intergovernmental Data Services Program to promote opportunities for improved service or efficiency in the public sector by encouraging interagency and intergovernmental data sharing through facilitation, coordination, oversight, or implementation of projects.

### **I.T. Financial and Customer Management Services**

**Contact Person:** Steve Schafer, Administrator, I.T. Financial and Customer Management Services, 501 S. 14th St., Lincoln, NE 68509-5045, phone (402) 471-4385

The purpose of the IT financial solutions area is to align fiscal resources to achieve the strategies of the OCIO. Activities include cost recovery planning, rate setting, asset management, contracts, enterprise licensing, and reviews of agency purchases of information technology goods and services. Assisting with customer service and business development is another vital responsibility.

### **Network Services**

**Contact Person:** Jayne L. Scofield, Administrator, Network Services, 501 S. 14th St., Lincoln, NE 68509-5045, phone (402) 471-3454

Network Services Team is responsible for end to end support from your desktop through the wide area network. This includes voice and wireless services, desktop, server, cabling, VPN's, firewalls, video conferencing, public safety communication and wide area network services. These services include the design, planning, coordination of installation and support of those services. The mission of Network Services is to provide efficient, economical and reliable telecommunications services. The administrator also is responsible for providing support to the NITC.

### Technology Support Services

**Contact Person:** Beverlee A. Bornemeier, Administrator, Technology Support Services, 501 S. 14th St., Lincoln, NE 68509-5045, phone (402) 471-0718

The Technology Support Services functional area consists of several service groups including: Help Desk, Directory Services, Web Development, Mid-Range Systems, Distributed Computing Support and Enterprise Computing Services (ECS) Systems. ECS Systems operates mainframe computers and maintains the massive data stores required to conduct State business.

### *Materiel Division*

**Contact Person:** Bo Botelho, Administrator, Materiel Division, 1526 K St., P.O. Box 94847, Lincoln, NE 68509-4847, phone (402) 471-0972

**Statutory References:** 81-1108 and 81-1118

The role of the Materiel Division was established by the 1969 Legislature, which gave the division its responsibility as state purchasing agent. Division offices for surplus property, purchasing and general services (later known as office services) were created. The division was given control of state inventories in 1974.

The division was given authority to obtain leases of articles — including real property — for state agencies in 1975. Leasing of real property was transferred to the State Building Division by the 1992 Legislature for the purpose of consolidating state building leases.

In 1977, the Nebraska Supreme Court ruled that the division's central purchasing and disposal program for property did not apply to the University of Nebraska Board of Regents or the university.

The 1981 Legislature created a forms management center under the division responsible for the form and content of state agency forms, surveys and other documents. In 1983, the office was eliminated and its responsibilities delegated to the agency level.

Printing of state documents before 1919 was established by various acts that had state executive officers as the head of the Bureau of Printing board. Purchasing agent responsibilities were expanded in 1919 to include the Bureau of Printing, which is now known as the State Print Shop.

In 1943, the Legislature made the purchasing agent a governor-appointed position and gave the agent administrative powers over the state's central mailing service. A postage metering machine was installed, and since July 1, 1943, all official outgoing mail from the State Capitol, and later from the Nebraska State Office Building, has been metered and dispatched by this central mailing service. The central mail operation is responsible for transporting material, tracking shipments and making freight claims.

The State Purchasing Bureau buys articles needed by state agencies, except the University of Nebraska. The 1947 Legislature gave the agent authority to buy and sell state surplus property. The State Surplus Property section is responsible for disposing the state's surplus property and maintaining inventory records.

The 1965 Legislature transferred this agency from the state tax commissioner to Administrative Services as the Purchasing Division. The Legislature gave the agent jurisdiction over state university and normal schools' purchasing departments. These

functions then transferred to the newly created Materiel Division in 1965.

The Copy Services area purchases and places copier requirements.

The 1992 Legislature transferred the responsibility of the State Government Recycling Program from the Energy Office to the Materiel Division.

The Office Supply Bureau provides agencies with office supplies, paper and forms.

### *Personnel Division*

**Contact Person:** Ruth Jones, Director, Personnel Division, 1526 K St., Suite 100, P.O. Box 94905, Lincoln, NE 68509-4905, phone (402) 471-2833

**Statutory References:** 81-1108 and 81-1303

The Personnel Division was created in 1967 as the Department of Personnel. The 1992 Legislature made the department part of Administrative Services. The division administers the state personnel system, which has 13,837 state employees in 57 classified agencies and 2,443 employees in 17 nonclassified agencies. The division:

- maintains a job classification and pay system for state employees
- provides state agencies with qualified job applicants
- promulgates and enforces personnel rules and regulations
- administers an employee grievance appeal procedure
- promulgates and enforces affirmative action rules and regulations
- provides state-sponsored training and development opportunities
- maintains the Human Resource Management System
- administers state benefits

The division is led by a Director of Personnel, who is appointed by the AS director. The division is composed of the Affirmative Action Office, Classification/Compensation, Employee Services, Recruitment and Talent Development and Retention units.

### **Affirmative Action Office**

**Contact Person:** Andy Russell, Affirmative Action Coordinator, 1526 K St., Suite 100, P.O. Box 94905, Lincoln, NE 68509-4905, phone (402) 471-4165

**Statutory Reference:** 81-1357

The Affirmative Action Office oversees affirmative action programs for individual state agencies. The office also provides counseling and technical assistance to state agencies, employees and applicants, along with rule and regulation enforcement governing affirmative action plans. Additionally, the office is responsible for helping employees, state agencies and applicants with Americans With Disabilities Act employment issues.

The affirmative action program works to ensure all citizens are given fair and equal state government employment and advancement opportunities regardless of race, color, religion, national origin, age, sex, marital status or physical or mental disability.

### **Classification/Compensation Unit**

**Contact Person:** Josh Stafursky, Classification and Compensation Administrator, 1526 K St., Suite 100, P.O. Box 94905, Lincoln, NE 68509-4905, phone (402) 471-4165

The Classification/Compensation Unit maintains the State Classification and Pay Plan by analyzing and approving agency requests for position reclassification and salary

grade adjustments. The unit maintains class specifications for nearly 1,200 job classes and determines salary ranges essential for attracting and retaining qualified employees. A revised classification and pay-plan booklet is issued annually. The unit is responsible for the State Personnel Rules and training on rule subjects, such as overtime and performance evaluation. The unit also develops and publishes the *Personnel Almanac*, which contains history and statistics about the state government work force. The unit conducts annual salary surveys of local and regional employers' wages and benefits and publishes a *Salary Survey* booklet. The unit also is responsible for researching statistics regarding benefits and wages for use in the collective bargaining process.

### Employee Services Unit

**Contact Person:** Stacy Dvorak, Programs and Marketing Manager, 1526 K St., Suite 100, P.O. Box 94905, Lincoln, NE 68509-4905, phone (402) 471-4112

The Employee Services Unit manages annual employee recognition programs, coordinates the annual Charitable Giving campaign and other charitable drives, coordinates the state employee discount program, oversees the statewide employee suggestion system and interprets and oversees the vendor solicitation policy.

### Recruitment Unit

**Contact Person:** Vicki Logan, Recruitment Manager, 1526 K St., Suite 100, P.O. Box 94905, Lincoln, NE 68509-4905, phone (402) 471-4458

The Recruitment Unit helps agencies with their staffing needs, including recruiting, selecting, interviewing and hiring qualified candidates. Agencies, except those exempted from the personnel system, are required to post all vacancies with the unit to ensure equal opportunity. Staff in this unit help agencies in developing recruiting plans, offering services such as writing job advertisements, posting positions, Internet recruiting and attending college recruitment events, as well as fulfilling other specific recruiting needs. The staff is available to develop selection tools, offer screening services and assist agencies in selecting a top group of qualified candidates.

The unit operates the Specialized Office Services (SOS), a temporary employment program that helps agencies hire temporary help during peak work periods or employee leaves. SOS is the clearinghouse and approval source for all temporary employment requests and is a liaison with contractual temporary agencies. SOS is responsible for providing payroll and benefit services to the employees of this program.

### Training and Development

**Contact Person:** Dovi Mueller, Training and Development Administrator, 1526 K St., Suite 100, P.O. Box 94905, Lincoln, NE 68509-4905, phone (402) 471-4465

The Training and Development Unit offers training and development opportunities to agencies and employees. Through coordinated learning and development - with an emphasis in management and leadership, human capital management, change management and technical skills - the Training and Development Unit supports agencies and employees in creating an environment of innovation and effectiveness. The unit aims to support the agencies in obtaining higher productivity, improved customer service, increased employee satisfaction and improved morale.

### State Personnel Board

**Contact Person:** Ruth Jones, Director, Personnel Division, 1526 K St., Suite 100, P.O. Box 94905, Lincoln, NE 68509-4905, phone (402) 471-2833

**Statutory Reference:** 81-1318

The State Personnel Board enters decisions on employee grievance appeals for employees covered by the classified system, whether or not the employee is covered by a collective bargaining agreement. Effective June 1, 1994, employees covered by the NAPE/AFSCME Labor Contract have the option to choose whether to have their appeal heard under this system or by an arbitrator under the voluntary final and binding arbitration process.

The board also approves rules and regulations promulgated by the director of personnel and provides legal advice regarding state personnel matters.

The five-member board is appointed by the governor and approved by the Legislature for five-year terms. No more than three members may be from the same political party. At least three appointees must have experience in personnel administration, business or public administration, labor relations or law. State employees may not be appointed to the board. The board meets monthly. Members are not paid but are reimbursed for their expenses.

Member	Term Expires
Wayne Boyd, South Sioux City (R) <sup>2</sup> .....	Aug. 4, 2017
Amber A. Brown, Kearney (D) .....	Aug. 4, 2013
Lucinda Glen, Hastings (D) .....	Aug. 4, 2016
Samuel F. Seever, Lincoln (R).....	Aug. 4, 2014
Brian J. Tessman, Omaha (R).....	Aug. 4, 2015

### Employee Wellness and Benefits

**Contact Person:** Josh Tafursky, Administrator, Employee Wellness and Benefits, 1526 K St., Suite 110, P.O. Box 94905, Lincoln, NE 68509-4905, phone (402) 471-2832

The Employee Wellness and Benefits Unit researches and administers health, welfare and wellness programs offered to state employees. The office assists state employees with enrollment and participation in state-sponsored wellness and benefit programs and provides tools, resources and structure for employees to invest in their personal health. The Wellness and Benefits Unit also maintains compliance with governing federal legislation and vendor contractual obligations.

### *Risk Management and State Claims Division*

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**Statutory Reference:** 81-8,239.01 and 81-1108

The state risk manager is responsible for identifying and implementing the most economical and effective methods to reduce the exposure of the state and its employees

<sup>2</sup> Political party affiliation: R=Republican, D=Democrat.

to personal injury, property damage and legal liability through loss control, loss elimination and, where possible, transfer of costs. Measures include purchasing insurance, identifying resource services for agencies and coordinating nonlitigation legal services.

There are three broad functions of the state's Risk Management Program: State Claims Board,<sup>3</sup> Workers' Compensation/Safety and Insurance/Self-Insurance.

The division administers: the State Tort Claims Act; the State Miscellaneous Claims Act; the State Contract Claims Act; the state workers' compensation program; and the state risk management, indemnification, insurance, self-insurance and bonding programs.

### *Transportation Services Bureau*

**Contact Persons:** Steve Sulek, Administrator and Mike Moerer, Operations Manager, Transportation Services Bureau, 14th and M streets, P.O. Box 95025, Lincoln, NE 68509-5025, phone (402) 471-2897, fax (402) 471-2999

**Statutory Reference:** 81-1008

The 1969 Legislature created the Transportation Services Bureau, which provides service and guidance to state agencies in the use, operation and service of state-owned vehicles and the use of privately owned vehicles used for state purposes.

## Department of Aeronautics

**Office Address:** 3431 Aviation Road, Suite 150, Lincoln Airport, Lincoln, NE 68524, phone (402) 471-2371

**Director:** Ronnie D. Mitchell

**Statutory Reference:** 3-103

**Publications:** *Nebraska Airport Directory*, *PIREPS* (a bi-monthly newsletter)

### *Navigational Aids Division*

The Navigational Aids Division installs, operates and maintains Nebraska's Aeronautical Radio Navigation, Communication and Aviation Weather Reporting Network. This network consists of:

- eight VHF Omni Directional Radio Range facilities at Beatrice, Broken Bow, Cozad, Kearney, Ogallala, Scribner/Fremont, Tekamah and Thedford
  - five pieces of distance-measuring equipment at Thedford, Beatrice, Broken Bow, Ogallala and Scribner/Fremont
  - 20 nondirectional radio beacons at Albion, Bassett, Burwell, Cambridge, Chapel, Darr, Fairbury, Fairmont, Falls City, Gordon, Grant, Hebron, Holdrege, Millard (in west Omaha), Nebraska City, Ord, Oshkosh, Plattsmouth, Seward, Valentine, Wahoo, Wayne, Whitney, Willow Island and York
  - 19 Automated Weather Observation Station (AWOS III) facilities at Ainsworth, Albion, Aurora, Beatrice, Blair, Fremont, Hebron, Holdrege, Kimball, Lexington, Millard, Nebraska City, O'Neill, Ogallala, Plattsmouth, Thedford, Wahoo, Wayne and York
- The division also maintains the division office, maintenance shop and warehouse

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<sup>3</sup>For more information about the State Claims Board, see Page 720.

in Kearney; coordinates the state runway lighting program; acquires federal equipment for government use; and coordinates activities and programs with the Federal Aviation Administration, the National Weather Service and cities and towns involved.

### *Planning and Engineering Division*

The Planning and Engineering Division oversees all phases of the Federal Aviation Administration's grant program for general aviation airports. This includes applications, inspections, review of construction plans and specifications, and payment approval. Federal funds used to develop Nebraska general aviation airports must pass through the Department of Aeronautics.

Other duties include administration of state-aid grants, revolving hangar and fuel-storage loans, pavement preservation grants, airport safety and pavement inspections, preparing annual DBE programs, licensing public-use airports, issuing building permits for structures over 150 feet, airport layout plan review, state airport system planning, review of notices of construction that obstructs airports and helping communities with height-restriction zoning. The division also manages a crack and joint filling program and a marking program.

### *State-Owned Airfields Division*

The State-Owned Airfield Division runs Nebraska's state-owned airfields at Fairmont, Harvard and Scribner. The division leases available land and buildings at these sites, as well as at the site of the closed Bruning Airbase.

### *Flight Operations and Aviation Services Division*

The Operations Division operates three aircraft dedicated to providing transportation for state agencies. This includes the governor, his staff, and officials from state agencies, the University of Nebraska (Lincoln, Omaha and Kearney), the University Board of Regents, the University of Nebraska Medical Center and other state entities.

In addition to providing transportation, the Operations Division performs the following duties:

- publishing the Nebraska Airport Directory. The directory is issued at no charge to pilots and other aviation interests. It is published every two years and covers Nebraska and portions of states bordering Nebraska
- publishing an aviation newsletter, *PIREPS*. This newsletter is published 6 times a year and addresses aviation news and items of interest to the flying public in Nebraska. It is mailed free of charge to anyone wishing to receive the publication and is available electronically.
- registering private airports.
- conducting aviation education and career activities, including an aviation summer youth camp and an aviation art contest. The division also participates in aviation career fairs to promote career opportunities available in aviation.
- working with communities to advance airline service in Nebraska

The Operations Division also conducts precision aerial photo flights, which meet

federal project standards for the Department of Roads. A specially-modified, state-owned Piper Navajo is used to conduct the photo flights.

*Nebraska Aeronautics Commission*

**Contact Person:** Therese Wachter, Chairperson, P.O. Box 82088, Lincoln, NE 68501-2088, phone (402) 471-2371

**Statutory Reference:** 3-104

The Nebraska Aeronautics Commission advises the director. The commission:

- allocates state and federal airport construction and maintenance funds
- designates airport sites
- authorizes the state’s purchase of aircraft
- approves pilots to work for the state
- helps the department director develop regulations and policies

The commission also advises the governor in appointing the director of the Department of Aeronautics.

The commission has five members who are appointed by the governor to five-year terms. Members are not paid but are reimbursed for their expenses. The commission meets approximately seven times per year.

<b>Members</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Dorothy Anderson, Holdrege.....	March 1, 2018
Michael Cook, Bellevue.....	March 1, 2017
Diana Smith, Beatrice.....	March 1, 2019
Doug Vap, McCook.....	March 1, 2016
Therese “Terni” Wachter, Pierce.....	March 1, 2015

# Nebraska Licensed Airports, 2014\*

## Municipal Airports

City	Airport	City	Airport	City	Airport
Ainsworth	Ainsworth Regional	Fremont	Fremont Municipal	Omaha	Eppley Airfield
Albion	Albion Municipal	Genoa	Genoa Municipal	Omaha	Millard Airport
Alliance	Alliance Municipal	Gordon	Gordon Municipal	O'Neill	O'Neill Municipal John L. Baker Field
Alma	Alma Municipal	Gothenburg	Quinn Field	Ord	Evelyn Sharp Field
Arapahoe	Arapahoe Municipal	Grand Island	Central Nebraska Regional	Oshkosh	Garden County Airport
Atkinson	Stuart-Atkinson Municipal	Grant	Grant Municipal	Pawnee City	Pawnee City Municipal
Auburn	Farington Field	Hartington	Hartington Municipal	Pender	Pender Municipal
Aurora	Aurora Municipal	Hastings	Hastings Municipal	Plattsmouth	Plattsmouth Municipal
Bassett	Rock County Airport	Hay Springs	Hay Springs Municipal	Red Cloud	Red Cloud Municipal
Beatrice	Beatrice Municipal	Hebron	Hebron Municipal	Rushville	Modisett Field
Blair	Blair Municipal	Holdrege	Brewster Field	Sargent	Sargent Municipal
Bloomfield	Bloomfield Municipal	Hyannis	Grant County Airport	Scottsbluff	Western Nebraska Regional
Broken Bow	Broken Bow Municipal	Imperial	Imperial Municipal	Seward	Seward Municipal
Burwell	Cram Field	Kearney	Kearney Regional	Sidney	Sidney Municipal
Cambridge	Cambridge Municipal	Kimball	Robert E. Arraj Field	Superior	Superior Municipal
Central City	Central City Municipal	Lexington	Jim Kelly Field	Tecumseh	Tecumseh Municipal
Chadron	Chadron Municipal	Lincoln	Lincoln Airport	Tekamah	Tekamah Municipal
Chappell	Billy G. Ray Field	Loup City	Loup City Municipal	Theftord	Thomas County Airport
Columbus	Columbus Municipal	McCook	McCook Ben Nelson Regional	Trenton	Trenton Municipal
Cozad	Cozad Municipal	Minden	Pioneer Village Field	Valentine	Miller Field
Creighton	Creighton Municipal	Nebraska City	Nebraska City Municipal	Wahoo	Wahoo Municipal
Crete	Crete Municipal	Neligh	Antelope County Airport	Wallace	Wallace Municipal
Curtis	Curtis Municipal	Norfolk	Norfolk Regional	Wayne	Wayne Municipal
David City	David City Municipal	North Platte	North Platte Regional	York	York Municipal
Fairbury	Fairbury Municipal	Ogallala	Searle Field		
Falls City	Brenner Field				

## Privately Owned Public Use Airports

City	Airport	City	Airport
Omaha	North Omaha Airport	South Sioux City	Martin Field

## U.S. Government Airport<sup>1</sup>

## Seaplane Base

City	Airport	City	Landing Area
Bellevue	Offutt Air Force Base	Alma	Harlan County Lake SPB

## State Government Airports

City	Airport	City	Airport
Fairmont	Fairmont State Airfield	Scribner	Scribner State Airport
Harvard	Harvard State Airfield		

\* Source: Nebraska Department of Aeronautics.

<sup>1</sup> Not licensed by the State of Nebraska.

## Department of Agriculture

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**Director:** Greg Ibach

**Assistant Director:** Bobbie Kriz-Wickham

**Statutory Reference:** 81-101

The Nebraska Department of Agriculture regulates and works as an advocate for agriculture.

The department was one of six administrative departments created by the Civil Administrative Code Law of 1919. The department was divided into the Bureau of Animal Industry; Bureau of Food, Drugs and Oil; Bureau of Markets and Marketing; Division of Game and Fish; and Clerical and Records Division. In 1933, the department's name was changed to the Department of Agriculture and Inspection. In 1963, it became the Department of Agriculture and Economic Development. In 1967, it became the Department of Agriculture.

The department's duties and organization have changed significantly since 1919. The Division of Game and Fish separated from the department in 1929, and drug inspection was removed in 1941. Licensing of itinerant merchants was removed in 1955.

Many regulatory functions were added to the department's duties. Besides original laws providing for the inspection of all petroleum sold within the state, collection of state gasoline and special fuel taxes was added in 1941, as well as petroleum transport truck regulation and licensing and administration of the Agricultural Refund Law. (Petroleum transport truck regulation and licensing and the Agricultural Refund Law are no longer under the department's jurisdiction.) Licensing of livestock sale rings and frozen food lockers also were added. In 1945, the Division of Potato Development became part of the department.

The 1947 Legislature added the Cigarette Tax Division and the Nebraska Resources Division to the department. It also called for slaughterhouse inspection and antifreeze testing.

The 1955 Legislature added the Oil and Gas Severance Tax Division. The Division of Wheat Development, Utilization and Marketing also was added in 1955, but it later became an agency of its own.

The 1957 Legislature created the Weather Control Commission and assigned its administrative functions to the department.

In 1961, the Legislature created the Auction Livestock Market Board to help administer the auction market licensing law. Corrective legislation in 1963 made several changes, including changing the name to the Livestock Auction Market Board.

In 1965, the Legislature removed petroleum tax collection and inspection and the cigarette and oil severance tax collections from the department.

Also in 1965, the Legislature established the Division of Dairy Trade Practices (no longer a part of the department) and created a predatory animal control program. It authorized the director of agriculture to participate in a rural rehabilitation educational program to help needy farm and ranch youth with education beyond high school.

The 1967 Legislature removed the Resources Division and its role in economic development from the Department of Agriculture and created a new Department of Economic Development. The Legislature also transferred tractor permit and enforcement responsibility from the Railway Commission to the Department of Agriculture.

In 1982, the Legislature discontinued the Weather Control Commission and directed the Department of Agriculture to assume the commission's duties.

In 1988, the Legislature passed the Farm Mediation Act to give agricultural borrowers and lenders a way to resolve financial disputes without litigation. The governor designated the Department of Agriculture to administer the act.

In 1993, the Legislature passed the Nebraska Pesticide Act. This legislation gave the department authority to regulate pesticides in Nebraska.

In 1996, the Legislature repealed the weather modification laws and declared that after Jan. 1, 1997, no new weather control districts could be formed.

In 1998, the Legislature repealed the laws relating to weather control districts and gave natural resources districts the authority to establish weather modification programs. Also in 1998, the Legislature enacted the Buffer Strip Act, which provided incentives to landowners to establish buffer strips on certain types of lands to help reduce the levels of sediment, crop nutrients and pesticides being introduced into surface water resources.

In 1999, the Bureau of Animal Industry was given the authority to establish a more comprehensive Domesticated Cervine Animal Act. That year, the Beginning Farmer Tax Credit Act, directed and developed by the Beginning Farmer Board, also was created to strengthen and share resources between new and established producers.

The Commercial Dog and Cat Operation Inspection Act and the Agricultural Opportunities and Value-Added Partnerships Act were enacted in 2000.

In 2002, the Legislature passed the Agricultural Suppliers Lease Protection Act. The act established a system for resolution of lease disputes arising between railroad property owners and agribusiness tenants and guard against unreasonable lease renewal terms or unjust lease termination.

In 2003, the Legislature enacted a disease control and eradication program for scrapie in sheep. The Legislature also passed a law authorizing the director of agriculture to establish a process to recognize and assist efforts by counties to maintain or expand their livestock sectors. The director is authorized to designate a county as a livestock friendly county.

In 2005, the Legislature re-enacted the Agricultural Opportunities Value-Added Partnerships Act with the Department of Agriculture providing assistance to the Department of Economic Development in administering the act.

The 2006 Legislature enacted a law to regulate exotic animal auctions and swap meets and expanded the Nebraska Poultry Disease Control Act relating to avian influenza in poultry.

In 2007, the Legislature amended the Commercial Dog and Cat Operator Inspection Act by adding additional requirements and enforcement powers, provided for mediation of fence disputes by the farm mediation service when the adjoining land is utilized as agricultural or horticultural land, adopted a new Bovine Tuberculosis Act and changed

the Nebraska Brand Committee to include the Director of Agriculture or his or her designee an ex-officio member. The Legislature also required the Department of Agriculture, for promotion purposes, to collect an excise tax on grapes sold or delivered in Nebraska, established the Riparian Vegetation Management Task Force relating to vegetation management and treatment with the Department of Agriculture providing administrative assistance, and authorized the Department of Agriculture to award grants for management of vegetation to improve streamflow in natural streams.

The 2008 Legislature adopted the Food Supply Animal Veterinarian Incentive Program Act to encourage veterinarians to locate in rural Nebraska and practice food supply animal veterinarian medicine.

In 2009, the Legislature extended the Riparian Vegetation Management Task Force's responsibilities for four more years to June 30, 2013. In addition, the Legislature adopted a new Anthrax Control Act.

The 2010 Legislature expanded the Pesticide Act to include licensing of the aerial pesticide applicator business. In addition, the Legislature repealed assessment of an excise tax on corn and grain sorghum to be used for water resources purposes for the period of Oct. 1, 2012 through Sept. 30, 2019.

In 2011, the Legislature repealed the Agricultural Opportunities and Value-Added Partnerships Act. In addition, the Legislature required the Department of Agriculture to adopt a standard for all honey produced by honey bees. The department also was required to provide a report by Nov. 15, 2011 on actions necessary to implement a state meat and poultry inspection program. The Legislature also eliminated the Nebraska Railway Council, on which a representative of the department served as a member.

In 2012, the Legislature created the Nebraska Invasive Species Council, which includes a representative of the Department of Agriculture.

In 2013, the Legislature eliminated the Livestock Auction Market Board. In addition, the Legislature imposed notification and testing requirements in relation to bovine trichomoniasis in beef or dairy breeding bulls and imposed restrictions on sales or transportation of bulls having a laboratory confirmation of this disease. The Legislature also extended the Riparian Vegetation Management Task Force's authority to June 30, 2015.

The Legislature in 2014 enacted the Exotic Animal Auction or Exchange Venue Act, establishing new requirements on sales of exotic animals and organizers of such events. The Legislature also required the department to provide a report on the dairy industry in Nebraska. Legislation was enacted allowing the growth and cultivation of industrial hemp for research purposes under set parameters and providing the department authority to adopt regulations.

With the 2013-2015 budget, the Legislature approved an agency realignment of the Nebraska Department of Agriculture. This realignment consisted of combining the agency's nine divisions into four focus areas, as follows: Administration and Laboratory are now in the Administration - Shared Services Focus Area; Ag Promotion and Development, Poultry and Egg Development, Utilization and Marketing and Potato Development are now included in the Ag Promotion and Development Focus Area; the Bureau of Animal Industry and the Bureau of Plant Industry are now included in the Animal and Plant Health Protection Focus Area; and the Bureau of Dairies and

Foods and the Bureau of Weights and Measures are now included in the Food Safety and Consumer Protection Focus Area.

### *Administration - Shared Services*

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The Administration - Shared Services Focus Area administers numerous programs within the department. The director and his or her support staff provide leadership, management, direction and supervision to the entire agency.

The Data Center is responsible for providing technical computer services to the agency, including training and support.

Legal provides legal support and advice to the agency regarding regulatory and advocacy activities.

Finance and Personnel provides support services to the director and all divisions in accounting, auditing, budgeting, payroll, personnel and legislative fiscal information. Fiscal services and fee collection are performed for the commodity checkoff programs through administrative service contracts.

The Department of Agriculture works closely with the U.S. Department of Agriculture's National Agricultural Statistics Service, Nebraska Field Office.

### **Agriculture Laboratories**

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In 1967, the Department of Agriculture Laboratory was removed from the Bureau of Dairies, Foods and Drugs and given independent division status. Another reorganization in 1975 incorporated the Livestock Disease Control Laboratory and the Seed Laboratory into the Laboratory Division. In 1999, these two sections were combined into one laboratory. The laboratories are known collectively as the Department of Agriculture Laboratories. In 2004, the Livestock Disease Control Laboratory was closed. Brucellosis, the main pathogen tested in this section, was eradicated from Nebraska in 1995. Sample numbers have decreased substantially since that time. Those desiring a brucellosis test now send samples out of state.

In 2007, the Seed Laboratory merged with the Nebraska Crop Improvement Association (NCIA) and testing functions now take place at the NCIA laboratory at 267 Plant Science Hall.

The laboratory serves several department focus areas by performing chemical, physical, bacteriological, microscopical and serological analyses. These are used to evaluate foods, beverages, feeds, fertilizers, agricultural lime, seeds, dairy products and environmental samples.

The major divisions of the Agriculture Laboratories are as follows:

**Dairies and Foods Laboratory.** This laboratory is required to test Grade A milk and milk products and manufacturing milk and milk products. Samples are analyzed for bacteria, somatic cell count, drug residues, proper pasteurization and other parameters.

In addition, water from dairy operations and plants is tested for certain microbiological parameters.

Other food products are analyzed to see if they meet federal laws and manufacturers' label statements. These foods can be analyzed for such things as sodium, fat, cholesterol, dietary fiber, sugars, vitamins, pesticides and pathogenic and nonpathogenic bacteria, along with other parameters. This laboratory also tests foods submitted by the Health and Human Services' State Epidemiologist and other health organizations when a food-borne illness outbreak or bioterrorist act is suspected. The laboratory also is part of the Food Emergency Response Network, a national network of laboratories that maintain homeland security readiness.

**Feed, Fertilizer and Agricultural Lime Laboratory.** Feeds are analyzed to verify the accuracy of a manufacturer's guarantees. Adulterations, such as drug residues and mycotoxins, are analyzed as needed. Fertilizers are analyzed to see if they match the manufacturer's declared percentage of primary and secondary plant nutrients. Testing for adulterants also is performed when needed. Agricultural lime samples are tested and compared for fineness and effective calcium carbonate equivalence. Animal feed products also are tested for prohibited materials, those feed ingredients not allowed to be placed in feed destined for bovine animals. This testing is done to prevent Bovine Spongiform Encephalopathy (BSE).

**Seed Laboratory.** The Nebraska Seed Law requires a seed laboratory to perform tests for purity, germination and noxious weeds and other tests as required on agricultural, vegetable, flower and wildflower seed. Wild bird food samples are analyzed for noxious weeds. Staff perform tests on "official" samples, those submitted by department staff, for regulatory purposes. They also perform analysis of "service" samples brought to the laboratory by citizens and seed companies.

**Residue Laboratory.** Milk and associated products and food products are tested for pesticide residues for the Food Safety and Consumer Protection Focus Area. Feed and grain samples are tested for pesticide contaminants. The laboratory also is part of the Food Emergency Response Network.

Analytical work is performed by the laboratories for other state, federal and local agencies on a limited basis under a program established by law in 2005. The Nebraska Soil and Plant Laboratory Analysis Act is administered and enforced by the laboratory.

### *Ag Promotion and Development*

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Ag Promotion and Development (AP&D) Focus Area staff members work to develop markets by coordinating efforts with farmers and ranchers, ag organizations, university and research institutions, other state and national agencies and private businesses. Through various programs and outreach, AP&D strives to create opportunities for ag-related development and profitability. Such efforts include:

- researching and fostering opportunities for marketing a variety of Nebraska

agricultural products, as well as disseminating information of importance to the agricultural industry in the state

- assisting with international trade by assessing market potential, connecting buyers and sellers, helping host trade teams and other promotional efforts and assisting companies with import problems at the point of entry
- marketing ag-based products in free online directories that provide consumers with access to information about a variety of Nebraska-based businesses, including fresh produce growers, feedlots, food and meat companies, agri-tourism sites, hay producers and Christmas tree growers
- fostering special initiatives, including the Beginning Farmer and Program, the Farm Mediation Program, the Livestock Friendly County Program and the Nebraska Our Best to You Program

In addition, AP&D coordinates several federal grants that help expand marketing opportunities, particularly for specialty crop and organic growers. These programs include the Organic Certification Cost-Share Program, the Specialty Crop Block Grant Program, and the Senior Farmers’ Market and Women, Infants and Children Farmers’ Market Nutrition programs.

The focus area also is responsible for oversight of the poultry and egg checkoff program and the potato checkoff program.

### Nebraska Grape and Winery Board

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The 2000 Legislature created the Nebraska Grape and Winery Board to create programs that develop and advance the state’s grape and wine industry. These programs provide grape producers and winery owners with the resources to learn how to grow, sell, market and promote their grape and wine products.

The board consists of five members appointed by the governor on a non-partisan basis. Board members must be Nebraska residents who are at least 21 years old and either engaged in or previously engaged in wine or grape production or research in this state. At least two board members must be members of the Nebraska Winery and Grape Growers Association. In addition, the state director of agriculture or his or her designee and the vice chancellor of the University of Nebraska Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources or his or her designee serve as nonvoting ex officio members.

<b>Member</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Ellen Burdick, Lewellen .....	June 7, 2015
David Hanna, Lexington.....	June 7, 2015
Bart Holmquist, Eagle.....	June 7, 2015
Max McFarland, Lexington .....	June 7, 2015
Terry Ryan, Gibbon.....	June 7, 2015
Casey Foster, Lincoln .....	Department of Agriculture.....Ex Officio
David Jackson, Lincoln .....	University of Nebraska Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources.....Ex Officio

### Farm Mediation Service

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**Statutory Reference:** 2-4801 to 2-4815

Since 1988, the Farm Mediation Service has assisted Nebraska landowners, farmers, ranchers, agricultural lenders and state and federal Department of Agriculture agencies in resolving disputes in a confidential and nonadversarial setting outside the traditional legal system. A mediation may be requested by a Nebraska agricultural landowner concerning a property fence dispute, a Nebraska agricultural borrower or creditor concerning an agricultural credit issue or a Nebraska producer concerning an adverse decision given them by a USDA agency.

Mediation is a process in which a neutral third party facilitates discussion between a farmer or rancher and the other party in a dispute. The mediation process identifies issues, develops possible solutions and works out a mutual agreement. Prior to mediation, both parties are offered no-cost education at individual sessions to learn about the mediation process, farm law and financial options that are available to them. A personal financial analysis and preparation for mediation also is offered at no cost to aid in developing options.

### Beginning Farmer Program

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**Statutory Reference:** 77-5201 to 77-5214

The Beginning Farmer Tax Credit Act was passed by the Legislature in 1999 and amended in 2000, 2006, 2008 and 2009. This act provides a personal property tax exemption for a beginning farmer who applies for and receives a Beginning Farmer Eligibility Certificate. The act also provides a tax credit for owners of agricultural assets such as land, machinery and livestock facilities as an incentive to rent their assets to a beginning farmer who has met specific eligibility requirements.

All beginning farmers who meet the eligibility guidelines of the Beginning Farmer Tax Credit Act may apply for the personal property tax exemption. An eligibility certificate is sent upon receipt of an eligible application. This may be presented to their county assessor for acceptance and approval of a personal property tax exemption of up to \$100,000 valuation of their agricultural machinery.

The owner of agricultural assets receives a refundable tax credit equal to 10 percent of the cash rent paid by the beginning farmer or 15 percent of the owner's gross receipts resulting from a share crop rental agreement with the beginning farmer. The owner is encouraged to become a mentor and share his or her expertise with the beginning farmer. The beginning farmer attends a financial management class to ensure his or her knowledge of farm records management and participates in other board-sponsored activities.

The board of directors is appointed by the governor and develops and directs the programs, approves and certifies the participants and advocates for the farmers as part of their duties.

Members	Represents	Term Expires
Don Anthony, Lexington.....	District 3 Producer.....	July 16, 2015
Karla Bahm, Eagle.....	Department of Agriculture.....	July 16, 2015
Kim Conroy, Lincoln.....	Department of Revenue.....	July 16, 2015
Mark Graf, McCook.....	Lending Community.....	July 16, 2015
Brad Lubben, Lincoln.....	Academia.....	July 16, 2015
Todd Reed, Waverly.....	District 1 Producer.....	July 16, 2015
Melvin Valasek, Bennington.....	District 2 Producer.....	July 16, 2015

### Nebraska Agricultural Youth Council

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The Nebraska Department of Agriculture supports and enhances Nebraska's agriculture industry through educational activities that teach Nebraska youth about the role of agriculture through educational services, public relations and public information.

The Nebraska Agricultural Youth Institute (NAYI) is a five-day summer conference designed to introduce high school juniors and seniors to agricultural issues, leadership skills and career opportunities. NAYI is held in July and is organized by the Nebraska Agricultural Youth Council (NAYC) through the Department of Agriculture. Other NAYC projects include ag week promotion, elementary school visits and the Urban Youth Farm Tour.

### Potato Development Program

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**Statutory Reference:** 2-1802

The Potato Development Program was established as part of the Department of Agriculture by the 1945 Legislature. Under the guidance of the Potato Development Committee, the program contracts with universities for research activities and conducts market promotion and development activities for potatoes for food and seed.

The 1969 Legislature updated a statute calling for a potato inspection grading service. As a service to the potato industry, the program helps the Potato Certification Association of Nebraska conduct an inspection program on Nebraska-certified seed potatoes. In addition, the division provides potato grading services, which are funded by user fees, as requested.

The division's activities are paid for by a tax on Nebraska-grown potatoes. The tax, originally one-half cent per 100 pounds, currently is 1 cent per 100 pounds. The tax is collected from licensed potato shippers. Any shipper selling at least 180,000 pounds of potatoes a year (including growers not selling through licensed shippers) is defined as a shipper for tax purposes.

**Nebraska Potato Development Committee**

**Statutory Reference:** 2-1803

The Nebraska Potato Development Committee provides rules, regulations and guidance for the Potato Development Program. The committee advises the director of agriculture on appointing the program head and his or her deputies, if needed.

The committee consists of three potato shippers and four potato growers, appointed by the governor for two-year terms; the director of agriculture, who serves as chairperson; and the vice chancellor of the University of Nebraska Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources, as an ex officio member.

The committee meets at least two times a year. Members are not paid but are reimbursed for their expenses.

<b>Member</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
James R. Allen, Alliance .....	Potato Grower.....	Aug. 1, 2015
Jeffrey J. Collins, Bridgeport.....	Potato Grower.....	Aug. 1, 2016
Randy May, Harrisburg.....	Potato Grower.....	Aug. 1, 2015
Tim May, Imperial.....	Potato Grower.....	Aug. 1, 2016
Tracil Power, Shelton.....	Potato Grower.....	Aug. 1, 2015
Rich Rehfeld, O'Neill .....	Potato Shipper.....	Aug. 1, 2016
Joseph Thompson, Alliance .....	Potato Shipper.....	Aug. 1, 2015
Greg Ibach, Lincoln (Chairman) .....	Director of Agriculture .....	Ex Officio
Ronnie Green, Lincoln.....	Institute of Agriculture & Natural Resources.....	Ex Officio

**Poultry and Egg Development,  
Utilization and Marketing**

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**Statutory Reference:** 2-3402

The Poultry and Egg Development, Utilization and Marketing Program was created in 1976 with the passage of the Poultry and Egg Resources Act by the Legislature. The division works with public and private organizations to conduct programs enhancing the image of poultry, eggs and related products. These endeavors include consumer education, research, advertising, promotion, utilization and market development. A voluntary checkoff fee of up to 5 cents per case of eggs and 3 cents per marketed turkey may be assessed to run these programs.

**Nebraska Poultry and Egg Development,  
Utilization and Marketing Committee**

**Statutory Reference:** 2-3404

The Nebraska Poultry and Egg Development, Utilization and Marketing Committee advises the director on poultry and egg industry issues. State law calls for the elected directors of Nebraska Poultry Industries Inc. to serve as committee members. Ex officio committee members may include, but are not limited to, the following: the state director of agriculture; the vice chancellor of the University of Nebraska Insti-

tute of Agriculture and Natural Resources; the UNL Department of Animal Sciences chairperson; a Department of Animal Sciences poultry specialist; the Nebraska Poultry Industries general manager; and a consumer organization representative.

<b>Member</b>	<b>Position</b>
Tim Bebee, Wakefield.....	Director
William Bevans, Waverly.....	Director
Joe Brown, Wakefield.....	Director
William Claybaugh, Carroll.....	Director
Jerry Felber, Lincoln.....	Director
Julie Kelly, Wakefield.....	Director
Jesus Lopez, David City.....	Director
Jeff May, Lees Summit, Mo. ....	Director
Greg Nelson, Manhattan, Kan.....	Director
Lowell Ostrand, Wakefield.....	Director
Kevin Pohlmeier, Lawrence.....	Director
Ken Potter, Rising City.....	Director
Jim Sechrist, Bonner Springs, Kan.....	Director
John Toney, Omaha.....	Director
Larry Berger, Lincoln.....	Animal Science Department, UNL (Ex Officio)
Rolando Flores, Lincoln.....	Food Science and Technology, UNL (Ex Officio)
Glenn Froning, Lincoln.....	Food Science and Technology, UNL (Ex Officio)
David Hardin, Lincoln.....	Veterinary Medicine& Biomedical Sciences, UNL (Ex Officio)
Greg Ibach, Lincoln.....	Director of Agriculture (Ex Officio)
Sheila Purdum, Lincoln.....	Extension Poultry Specialist, UNL (Ex Officio)
Tom Schomer, Lincoln.....	Deputy State Veterinarian (Ex Officio)
Bob Storant, Lincoln.....	Department of Agriculture (Ex Officio)
Harshavardhan Thippareddi, Lincoln.....	Extension Food Safety Specialist, UNL (Ex Officio)

### *Animal and Plant Health Protection*

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**Statutory Reference:** 81-202

In 2013, the Nebraska Department of Agriculture combined two previously separate divisions into one focus area – combining the Bureau of Plant Industry and the Bureau of Animal Industry to create the Animal and Plant Health Protection (APH) Focus Area.

Livestock health was first vested in a Livestock Sanitary Board created in 1885 that consisted of a three-member, governor-appointed commission and a state veterinary surgeon. The 1901 Legislature repealed the 1885 act and made the governor the state veterinarian with power to appoint a deputy to perform the work of the office. In 1913, power was given to a five-member board with the governor as state veterinarian. The 1919 Legislature created the Bureau of Animal Industry as part of the new Department of Agriculture, with the state veterinarian in charge of the bureau. The state veterinarian

continues to oversee livestock programming duties under the current APHP Focus Area, which includes the control and eradication of diseases that affect Nebraska livestock.

The ongoing work of the animal health protection programming sector of the APHP Focus Area includes regulation of health requirements for animals imported into, or moving within, the state. Animal movement is one of the primary surveillance functions of this area. In conjunction with our state's import program, which collects animal movement data, the focus area also works with the federal animal identification system.

Licensing programs within the animal programming sector of APHP includes annual licensing and inspection processes for livestock dealers, livestock markets, rendering facilities and pet food facilities.

The department collaborates with the U.S. Department of Agriculture to control and eradicate livestock diseases, federally referred to as "program diseases," such as brucellosis, tuberculosis, pseudorabies, scrapie, chronic wasting disease, swine enteric coronavirus disease, equine infectious anemia, avian influenza, equine piroplasmiasis and salmonella pullorum.

The animal programs for APHP also are charged with implementing licensing programs for domesticated cervine animal facilities and commercial dog and cat facilities. Homeland security efforts through outreach activities on production biosecurity, management practices, foreign animal disease education and participation in emergency response activities are supported in the agency. These functions also address production food safety issues at different levels from production to slaughter.

Focus area veterinarians serve as consultants for practicing veterinarians in Nebraska on matters such as emerging disease issues, federal and state regulatory requirements, emergency response and auction market work. They also record and monitor animal health issues related to exotic animal auctions and swap meets.

Plant health protection programming areas consist of the following programs: plant certification and inspection; feed, fertilizer and agricultural lime; pesticides; entomology; noxious weed control; and seed.

The focus area administers the apiary, plant protection and plant pest, commercial feed, commercial fertilizer and soil conditioner, agricultural liming materials, pesticide and seed and noxious weed control laws.

The export certification program helps facilitate the export of plants and plant products by inspecting and certifying shipments for interstate and international markets. This program also helps facilitate the shipment of corn, sorghum, broom corn and sudan grass grains to areas with a European corn borer quarantine in effect.

The feed, fertilizer and agricultural lime program has a staff of field inspectors who sample commercial and custom-mixed feeds, fertilizers and agricultural liming materials to assure customers that products meet label guarantees. Samples are submitted to the Nebraska Agricultural Laboratory, where they are analyzed and compared to label guarantees. The inspectors also routinely inspect firms that handle these products to make certain the firms are using good manufacturing practices in their operations.

The focus area also has developed a program to prevent the introduction and spread of BSE, also known as "mad cow disease." Inspections are performed and feeds are tested to make certain that prohibited materials, including meat and bone meal derived

from ruminants, are not being fed to ruminant animals. An outreach program also has been developed to provide information to the public on what can be done to prevent the introduction of BSE.

The entomology program is responsible for preventing harmful plant pests from being introduced and becoming established in Nebraska. This is accomplished by conducting statewide detection surveys for plant pests, inspecting plant material and educating industry on exotic and invasive plant pest issues.

The pesticide program regulates the distribution, use, storage, application and disposal of pesticides. Under a cooperative agreement with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, the program enforces provisions of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act. Programs are developed to implement various provisions of this act that deal with endangered species, worker protection and groundwater.

The 1998 Legislature passed the Nebraska Buffer Strip Act. The intent of the act was to develop a program providing incentives to landowners who establish buffer strips on certain types of lands to reduce the levels of sediment, crop nutrients and pesticides being introduced into surface water resources. Landowners who desire to participate in the buffer strip program are eligible to receive payments of up to \$250 per acre for up to 10 years. Landowners whose lands are accepted into the program are required to enter into agreements with their natural resources districts. This includes agreeing to maintain the lands according to the contact requirements.

The seed program provides for the collection of samples of agricultural seeds, lawn grass seed and vegetable seed. Samples collected are submitted to the Nebraska Agriculture Laboratory, where tests for purity, germination, content of noxious weed seed and other special tests are performed.

The noxious weed program protects Nebraskans from the threat posed by noxious weeds. The director of agriculture designates which plants are considered noxious and determines what control measures to use. The inspection staff evaluates county noxious weed programs, conducts annual county noxious weed surveys and responds to reports of uncontrolled noxious weed infestations. The program provides assistance to county weed control programs when training is needed for county weed superintendents.

### **Wildlife Services (Animal Damage Control)**

The Nebraska Department of Agriculture has a contractual agreement with the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Wildlife Services (formerly Animal Damage Control) to carry out wildlife services in Nebraska.<sup>4</sup>

Wildlife Services provides operational and educational help to requesting landowners and public or private agencies within participating counties to control predatory mammals, field rodents, commensal rodents and birds.

Wildlife Services helps farmers and ranchers protect livestock from predatory animals. Services are provided to municipalities needing assistance with nuisance situations. One example would be the removal of large birds near airports if the birds present safety concerns for aircraft.

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<sup>4</sup>For more information about U.S. Wildlife Services, see Page 98.

### Market News

Market News is a cooperative effort with USDA Market News Service to expand livestock auction feeder cattle market price reporting at a comparable level to surrounding states. Eleven additional markets were added as a result of this agreement.

### *Food Safety and Consumer Protection*

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**Statutory Reference:** 81-1,102.01

Food regulation in Nebraska began in 1899 with the creation of a Food Commission. In 1907, the commission became the Food, Dairy and Drug Commission. The duties of oil inspector, first established in 1887, were added to the commission in 1913. The governor was the commissioner and appointed a deputy, a state chemist and other employees.

The duties of the defunct Hotel Commission were added by the 1917 Legislature. This involved regulation of hotels, rooming houses, apartments and restaurants.

In 1937, the Legislature changed the bureau's name to the Bureau of Dairies, Foods and Drugs when a law concerning milk and cream testing was rewritten. Drug regulation was vested with the Department of Health in 1941.

The bureau enforced bingo laws from 1959 to 1965 after the 1959 Legislature legalized the game. Bingo law regulation was then transferred to the state tax commissioner's office.

The Department of Agriculture was reorganized by the director in 1967 to transfer administration of feed, fertilizer and poison laws to the Bureau of Plant Industry. Administration of livestock remedies law was transferred to the Bureau of Animal Industry. Also, the department laboratory was given division status.

In 1967, the Legislature passed the Nebraska Egg Law, which set standards for eggs consistent with those established by the U.S. Department of Agriculture. The act was paid for by a license fee and an inspection fee based on the volume of eggs handled. The law was updated in 1969 with a new licensing and inspection fee schedule. The 1969 act further required mandatory coding and dating of consumer packages of eggs.

In 1981, all previous food laws, with the exception of the Graded Egg Act, were repealed by the Legislature and replaced by the Nebraska Pure Food Act.

Except for earlier laws covering the grading of eggs, the duties of the Bureau of Dairies and Foods were established by the Nebraska Pure Food Act, last revised in 2012, which regulates commercial food in Nebraska. The types of establishments licensed and inspected include restaurants, taverns, grocery stores, bakeries, food processors, food storage establishments, mobile food units and push carts, vending, temporary food establishments, salvage distributors, salvage processing plants and itinerant food vendors.

In 2007, legislation combined the Manufacturing Milk Act and the Grade A Milk

Law into one, which is now known as the Nebraska Milk Act. The act retains the farm requirements for manufacturing farms, but makes milk processing and various other requirements equivalent to those found in the FDA/PHS Pasteurized Milk Ordinance. In addition, the law modified permit fees and the way inspection fees are calculated. This change is more equitable, spreads costs to all of the industry and provides some flexibility to raise or lower fees as necessary to maintain the program.

In 2013, Nebraska law was brought in line with federal requirements that enable the industry to ship milk and milk products through interstate commerce.

The FSCP contains the Weights and Measures Program, formerly the Weights and Measures Division. When the Department of Agriculture was created in 1919, the Division of Weights and Measures became part of the Bureau of Markets and Marketing. The division checked commercial weighing and measuring devices for statewide accuracy. Though packaged products were not widely used, the division monitored the products for accurate quantity and continues to do so today. Prepackaging now is common with the variety of packaged commodities numbering in the millions.

In the mid-1940s, the division became part of the Bureau of Dairies and Foods, where it remained until 1972. The division's activities were sporadic and were conducted by the Bureau of Dairies and Foods and the Bureau of Plant Industry. In 1970, staff members were hired specifically for weights. In 1971, the Nebraska Standards Laboratory was created with the capability of making precise calibrations of standards of mass, length and volume.

After a new weights and measures law was passed in 1972, inspection duties were given to one section for administration. In 1974, the Weights and Measures Division became a division within the Department of Agriculture. That same year, a regulation for the Voluntary Registration of Service Agencies and Servicemen for Commercial Weighing and Measuring Devices was adopted, as well as a regulation pertaining to requirements for pit scales that set minimum standards for construction. In 1982, the pit regulations were updated, and regulations were added regarding pitless-type scale installations. In 1991, the regulations again were updated to recognize advancements in technology and require only weighing and measuring devices that hold a national-type evaluation program certificate of conformance to be used in commerce.

The current Weights and Measures Program protects the integrity of commercial measurements through certification of weighing and measuring equipment, evaluations of net quantity and pricing representations of packaged commodities and by ensuring that marketing practices provide the ability to make price and quantity comparisons.

The program annually inspects over 36,000 commercial weighing and measuring devices including railroad track and supermarket point of sale scales, meters used to measure bulk deliveries of refined fuels, liquefied petroleum gases and fuel pumps at service stations and convenience stores. In addition, the program annually conducts over 75,000 random inspections of packaged commodities to verify that these packages contain the net quantity represented by the packer.

The Weights and Measures Program is a member of and actively participates in the National Conference on Weights and Measures and the Central Weights and Measures Association.

# Nebraska National Agricultural Rankings\*

## June 2014

Rank	Category	Number
1st	Cattle on feed, Jan. 1, 2014	2,450,000 Head
1st	Commercial cattle slaughter, 2013	6,869,800 Head
1st	Commercial cattle slaughter, live weight, 2013	9,389,940,000 Pounds
1st	Commercial red meat production, 2013	7,353,000,000 Pounds
1st	Great Northern beans production, 2013	1,243,000 Cwt.
1st	Irrigated cropland, Census of Agriculture, 2012	8,296,573 Acres
1st	Popcorn production, Census of Agriculture, 2012	353,711,118 Pounds
2nd	Beef and veal exports, 2012	\$840,000,000
2nd	Bison inventory, Census of Agriculture, 2012	23,152 Head
2nd	Cattle and calves - all, Jan. 1, 2014	6,150,000 Head
2nd	Light red kidney bean production, 2013	185,000 Cwt.
2nd	Pinto bean production, 2013	1,174,000 Cwt.
3rd	Corn for grain production, 2013	1,623,500,000 Bushels
3rd	Dry edible bean production, 2013	2,750,000 Cwt
3rd	Farm marketing cash receipts, 2012	\$24,465,882,000
3rd	Proso millet production, 2013	4,576,000 Bushels
4th	Beef cows - all, Jan. 1, 2014	1,797,000 Head
4th	Black dry edible bean production, 2013	93,000 Cwt.
4th	Land in farms, 2013	45,300,000 Acres
4th	Off-farm grain storage capacity, Dec. 1, 2013	885,130,000 Bushels
4th	On-farm grain storage capacity, Dec. 1, 2013	1,150,000,000 Bushels
5th	Agriculture exports, 2012	\$7,285,500,000
5th	Soybean production, 2013	252,280,000 Bushels
5th	Sugarbeet production, 2013	1,313,000 Tons
6th	Cropland, Census of Agriculture, 2012	21,597,393 Acres
6th	Hogs and pigs - all, Dec. 1, 2013	3,100,000 Head
6th	Principal crops harvested, 2013	18,756,000 Acres
6th	Sorghum for silage production, 2013	300,000 Tons
7th	Commercial hog slaughter, 2013	7,595,900 Head
7th	Commercial hog slaughter, live weight, 2013	2,076,018,000 Pounds
7th	Sorghum for grain production, 2013	9,380,000 Bushels
8th	Alfalfa hay production, 2013	2,415,000 Tons
8th	Sunflower production, 2013	34,675,000 Pounds
9th	Other hay (excludes alfalfa) production, 2013	2,520,000 Tons
9th	Corn for silage production, 2013	4,160,000 Tons
10th	Fall potatoes, 2013	8,418,000 Cwt.
10th	Table egg layers, 2013	9,257,000 Layers
11th	All hay production, 2013	4,935,000 Tons
12th	Oat production, 2013	1,625,000 Bushels
13th	Honey production, 2013	2,760,000 Pounds
14th	Chickens, 2013	11,420,000 Head
15th	Winter wheat production, 2013	39,550,000 Bushels

\* Source: USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service.

## Crop Production in Nebraska, 1949-2013\*

Year	WHEAT			CORN FOR GRAIN		
	Harvested Acres	Production in Bushels	Value	Harvested Acres	Production in Bushels	Value
1949	4,165,000	58,213,000	111,123,000	7,293,000	226,812,000	274,443,000
1950	4,051,000	88,482,000	180,503,000	6,710,000	241,560,000	350,262,000
1951	4,005,000	58,073,000	125,370,000	6,726,000	188,328,000	291,908,000
1952	4,390,000	98,367,000	205,561,000	6,660,000	253,080,000	377,089,000
1953	3,856,000	85,980,000	178,838,000	6,646,000	196,057,000	288,204,000
1954	3,107,000	60,093,000	129,801,000	6,497,000	188,413,000	275,083,000
1955	3,141,000	78,255,000	156,510,000	4,775,000	95,500,000	137,520,000
1956	3,324,000	64,698,000	128,741,000	4,037,000	94,870,000	129,023,000
1957	2,920,000	78,741,000	151,172,000	4,718,000	219,387,000	239,132,000
1958	3,442,000	113,488,000	197,463,000	5,415,000	276,165,000	309,305,000
1959	3,104,000	68,204,000	120,023,000	6,558,000	318,063,000	327,605,000
1960	3,011,000	85,712,000	148,263,000	6,538,000	333,438,000	326,769,000
1961	3,220,000	78,807,000	140,276,000	5,296,000	275,392,000	305,685,000
1962	2,760,000	53,820,000	104,411,000	5,031,000	304,376,000	337,857,000
1963	2,815,000	60,522,000	110,755,000	5,031,000	286,767,000	309,708,000
1964	2,871,000	70,340,000	93,552,000	3,793,000	204,822,000	237,594,000
1965	2,727,000	54,540,000	72,538,000	3,565,000	249,550,000	291,974,000
1966	2,860,000	100,100,000	163,163,000	4,100,000	328,000,000	390,320,000
1967	3,265,000	86,523,000	114,210,000	4,510,000	333,740,000	350,427,000
1968	3,070,000	98,240,000	114,941,000	4,239,000	313,686,000	341,918,000
1969	2,650,000	83,495,000	97,666,000	4,620,000	434,280,000	473,365,000
1970	2,410,000	91,580,000	111,728,000	4,828,000	366,928,000	458,660,000
1971	2,434,000	102,228,000	126,763,000	5,300,000	450,500,000	500,055,000
1972	2,509,000	92,833,000	161,529,000	5,135,000	534,040,000	817,081,000
1973	2,680,000	93,800,000	356,440,000	5,900,000	554,600,000	1,336,586,000
1974	2,900,000	98,600,000	395,666,000	5,700,000	399,000,000	1,165,080,000
1975	3,070,000	98,240,000	333,034,000	5,920,000	503,200,000	1,247,936,000
1976	2,950,000	94,400,000	224,672,000	6,100,000	518,500,000	1,068,110,000
1977	2,950,000	103,250,000	229,215,000	6,550,000	648,450,000	1,277,447,000
1978	2,550,000	81,600,000	227,664,000	6,750,000	762,750,000	1,693,305,000
1979	2,550,000	86,700,000	319,056,000	7,150,000	822,250,000	2,039,180,000
1980	2,850,000	108,300,000	413,706,000	7,100,000	603,500,000	1,858,780,000
1981	2,900,000	104,400,000	384,192,000	6,880,000	791,200,000	1,954,264,000
1982	2,900,000	101,500,000	340,025,000	6,800,000	748,000,000	2,109,360,000
1983	2,300,000	98,900,000	331,315,000	4,850,000	470,450,000	1,472,509,000
1984	2,250,000	81,000,000	266,490,000	6,950,000	806,200,000	2,079,996,000
1985	2,300,000	89,700,000	250,263,000	7,450,000	953,600,000	2,116,992,000
1986	2,000,000	76,000,000	169,480,000	7,000,000	896,000,000	1,361,920,000
1987	1,950,000	85,800,000	210,210,000	6,200,000	812,200,000	1,591,912,000
1988	2,000,000	72,000,000	263,520,000	6,600,000	818,400,000	2,029,632,000
1989	2,050,000	55,350,000	207,563,000	7,000,000	847,000,000	1,948,100,000
1990	2,250,000	85,500,000	216,315,000	7,300,000	934,400,000	2,130,432,000
1991	2,100,000	67,200,000	202,272,000	7,800,000	990,600,000	2,318,004,000
1992	1,850,000	55,500,000	175,380,000	7,900,000	1,066,500,000	2,228,985,000
1993	2,100,000	73,500,000	223,440,000	7,550,000	785,200,000	1,978,704,000
1994	2,100,000	71,400,000	242,046,000	8,250,000	1,146,750,000	2,671,928,000
1995	2,100,000	86,100,000	392,616,000	7,700,000	854,700,000	2,752,134,000
1996	2,100,000	73,500,000	315,315,000	8,250,000	1,179,750,000	3,114,540,000
1997	1,900,000	70,300,000	224,960,000	8,600,000	1,135,200,000	2,633,664,000
1998	1,800,000	82,800,000	210,312,000	8,550,000	1,239,750,000	2,330,730,000
1999	1,700,000	81,600,000	179,520,000	8,300,000	1,153,700,000	2,018,975,000
2000	1,650,000	59,400,000	155,034,000	8,050,000	1,014,300,000	1,927,170,000
2001	1,600,000	59,200,000	162,800,000	7,750,000	1,139,250,000	2,210,145,000
2002	1,520,000	50,160,000	180,576,000	7,350,000	940,800,000	2,182,656,000
2003	1,820,000	83,720,000	269,578,000	7,700,000	1,124,200,000	2,686,838,000
2004	1,650,000	61,050,000	197,192,000	7,950,000	1,319,700,000	2,665,794,000
2005	1,760,000	68,640,000	230,630,000	8,250,000	1,270,500,000	2,439,360,000
2006	1,700,000	61,200,000	279,684,000	7,750,000	1,178,000,000	3,534,000,000
2007	1,960,000	84,280,000	490,510,000	9,200,000	1,472,000,000	6,094,080,000
2008	1,670,000	73,480,000	490,846,000	8,550,000	1,393,650,000	5,644,283,000
2009	1,600,000	76,800,000	363,264,000	8,850,000	1,575,300,000	5,639,574,000
2010	1,490,000	64,070,000	337,649,000	8,850,000	1,469,100,000	7,477,719,000
2011	1,450,000	65,250,000	437,175,000	9,600,000	1,536,000,000	9,384,960,000
2012	1,300,000	53,300,000	419,471,000	9,100,000	1,292,200,000	8,851,570,000
2013	1,130,000	39,550,000	270,918,000	9,550,000	1,623,500,000	7,386,925,000

\*Source: USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service.

## Crop Production in Nebraska, 1949-2013 (Cont'd.)\*

Year	OATS			BARLEY		
	Harvested Acres	Production in Bushels	Value	Harvested Acres	Production in Bushels	Value
1949	2,228,000	45,674,000	29,231,000	326,000	6,096,000	5,547,000
1950	2,562,000	61,488,000	47,961,000	310,000	4,650,000	5,068,000
1951	2,101,000	56,727,000	47,651,000	202,000	4,444,000	5,333,000
1952	2,374,000	45,106,000	34,732,000	166,000	3,403,000	4,152,000
1953	2,232,000	41,292,000	29,317,000	174,000	3,306,000	3,537,000
1954	2,254,000	63,112,000	44,178,000	226,000	3,955,000	4,153,000
1955	2,029,000	52,754,000	33,763,000	190,000	3,800,000	3,534,000
1956	1,339,000	16,068,000	12,212,000	190,000	2,280,000	2,326,000
1957	1,500,000	50,250,000	30,150,000	239,000	7,409,000	5,927,000
1958	1,380,000	48,300,000	27,048,000	244,000	6,710,000	5,905,000
1959	1,277,000	31,925,000	20,113,000	317,000	6,816,000	4,976,000
1960	1,213,000	43,062,000	24,976,000	225,000	6,525,000	4,633,000
1961	1,067,000	34,144,000	21,511,000	225,000	6,300,000	5,103,000
1962	939,000	30,987,000	19,832,000	117,000	3,042,000	2,525,000
1963	845,000	23,238,000	15,105,000	84,000	1,512,000	1,270,000
1964	617,000	17,584,000	11,781,000	78,000	1,638,000	1,441,000
1965	617,000	24,680,000	16,042,000	37,000	1,110,000	1,010,000
1966	543,000	21,720,000	14,770,000	32,000	960,000	941,000
1967	483,000	20,010,000	14,287,000	25,000	875,000	831,000
1968	464,000	12,760,000	8,549,000	35,000	1,155,000	1,016,000
1969	561,000	24,404,000	15,130,000	40,000	1,360,000	1,197,000
1970	578,000	24,276,000	15,779,000	45,000	1,620,000	1,442,000
1971	517,000	26,367,000	17,402,000	42,000	1,680,000	1,529,000
1972	390,000	19,110,000	14,715,000	38,000	1,292,000	1,331,000
1973	430,000	21,070,000	24,231,000	30,000	1,080,000	1,890,000
1974	535,000	25,145,000	38,220,000	27,000	945,000	2,079,000
1975	590,000	28,910,000	41,630,000	33,000	1,188,000	2,435,000
1976	660,000	27,720,000	41,580,000	40,000	1,440,000	2,808,000
1977	700,000	40,600,000	40,194,000	43,000	1,935,000	3,077,000
1978	450,000	21,150,000	25,803,000	29,000	1,102,000	1,873,000
1979	400,000	21,200,000	27,984,000	28,000	1,204,000	2,107,000
1980	380,000	15,580,000	28,823,000	25,000	950,000	2,185,000
1981	395,000	15,800,000	30,178,000	22,000	858,000	1,888,000
1982	460,000	26,680,000	38,686,000	22,000	1,100,000	2,200,000
1983	310,000	13,640,000	23,052,000	69,000	2,691,000	6,189,000
1984	320,000	15,680,000	26,813,000	78,000	2,652,000	5,437,000
1985	420,000	25,620,000	29,975,000	120,000	3,840,000	6,336,000
1986	360,000	21,240,000	24,001,000	135,000	5,400,000	6,480,000
1987	360,000	17,640,000	28,577,000	70,000	2,520,000	3,024,000
1988	320,000	12,160,000	29,062,000	60,000	1,920,000	3,648,000
1989	240,000	8,640,000	13,478,000	25,000	650,000	1,138,000
1990	280,000	13,440,000	15,994,000	22,000	880,000	1,945,000
1991	220,000	11,880,000	14,375,000	27,000	1,026,000	1,847,000
1992	220,000	15,400,000	20,174,000	17,000	850,000	1,615,000
1993	160,000	6,880,000	9,838,000	14,000	532,000	958,000
1994	150,000	7,500,000	9,675,000	8,000	304,000	562,000
1995	90,000	4,500,000	8,235,000	6,000	222,000	477,000
1996	105,000	7,455,000	15,730,000	17,000	901,000	1,937,000
1997	90,000	5,850,000	10,472,000	9,000	459,000	1,010,000
1998	95,000	5,320,000	6,331,000	8,000	400,000	720,000
1999	75,000	4,650,000	5,022,000	3,000	144,000	202,000
2000	45,000	1,890,000	2,684,000	5,000	135,000	216,000
2001	60,000	3,660,000	5,819,000	4,000	180,000	297,000
2002	55,000	2,365,000	4,730,000	4,000	128,000	237,000
2003	90,000	6,570,000	10,052,000	4,000	200,000	380,000
2004	50,000	3,400,000	5,134,000	3,000	162,000	292,000
2005	60,000	4,380,000	7,139,000	-	-	-
2006	45,000	2,025,000	4,030,000	-	-	-
2007	35,000	2,135,000	6,704,000	-	-	-
2008	35,000	2,450,000	8,477,000	-	-	-
2009	30,000	2,070,000	4,699,000	-	-	-
2010	25,000	1,700,000	5,151,000	-	-	-
2011	20,000	1,300,000	4,888,000	-	-	-
2012	18,000	1,026,000	4,319,000	-	-	-
2013	25,000	1,625,000	6,744,000	-	-	-

\* Source: USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service.

## Crop Production in Nebraska, 1949-2013 (Cont'd.)\*

Year	SORGHUM FOR GRAIN			SOYBEANS		
	Harvested Acres	Production in Bushels	Value	Harvested Acres	Production in Bushels	Value
1949.....	109,000	2,572,000	3,164,000	20,000	444,000	959,000
1950.....	194,000	4,850,000	4,898,000	50,000	1,200,000	2,880,000
1951.....	128,000	1,664,000	2,196,000	58,000	1,276,000	3,394,000
1952.....	97,000	2,231,000	3,101,000	88,000	2,288,000	6,086,000
1953.....	187,000	2,992,000	3,590,000	105,000	1,942,000	4,991,000
1954.....	540,000	14,580,000	17,788,000	188,000	4,042,000	9,458,000
1955.....	720,000	7,920,000	8,237,000	180,000	1,890,000	3,988,000
1956.....	889,000	12,446,000	14,188,000	146,000	1,679,000	3,526,000
1957.....	1,983,000	77,337,000	74,244,000	142,000	3,692,000	7,199,000
1958.....	1,624,000	76,328,000	78,618,000	206,000	5,974,000	11,590,000
1959.....	1,418,000	61,683,000	48,113,000	146,000	3,504,000	6,482,000
1960.....	1,796,000	90,698,000	72,558,000	164,000	4,592,000	8,908,000
1961.....	1,185,000	59,842,000	59,842,000	292,000	7,446,000	16,158,000
1962.....	1,540,000	101,640,000	101,640,000	310,000	8,370,000	18,665,000
1963.....	1,863,000	102,465,000	94,268,000	356,000	10,146,000	24,553,000
1964.....	1,975,000	90,850,000	89,942,000	523,000	11,506,000	28,535,000
1965.....	2,271,000	121,498,000	110,563,000	696,000	16,356,000	39,582,000
1966.....	2,089,000	142,052,000	136,370,000	745,000	21,978,000	58,022,000
1967.....	2,193,000	123,904,000	110,275,000	782,000	17,595,000	42,932,000
1968.....	1,700,000	98,600,000	86,768,000	782,000	18,377,000	43,737,000
1969.....	1,514,000	110,522,000	106,101,000	766,000	24,895,000	55,765,000
1970.....	1,480,000	75,480,000	81,518,000	812,000	17,864,000	49,662,000
1971.....	2,057,000	123,420,000	114,781,000	609,000	15,225,000	45,523,000
1972.....	1,640,000	118,080,000	161,770,000	707,000	22,978,000	102,712,000
1973.....	2,000,000	136,000,000	284,240,000	1,210,000	36,300,000	194,931,000
1974.....	1,900,000	62,700,000	168,663,000	1,150,000	28,175,000	175,249,000
1975.....	1,900,000	104,500,000	237,215,000	1,200,000	32,400,000	155,844,000
1976.....	2,100,000	119,700,000	215,460,000	980,000	19,600,000	127,008,000
1977.....	2,070,000	146,970,000	257,198,000	1,130,000	40,680,000	233,503,000
1978.....	1,870,000	140,250,000	263,670,000	1,250,000	42,500,000	276,250,000
1979.....	1,920,000	151,680,000	341,280,000	1,610,000	54,740,000	325,703,000
1980.....	2,030,000	121,800,000	347,130,000	1,770,000	53,100,000	384,975,000
1981.....	2,060,000	164,800,000	352,672,000	2,070,000	78,660,000	455,441,000
1982.....	1,760,000	128,480,000	294,219,000	2,250,000	78,750,000	437,700,000
1983.....	1,000,000	61,000,000	162,260,000	2,070,000	58,995,000	452,492,000
1984.....	1,900,000	121,600,000	269,952,000	2,550,000	66,300,000	373,269,000
1985.....	1,930,000	154,400,000	296,448,000	2,360,000	84,960,000	412,906,000
1986.....	1,530,000	136,170,000	183,830,000	2,450,000	93,100,000	424,536,000
1987.....	1,300,000	106,600,000	172,692,000	2,350,000	83,425,000	485,534,000
1988.....	1,360,000	103,360,000	223,258,000	2,360,000	70,800,000	517,548,000
1989.....	1,630,000	101,060,000	205,152,000	2,560,000	81,920,000	446,464,000
1990.....	1,410,000	108,570,000	222,568,000	2,360,000	81,420,000	455,138,000
1991.....	1,350,000	90,450,000	202,608,000	2,460,000	82,410,000	450,783,000
1992.....	1,530,000	143,820,000	260,314,000	2,460,000	103,320,000	554,828,000
1993.....	1,250,000	73,750,000	167,413,000	2,500,000	90,000,000	558,000,000
1994.....	1,200,000	117,600,000	230,496,000	2,860,000	134,420,000	711,082,000
1995.....	980,000	56,840,000	172,225,000	3,060,000	100,980,000	662,429,000
1996.....	1,030,000	97,850,000	228,969,000	3,010,000	135,450,000	973,886,000
1997.....	750,000	60,750,000	130,637,000	3,550,000	143,775,000	902,907,000
1998.....	600,000	56,400,000	94,752,000	3,750,000	165,000,000	796,950,000
1999.....	470,000	42,770,000	64,908,000	4,250,000	180,625,000	807,394,000
2000.....	500,000	35,000,000	64,288,000	4,575,000	173,850,000	771,894,000
2001.....	425,000	35,700,000	64,574,000	4,900,000	222,950,000	934,161,000
2002.....	320,000	16,000,000	37,901,000	4,580,000	176,330,000	957,472,000
2003.....	500,000	31,000,000	72,738,000	4,500,000	182,250,000	1,279,395,000
2004.....	415,000	32,370,000	55,832,000	4,750,000	218,500,000	1,210,490,000
2005.....	250,000	21,750,000	37,149,000	4,660,000	235,330,000	1,306,082,000
2006.....	240,000	18,720,000	58,077,000	5,010,000	250,500,000	1,515,525,000
2007.....	240,000	22,560,000	89,699,000	3,850,000	196,350,000	1,947,792,000
2008.....	210,000	19,110,000	62,069,000	4,860,000	225,990,000	2,212,442,000
2009.....	140,000	13,020,000	40,977,000	4,760,000	259,420,000	2,459,302,000
2010.....	75,000	6,750,000	33,037,000	5,100,000	267,750,000	2,945,250,000
2011.....	70,000	6,580,000	38,690,000	4,830,000	261,360,000	3,136,320,000
2012.....	60,000	3,540,000	23,987,000	4,990,000	207,085,000	2,919,899,000
2013.....	140,000	9,380,000	38,345,000	4,760,000	252,280,000	3,153,500,000

\*Source: USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service.

## Crop Production in Nebraska, 1949-2013 (Cont'd.)\*

Year	SUGAR BEETS			ALL HAY		
	Harvested Acres	Production in Tons	Value	Harvested Acres	Production in Tons	Value
1949.....	38,000	558,000	5,859,000	4,871,000	5,260,000	77,322,000
1950.....	59,000	812,000	9,582,000	4,994,000	5,563,000	80,107,000
1951.....	55,000	683,000	7,991,000	5,138,000	6,194,000	108,395,000
1952.....	57,900	904,000	9,582,000	5,317,000	6,098,000	140,864,000
1953.....	51,700	789,000	9,130,000	5,391,000	5,529,000	103,604,000
1954.....	60,100	786,000	8,410,000	5,595,000	6,399,000	113,262,000
1955.....	46,300	665,000	7,514,000	5,506,000	5,514,000	103,663,000
1956.....	56,100	848,000	10,939,000	5,339,000	4,966,000	106,272,000
1957.....	59,800	895,000	10,561,000	5,435,000	7,655,000	94,922,000
1958.....	61,100	902,000	11,185,000	5,236,000	7,344,000	71,237,000
1959.....	63,900	1,107,000	13,505,000	4,772,000	6,230,000	92,204,000
1960.....	68,700	1,226,000	15,815,000	4,922,000	6,685,000	100,275,000
1961.....	77,700	1,155,000	14,322,000	4,900,000	6,047,000	100,985,000
1962.....	72,700	940,000	12,314,000	5,227,000	7,433,000	115,212,000
1963.....	83,100	1,594,000	19,766,000	4,809,000	6,602,000	118,836,000
1964.....	86,200	1,407,000	18,150,000	4,724,000	6,272,000	126,067,000
1965.....	66,500	928,000	12,064,000	4,673,000	7,063,000	134,197,000
1966.....	65,200	1,205,000	16,388,000	4,490,000	6,379,000	137,148,000
1967.....	62,900	853,000	12,283,000	4,491,000	6,497,000	126,692,000
1968.....	71,800	1,222,000	18,819,000	4,297,000	6,054,000	133,188,000
1969.....	87,300	1,673,000	19,407,000	4,328,000	6,951,000	142,496,000
1970.....	78,700	1,365,000	20,202,000	4,150,000	6,100,000	128,100,000
1971.....	77,700	1,425,000	23,085,000	4,170,000	6,933,000	145,593,000
1972.....	82,100	1,650,000	29,865,000	4,050,000	7,140,000	171,360,000
1973.....	74,400	1,482,000	53,352,000	4,050,000	7,476,000	242,970,000
1974.....	75,500	1,382,000	69,376,000	3,850,000	6,270,000	282,150,000
1975.....	96,000	1,776,000	51,326,000	3,950,000	6,503,000	292,635,000
1976.....	84,500	1,690,000	35,997,000	3,800,000	5,953,000	315,509,000
1977.....	67,700	1,354,000	36,558,000	3,900,000	7,530,000	252,255,000
1978.....	76,000	1,368,000	38,030,000	3,800,000	7,538,000	263,830,000
1979.....	72,400	1,462,000	49,708,000	3,700,000	7,618,000	312,338,000
1980.....	85,000	1,777,000	83,519,000	3,700,000	7,083,000	389,565,000
1981.....	78,400	1,889,000	63,659,000	3,650,000	7,010,000	417,095,000
1982.....	45,400	926,000	32,317,000	3,700,000	7,855,000	361,330,000
1983.....	65,300	1,233,000	38,963,000	3,650,000	7,635,000	389,385,000
1984.....	67,500	1,480,000	33,596,000	3,700,000	7,695,000	377,055,000
1985.....	53,200	1,229,000	35,027,000	3,300,000	6,755,000	283,710,000
1986.....	59,000	1,387,000	45,078,000	3,450,000	7,388,000	251,192,000
1987.....	60,200	1,102,000	39,121,000	3,100,000	6,865,000	274,600,000
1988.....	62,200	1,319,000	56,981,000	3,400,000	6,510,000	413,385,000
1989.....	62,200	1,169,000	50,501,000	3,200,000	5,705,000	430,228,000
1990.....	71,000	1,491,000	59,789,000	3,650,000	7,205,000	410,548,000
1991.....	78,100	1,578,000	61,542,000	3,600,000	7,473,000	335,856,000
1992.....	77,500	1,387,000	54,925,000	3,450,000	7,793,000	350,570,000
1993.....	79,600	1,473,000	52,586,000	3,450,000	7,323,000	359,011,000
1994.....	74,100	1,504,000	54,896,000	3,300,000	7,415,000	391,490,000
1995.....	72,300	1,186,000	40,798,000	3,150,000	7,200,000	407,700,000
1996.....	51,200	913,000	40,537,000	3,150,000	7,455,000	470,033,000
1997.....	60,300	1,013,000	36,063,000	3,200,000	6,790,000	485,941,000
1998.....	47,400	934,000	32,877,000	3,200,000	7,680,000	363,150,000
1999.....	66,200	1,258,000	41,766,000	3,200,000	7,700,000	286,440,000
2000.....	54,800	1,112,000	32,470,000	2,950,000	5,945,000	409,228,000
2001.....	41,400	840,000	30,996,000	3,200,000	7,400,000	507,230,000
2002.....	42,000	760,000	30,400,000	3,050,000	5,750,000	481,425,000
2003.....	42,400	861,000	36,420,000	3,150,000	7,600,000	407,290,000
2004.....	47,500	1,050,000	41,895,000	2,800,000	6,423,000	323,853,000
2005.....	45,300	924,000	39,824,000	2,850,000	6,945,000	337,970,000
2006.....	57,800	1,347,000	59,942,000	2,750,000	5,588,000	495,484,000
2007.....	44,300	1,041,000	42,056,000	2,650,000	6,185,000	532,455,000
2008.....	37,300	843,000	42,824,000	2,570,000	6,232,000	537,344,000
2009.....	52,600	1,294,000	70,652,000	2,700,000	6,235,000	450,565,000
2010.....	47,500	1,131,000	82,111,000	2,690,000	6,349,000	460,122,000
2011.....	51,600	1,285,000	93,163,000	2,480,000	6,624,000	634,291,000
2012.....	48,900	1,457,000	89,751,000	2,570,000	4,072,000	779,784,000
2013.....	44,200	1,313,000	-	2,500,000	4,935,000	735,630,000

\* Source: USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service.

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Year	CATTLE		SHEEP	
	Number	Value	Number	Value
1949	3,856,000	520,560,000	729,000	12,585,000
1950	3,843,000	476,532,000	558,000	10,349,000
1951	4,105,000	685,535,000	765,000	19,051,000
1952	4,575,000	841,800,000	871,000	22,229,000
1953	4,992,000	559,040,000	810,000	12,674,000
1954	4,752,000	427,680,000	788,000	10,496,000
1955	5,065,000	471,045,000	849,000	13,219,000
1956	4,759,000	390,238,000	695,000	9,391,000
1957	4,455,000	392,040,000	780,000	11,318,000
1958	4,533,000	580,224,000	759,000	13,759,000
1959	4,886,000	815,962,000	813,000	15,634,000
1960	5,072,000	664,432,000	836,000	12,653,000
1961	5,134,000	698,224,000	811,000	11,796,000
1962	5,434,000	787,930,000	723,000	9,537,000
1963	5,773,000	894,815,000	671,000	10,188,000
1964	6,048,000	792,288,000	634,000	8,791,000
1965	6,077,000	704,932,000	585,000	9,247,000
1966	6,259,000	863,742,000	577,000	11,104,000
1967	6,377,000	962,927,000	569,000	10,946,000
1968	6,394,000	952,706,000	451,000	8,665,000
1969	6,330,000	1,006,470,000	393,000	8,535,000
1970	6,330,000	1,171,050,000	377,000	9,318,000
1971	6,457,000	1,194,545,000	370,000	7,955,000
1972	6,780,000	1,457,700,000	366,000	8,601,000
1973	6,865,000	1,750,575,000	370,000	9,620,000
1974	7,410,000	2,185,950,000	290,000	9,425,000
1975	6,900,000	1,035,000,000	240,000	6,960,000
1976	6,550,000	1,244,500,000	210,000	7,245,000
1977	6,450,000	1,322,250,000	190,000	7,030,000
1978	6,500,000	1,560,000,000	237,000	11,613,000
1979	6,450,000	2,644,500,000	175,000	11,375,000
1980	6,400,000	3,168,000,000	210,000	14,595,000
1981	6,850,000	3,116,750,000	250,000	16,375,000
1982	7,250,000	2,936,250,000	225,000	12,263,000
1983	7,200,000	2,736,000,000	205,000	10,865,000
1984	6,900,000	2,760,000,000	195,000	9,750,000
1985	6,300,000	2,583,000,000	165,000	8,580,000
1986	6,000,000	2,370,000,000	160,000	9,600,000
1987	5,800,000	2,378,000,000	173,000	13,148,000
1988	5,700,000	2,907,000,000	180,000	14,940,000
1989	5,600,000	3,276,000,000	169,000	13,520,000
1990	5,700,000	3,391,500,000	177,000	12,744,000
1991	5,900,000	4,041,500,000	165,000	11,055,000
1992	5,800,000	3,654,000,000	144,000	7,344,000
1993	5,900,000	3,953,000,000	136,000	8,568,000
1994	6,150,000	4,212,750,000	95,000	6,650,000
1995	6,000,000	3,721,000,000	105,000	7,875,000
1996	6,500,000	3,250,000,000	105,000	10,080,000
1997	6,650,000	3,724,000,000	95,000	8,835,000
1998	6,750,000	4,252,000,000	100,000	10,000,000
1999	6,700,000	3,819,000,000	105,000	10,290,000
2000	6,650,000	4,455,500,000	102,000	11,220,000
2001	6,600,000	4,686,000,000	114,000	13,680,000
2002	6,400,000	4,416,000,000	101,000	10,908,000
2003	6,200,000	4,464,000,000	97,000	11,834,000
2004 <sup>2</sup>	6,200,000	5,456,000,000	102,000	13,668,000
2005	6,300,000	5,733,000,000	92,000	13,432,000
2006	6,500,000	6,370,000,000	106,000	16,112,000
2007	6,650,000	5,918,500,000	90,000	12,330,000
2008	6,450,000	6,127,500,000	80,000	10,720,000
2009	6,350,000	5,524,500,000	71,000	9,372,000
2010	6,300,000	5,355,000,000	74,000	9,842,000
2011	6,200,000	6,488,000,000	74,000	12,654,000
2012	6,450,000	7,998,000,000	77,000	17,633,000
2013	6,300,000	7,875,000,000	80,000	15,920,000

\* Source: USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service.

## Livestock Inventory in Nebraska, 1949-2013 (Cont'd.)

Year	CHICKENS		SWINE	
	Number	Value	Number	Value
1949	13,066,000	18,815,000	2,403,000	109,817,000
1950	13,552,000	16,262,000	2,499,000	79,968,000
1951	12,913,000	16,141,000	2,999,000	116,961,000
1952	12,652,000	15,815,000	3,239,000	99,437,000
1953	11,423,000	12,565,000	2,397,000	71,910,000
1954	11,810,000	15,353,000	2,061,000	94,600,000
1955	11,563,000	9,250,000	2,308,000	83,319,000
1956	11,167,000	11,725,000	2,423,000	42,402,000
1957	11,615,000	11,034,000	1,841,000	52,837,000
1958	10,896,000	12,530,000	2,080,000	71,968,000
1959	11,047,000	10,826,000	2,579,000	91,554,000
1960	10,425,000	6,985,000	2,502,000	48,038,000
1961	9,938,000	10,435,000	2,527,000	74,799,000
1962	9,224,000	7,471,000	2,704,000	78,146,000
1963	8,177,000	6,494,000	2,758,000	79,430,000
1964	7,952,000	6,759,000	2,868,000	69,979,000
1965	7,532,000	6,478,000	2,696,000	68,478,000
1966	6,719,000	6,450,000	2,561,000	123,696,000
1967	6,819,000	6,819,000	2,766,000	97,640,000
1968	6,259,000	4,569,000	3,043,000	\$87,334,000
1969	5,343,000	4,595,000	3,226,000	98,070,000
1970	4,979,000	5,228,000	3,000,000	120,600,000
1971	5,230,000	4,969,000	3,691,000	86,739,000
1972	4,812,000	4,379,000	3,322,000	97,999,000
1973	4,427,000	4,427,000	3,300,000	143,550,000
1974	4,630,000	7,408,000	3,455,000	214,210,000
1975	4,450,000	7,788,000	3,050,000	134,200,000
1976	4,250,000	7,225,000	2,700,000	230,850,000
1977	3,830,000	6,894,000	3,100,000	147,250,000
1978	4,090,000	6,953,000	3,150,000	211,050,000
1979	4,200,000	7,350,000	3,650,000	323,025,000
1980	3,930,000	7,074,000	4,150,000	251,075,000
1981	4,000,000	7,600,000	3,900,000	308,100,000
1982	4,150,000	8,093,000	4,100,000	305,450,000
1983	4,050,000	8,303,000	3,800,000	357,200,000
1984	3,850,000	7,315,000	4,000,000	256,000,000
1985	4,000,000	9,000,000	3,700,000	297,850,000
1986	3,970,000	8,933,000	3,900,000	288,600,000
1987	4,000,000	8,600,000	3,950,000	375,250,000
1988	4,450,000	10,680,000	4,050,000	315,900,000
1989	4,150,000	8,093,000	4,150,000	292,575,000
1990	5,250,000	11,550,000	4,200,000	348,600,000
1991	6,200,000	16,740,000	4,300,000	378,400,000
1992	7,900,000	16,590,000	4,500,000	310,500,000
1993	9,250,000	17,575,000	4,600,000	326,600,000
1994	9,000,000	14,400,000	4,300,000	322,500,000
1995	10,600,000	20,140,000	4,350,000	239,250,000
1996	11,005,000	20,910,000	4,050,000	287,550,000
1997	11,493,000	24,135,000	3,550,000	337,250,000
1998	12,126,000	25,465,000	3,500,000	315,000,000
1999	13,129,000	27,760,000	3,400,000	156,400,000
2000	13,864,000	25,538,000	3,000,000	219,000,000
2001	13,895,000	25,011,000	3,050,000	240,950,000
2002	13,704,000	24,667,000	2,900,000	243,600,000
2003	13,474,000	24,745,000	3,000,000	235,000,000
2004	14,223,000	25,601,000	2,900,000	205,900,000
2005	13,972,000	26,547,000	2,850,000	313,500,000
2006	13,813,000	29,007,000	2,900,000	290,000,000
2007	13,165,000	23,697,000	3,050,000	292,800,000
2008	12,257,000	29,965,000	3,350,000	261,300,000
2009	11,505,000	25,311,000	3,350,000	318,250,000
2010	11,773,000	25,901,000	3,100,000	279,000,000
2011	11,290,000	32,741,000	3,150,000	409,500,000
2012	11,325,000	33,975,000	3,000,000	375,000,000
2013	11,420,000	41,112,000	3,050,000	449,500,000

\* Source: USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service.

## Nebraska Commercial Cattle Slaughter, 2008-2013\*

### Number of Head

Month	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
January	583,600	542,400	548,400	563,600	538,700	577,100
February	541,200	497,900	514,200	530,700	518,100	479,800
March	550,600	548,700	579,200	585,100	554,300	518,800
April	610,300	547,700	573,200	528,700	507,600	562,200
May	652,300	578,700	563,200	558,500	599,100	609,200
June	633,000	600,400	620,300	618,900	586,700	578,700
July	646,200	607,200	595,800	561,700	563,300	613,800
August	605,500	563,600	589,600	621,600	623,500	598,900
September	600,600	580,900	588,100	580,900	535,800	557,300
October	614,200	609,900	585,300	593,000	611,900	635,800
November	531,000	540,000	592,700	567,200	572,100	584,800
December	543,800	548,600	588,400	555,700	520,700	552,700
Total	7,112,300	6,766,000	6,938,400	6,865,600	6,731,800	6,869,100

\* Source: USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service.

## Nebraska Commercial Hog Slaughter, 2008-2013\*

### Number of Head

Month	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
January	720,700	665,300	591,900	640,700	673,600	692,400
February	645,700	612,100	579,300	580,900	659,100	592,500
March	669,600	667,800	677,800	667,100	684,100	643,700
April	691,800	649,900	621,900	589,600	624,600	648,700
May	582,100	589,500	541,000	598,700	649,700	613,300
June	593,200	611,800	646,800	625,700	596,800	546,100
July	649,600	627,900	605,800	574,800	615,600	616,600
August	649,400	618,200	628,400	654,200	683,900	647,400
September	686,500	658,000	626,400	675,400	645,200	624,700
October	726,800	703,900	698,500	715,200	742,900	702,500
November	642,300	639,800	687,600	678,000	659,000	633,500
December	692,800	646,900	693,800	711,900	656,400	634,200
Total	7,950,500	7,691,100	7,599,200	7,712,200	7,890,800	7,595,600

\* Source: USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service.

## Nebraska Agricultural and Horticultural Land and Assessed Value,\* 1911-2013\*\*

Year	Total Acres Assessed	Assessed Value <sup>1</sup>		Year	Total Acres Assessed	Assessed Value <sup>1</sup>	
		Total	Av. Per Acre			Total	Av. Per Acre
1911	36,445,453	\$953,952,145	\$26.17	1963	-	1,311,309,620	-
1912	38,094,777	1,143,705,685	30.02	1964	-	1,323,914,363	-
1913	40,020,007	1,149,658,970	28.73	1965	-	1,470,722,492	-
1914	41,739,991	1,168,479,990	27.99	1966	-	1,680,167,588	-
1915	42,583,294	1,181,680,550	27.75	1967	-	3,669,246,614	-
1916	44,186,146	1,332,301,595	30.15	1968	44,063,435	3,881,568,864	88.00
1917	45,128,866	1,349,630,240	29.91	1969	43,694,572	5,345,141,823	122.00
1918	45,140,226	1,356,420,765	30.05	1970	46,279,247	5,427,710,974	117.00
1919	45,703,561	1,379,883,290	30.19	1971	45,120,776	5,390,417,415	119.00
1920	-	2,231,644,795	-	1972	45,734,398	5,453,562,984	119.00
1921	46,389,534	1,831,048,877	39.47	1973	43,910,816	5,539,325,951	126.00
1922	46,421,647	1,753,312,309	37.77	1974	45,384,354	5,614,403,127	124.00
1923	46,487,757	1,797,276,553	38.45	1975	46,181,535	5,614,731,876	122.00
1924	46,452,035	1,773,564,474	38.18	1976	44,681,250	5,544,959,785	124.00
1925	46,466,452	1,774,883,955	38.20	1977	44,301,898	5,746,969,817	130.00
1926	46,611,649	1,775,231,543	38.09	1978	43,580,731	6,513,965,625	149.00
1927	46,611,594	1,778,440,372	38.15	1979	45,235,603	10,575,130,059	234.00
1928	46,990,280	1,780,032,546	38.87	1980	45,411,926	12,302,690,613	271.00
1929	46,622,760	1,782,761,375	38.23	1981	45,318,422	12,420,321,626	274.00
1930	46,802,438	1,736,632,786	37.10	1982	45,332,996	12,476,187,818	275.00
1931	46,700,008	1,736,537,692	37.18	1983	45,432,091	12,563,327,936	277.00
1932	46,811,348	1,435,384,208	30.66	1984	45,349,478	12,605,580,123	278.00
1933	46,663,197	1,148,126,823	24.53	1985	45,300,858	12,653,851,842	279.00
1934	46,791,712	1,140,556,070	24.43	1986	44,997,447	10,801,719,469	240.00
1935	46,758,936	1,140,719,997	24.40	1987	44,982,531	10,048,549,082	223.00
1936	46,689,217	1,136,629,834	24.34	1988	44,977,148	10,044,095,177	223.00
1937	46,559,004	1,136,408,362	24.41	1989	44,973,179	13,509,990,165	300.00
1938	46,538,928	1,132,457,641	24.33	1990	44,968,234	14,932,726,422	332.00
1939	46,513,633	1,129,400,943	24.28	1991	44,955,365	14,941,628,961	332.00
1940	46,412,020	1,032,542,666	22.25	1992	44,952,269	15,067,165,467	335.00
1941	46,443,145	1,032,947,415	22.24	1993	44,954,824	15,632,689,146	348.00
1942	46,318,850	1,015,787,214	21.93	1994	44,938,474	15,755,958,953	351.00
1943	44,792,892	1,014,720,112	22.65	1995	44,911,156	15,927,873,795	355.00
1944	46,229,000	1,011,977,480	21.88	1996	44,904,241	16,313,358,103	363.00
1945	46,007,166	1,012,107,904	22.00	1997	44,845,860	16,950,349,716	377.00
1946	46,211,342	1,019,839,596	22.07	1998	44,861,318	18,148,208,170	405.00
1947	47,362,375	1,020,672,019	21.55	1999	44,887,776	19,423,637,757	433.00
1948	46,304,492	1,039,775,246	22.45	2000	44,830,771	20,364,989,503	454.00
1949	46,197,015	1,044,759,818	22.61	2001	46,231,558	21,206,151,632	459.00
1950	46,180,741	1,050,704,960	22.75	2002	46,136,711	21,904,383,603	475.00
1951	46,215,244	1,051,439,473	22.75	2003	46,234,805	22,878,527,654	495.00
1952	46,109,591	1,075,753,423	23.33	2004	46,191,209	23,893,955,082	517.00
1953	46,192,963	1,289,292,253	27.91	2005	46,184,758	25,247,883,070	547.00
1954	46,130,684	1,195,564,100	25.92	2006	46,146,038	27,405,855,640	594.00
1955	46,242,575	1,201,915,450	25.99	2007	46,091,863	28,247,701,115	613.00
1956	46,058,603	1,197,076,098	26.00	2008	46,078,247	31,188,979,673	677.00
1957	46,058,603	1,194,160,550	25.93	2009	46,067,703	35,015,240,244	760.00
1958	46,058,603	1,429,928,290	31.05	2010	46,053,271	39,170,246,449	850.00
1959	-	1,219,362,899	-	2011	46,041,470	43,676,096,811	949.00
1960	-	1,228,721,457	-	2012	46,034,034	49,269,767,529	1,070.00
1961	-	1,272,133,894	-	2013	46,032,974	60,557,058,156	1,315.00
1962	-	1,293,221,683	-				

\* Assessed farm land only (leased school land not included.) Values equalized by the State Board of Equalization and Assessment from 1920 to 1996; values equalized by the Tax Equalization and Review Commission since 1997. Between 1920 and 1928, there was some slight difference between the assessed and equalized value. Since 1929, the equalized value is used only as the assessed value.

\*\* Source: Nebraska Department of Revenue, Property Assessment Division.

<sup>1</sup> Up to 1920, the assessed value is 20 percent of actual value. From 1921 to 1952, the assessed value is 100 percent of actual value. From 1953 to 1955, the assessed value is 50 percent of actual value. From 1956 to 1957, the assessed value is 50 percent of base value. From 1958 to 1980, the assessed value is 35 percent of actual value. From 1981 to 1991, agricultural land is assessed at 100 percent of actual value. From 1992 to 2006, agricultural land is assessed at 80 percent of actual value. Beginning in 2007, agricultural and horticultural land is assessed at 75 percent of actual value.

# Gross Farm Marketing Cash Receipts, 1993-2012\*

## Crops

Month	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
January .....	471,114	409,123	428,838	512,007	633,307	611,655	437,823
February.....	156,019	173,271	213,317	362,027	379,330	279,701	158,642
March .....	205,571	177,862	257,768	291,033	381,143	283,956	239,204
April.....	162,963	100,930	158,592	243,276	284,192	198,752	132,600
May.....	123,967	127,253	169,191	191,860	223,192	150,549	119,472
June.....	131,747	125,316	186,859	110,245	209,438	197,417	170,830
July.....	216,786	197,042	272,485	233,625	305,890	250,718	173,016
August.....	196,258	148,658	281,776	170,581	246,539	219,680	213,361
September.....	184,267	238,703	247,039	181,311	227,757	228,529	196,422
October.....	338,054	465,221	557,775	539,584	541,982	591,937	475,691
November.....	439,892	553,436	662,504	569,215	442,888	454,335	277,413
December.....	391,936	393,864	401,314	518,684	422,923	425,662	370,242
Total.....	3,018,574	3,110,679	3,837,458	3,923,448	4,298,581	3,892,891	2,964,716

Month	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
January .....	503,687	296,120	411,202	422,451	537,893	413,519	430,836
February.....	193,247	199,793	200,881	247,066	261,309	403,185	278,280
March .....	248,501	155,214	244,756	262,177	322,278	307,980	254,769
April.....	126,247	125,455	193,052	232,915	210,246	181,982	234,025
May.....	132,805	168,982	194,645	189,238	124,553	190,435	222,383
June.....	127,164	222,535	170,975	127,728	159,827	226,413	202,247
July.....	162,113	327,896	305,715	215,867	207,054	257,216	315,191
August.....	165,257	71,950	249,706	173,071	163,576	215,965	246,660
September.....	238,478	194,193	285,442	273,673	273,274	269,463	242,179
October.....	477,784	568,758	533,900	817,534	534,325	717,568	802,807
November.....	316,651	482,237	439,812	616,498	635,563	402,562	875,589
December.....	348,381	319,472	352,216	498,724	487,005	368,674	457,425
Total.....	3,040,315	3,132,605	3,582,302	4,076,942	3,916,903	3,954,962	4,562,391

Month	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
January .....	580,385	1,037,114	1,024,110	842,764	1,774,264	1,480,654
February.....	324,077	695,917	520,373	502,659	782,645	1,147,161
March .....	412,802	629,109	735,327	557,736	734,655	1,070,522
April.....	294,234	503,797	544,629	450,700	599,505	660,746
May.....	241,197	266,443	632,670	345,967	431,362	522,017
June.....	344,031	638,867	474,236	391,613	526,044	607,816
July.....	530,059	773,634	477,730	615,015	619,924	596,415
August.....	330,225	453,377	365,661	490,814	704,164	638,731
September.....	379,727	406,461	498,789	559,236	529,656	515,701
October.....	1,097,168	958,619	1,142,341	1,291,192	2,036,523	2,013,597
November.....	934,152	923,822	1,257,168	1,451,247	1,897,416	1,938,667
December.....	991,112	914,177	1,123,659	1,330,517	1,508,500	1,502,601
Total.....	6,459,169	8,201,337	8,796,693	8,829,460	12,144,658	12,694,628

\* Source: USDA, ERS. All figures are in thousands of dollars.

## Gross Farm Marketing Cash Receipts, 1993-2012\*

### (Cont'd.)

#### Livestock and Livestock Products

Month	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
January .....	387,155	559,022	442,809	464,501	414,337	399,229	434,216
February.....	529,850	465,636	360,237	509,663	399,985	389,687	419,719
March .....	336,459	440,777	367,866	452,612	482,581	481,528	501,124
April.....	394,085	337,077	433,226	483,522	401,464	384,127	408,760
May.....	548,213	480,478	476,927	496,559	426,784	406,976	496,951
June.....	515,108	411,278	412,291	438,780	519,124	495,369	428,429
July.....	481,932	398,352	472,419	412,119	437,932	414,181	430,761
August.....	643,967	513,529	407,557	420,623	512,705	494,233	509,047
September.....	499,048	415,513	414,284	370,597	521,915	398,748	432,683
October.....	643,013	518,843	485,898	423,350	417,824	419,652	463,758
November.....	487,985	475,994	393,022	431,721	507,188	471,334	485,404
December.....	386,154	382,440	479,532	414,638	465,352	370,136	398,766
Total.....	5,852,969	5,398,939	5,146,068	5,318,685	5,507,191	5,125,200	5,409,618

Month	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
January .....	527,054	523,598	462,989	541,929	531,030	591,977	603,889
February.....	462,778	432,793	438,398	524,215	546,018	547,303	558,387
March .....	454,152	435,878	438,197	607,943	653,397	635,510	646,090
April.....	453,617	516,268	531,457	523,269	527,450	581,391	592,183
May.....	560,699	480,312	427,452	575,665	751,534	681,206	695,193
June.....	487,838	501,156	429,434	725,168	586,199	705,296	720,724
July.....	558,272	570,272	522,918	561,149	567,527	667,403	680,935
August.....	463,631	474,259	467,394	574,239	693,739	713,567	728,534
September.....	482,939	510,951	571,983	703,593	595,841	616,597	629,787
October.....	592,796	611,733	477,849	499,986	619,209	657,692	670,850
November.....	435,454	477,416	501,495	472,041	688,226	658,122	671,618
December.....	436,800	563,397	570,767	561,389	580,041	582,410	594,202
Total.....	5,916,030	6,098,033	5,840,333	6,870,586	7,340,211	7,638,474	7,792,392

Month	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
January .....	711,530	682,524	585,916	671,524	799,498	934,782
February.....	658,837	658,504	551,607	634,038	754,511	880,600
March .....	636,140	628,249	601,939	709,938	843,968	983,612
April.....	606,578	595,810	582,665	683,380	812,948	950,441
May.....	711,481	702,378	600,587	660,739	786,407	919,953
June.....	759,898	745,407	628,019	731,472	870,212	1,019,674
July.....	738,207	724,190	641,817	718,839	855,133	1,001,732
August.....	793,981	778,288	602,098	704,604	838,648	985,013
September.....	687,172	676,690	635,525	732,128	870,680	1,019,035
October.....	775,419	766,287	668,602	735,738	875,595	1,024,830
November.....	712,977	706,104	585,443	739,005	879,620	1,030,928
December.....	668,144	656,723	587,073	731,713	871,139	1,020,654
Total.....	8,460,364	8,321,154	7,271,291	8,453,118	10,058,359	11,771,254

\* Source: USDA, ERS. All figures are in thousands of dollars.

## Nebraska Irrigation Statistics, 2007-2014\*

County and District	Wells Registered to Jan. 1 2014 <sup>1</sup>	Total Acres Irrigated <sup>2</sup>	
		2007	2012
Banner.....	415	16,056	15,173
Box Butte.....	1,296	143,021	141,563
Cheyenne.....	567	51,318	48,677
Dawes.....	86	17,572	21,390
Deuel.....	307	17,853	17,382
Garden.....	396	44,854	35,725
Kimball.....	398	33,283	34,353
Morrill.....	986	144,581	128,633
Scotts Bluff.....	853	155,576	199,195
Sheridan.....	690	56,977	60,699
Sioux.....	362	51,498	39,527
NORTHWEST.....	6,356	732,589	742,317
Arthur.....	91	8,242	12,401
Blaine.....	142	13,650	6,977
Boyd.....	107	4,488	5,221
Brown.....	466	51,923	40,156
Cherry.....	578	44,734	50,879
Garfield.....	233	20,620	22,477
Grant.....	26	1,475	1,703
Holt.....	3,446	339,080	280,234
Hooker.....	32	2,995	3,124
Keya Paha.....	334	18,124	20,138
Logan.....	268	24,756	22,968
Loup.....	131	10,375	8,222
McPherson.....	116	9,675	7,113
Rock.....	716	43,586	36,290
Thomas.....	42	3,208	2,944
Wheeler.....	639	44,072	39,363
NORTH.....	7,367	641,003	560,210
Antelope.....	2,549	261,266	249,735
Boone.....	1,711	173,086	184,700
Burt.....	560	42,938	37,576
Cedar.....	1,297	112,123	139,048
Cuming.....	528	51,158	52,445
Dakota.....	152	20,414	29,301
Dixon.....	256	21,583	23,966
Knox.....	714	51,751	63,949
Madison.....	1,098	107,885	122,039
Pierce.....	1,342	128,897	130,027
Stanton.....	436	31,201	28,398
Thurston.....	140	7,813	11,915
Wayne.....	358	42,736	49,807
NORTHEAST.....	11,141	1,052,851	1,122,906
Buffalo.....	3,607	269,141	240,799
Custer.....	2,253	333,441	261,502
Dawson.....	3,657	263,867	248,463
Greeley.....	853	76,393	88,190
Hall.....	3,974	206,897	207,639
Howard.....	1,142	104,273	115,436
Sherman.....	702	72,256	71,109
Valley.....	595	99,325	93,080
CENTRAL.....	16,783	1,425,593	1,326,218

\* Sources: Nebraska Department of Natural Resources and USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service.

## Nebraska Irrigation Statistics, 2007-2014 (Cont'd.)

County and District	Wells Registered to Jan. 1 2014	Total Acres Irrigated <sup>2</sup>	
		2007	2012
Butler.....	1,413	117,973	110,839
Cass .....	52	2,959	3,513
Colfax.....	1,102	62,481	66,796
Dodge .....	1,796	116,051	117,968
Douglas.....	388	13,804	19,770
Hamilton.....	2,985	257,748	235,492
Lancaster.....	384	15,553	21,428
Merrick.....	5,055	163,806	167,430
Nance .....	1,251	69,428	63,316
Platte.....	2,137	208,388	194,037
Polk.....	1,929	164,566	151,016
Sarpy.....	157	11,844	10,385
Saunders.....	1,103	93,428	105,618
Seward.....	1,451	127,433	129,932
Washington.....	149	18,479	17,279
York.....	3,030	254,711	252,439
EAST .....	24,382	1,698,652	1,667,258
Chase.....	1,432	185,274	159,692
Dundy .....	1,047	112,676	94,837
Frontier.....	705	53,702	53,286
Hayes.....	519	65,655	57,112
Hitchcock .....	554	18,998	21,491
Keith.....	1,204	116,106	115,304
Lincoln.....	2,297	322,916	239,819
Perkins.....	940	133,393	127,855
Red Willow .....	1,010	55,075	53,127
SOUTHWEST .....	9,708	1,063,795	922,523
Adams .....	2,442	203,549	215,269
Franklin.....	1,080	87,295	85,752
Furnas .....	914	51,894	66,352
Gosper .....	765	81,402	98,765
Harlan .....	1,102	107,551	93,336
Kearney.....	2,110	216,336	194,547
Phelps.....	2,150	246,754	231,896
Webster.....	739	62,363	55,006
SOUTH .....	11,302	1,057,144	1,040,923
Clay.....	2,309	218,108	191,700
Fillmore.....	2,158	223,522	210,981
Gage.....	711	59,275	63,795
Jefferson.....	878	80,979	92,769
Johnson.....	241	11,281	14,298
Nemaha.....	146	8,439	11,402
Nuckolls.....	867	61,115	65,246
Otoe.....	67	4,150	8,412
Pawnee.....	4	4,620	7,305
Richardson .....	59	2,180	4,686
Saline.....	1,277	81,850	108,115
Thayer .....	1,662	131,413	135,509
SOUTHEAST .....	10,379	886,932	914,218
TOTAL .....	97,418	8,558,559	8,296,573

<sup>1</sup> Data from the Nebraska Department of Natural Resources.

<sup>2</sup> The USDA Census of Agriculture is conducted every five years.

## Nebraska Farm Size, 2012\*

County	Number of Farms	Acres of Farmland	Average Size of Farms in Acres	County	Number of Farms	Acres of Farmland	Average Size of Farms in Acres
Adams .....	567	340,538	601	Jefferson.....	627	352,233	562
Antelope .....	767	475,017	619	Johnson.....	587	197,632	337
Arthur .....	85	452,774	5,327	Kearney.....	344	293,608	854
Banner.....	193	422,276	2,188	Keith.....	388	541,266	1,395
Blaine.....	117	402,530	3,440	Keya Paha.....	244	465,741	1,909
Boone.....	646	434,370	672	Kimball.....	402	597,573	1,487
Box Butte.....	466	675,405	1,449	Knox.....	1,080	627,735	581
Boyd.....	266	290,987	1,094	Lancaster.....	1,836	489,023	266
Brown.....	328	725,395	2,212	Lincoln.....	1,168	1,423,398	1,219
Buffalo.....	1,046	580,579	555	Logan.....	149	330,151	2,216
Burt.....	560	309,934	553	Loup.....	138	282,989	2,051
Butler.....	840	370,086	441	Madison.....	753	351,799	467
Cass.....	731	344,869	472	McPherson.....	118	470,820	3,990
Cedar.....	939	466,473	497	Merrick.....	492	235,072	478
Chase.....	342	541,250	1,583	Morrill.....	512	799,003	1,561
Cherry.....	566	3,756,545	6,637	Nance.....	355	208,146	586
Cheyenne.....	555	702,970	1,267	Nemaha.....	451	253,340	562
Clay.....	457	330,534	723	Nuckolls.....	435	349,710	804
Colfax.....	554	257,628	465	Otoe.....	897	387,715	432
Cuming.....	918	362,926	395	Pawnee.....	540	268,815	498
Custer.....	1,352	1,503,594	1,112	Perkins.....	394	556,663	1,413
Dakota.....	243	157,976	650	Phelps.....	405	331,390	818
Dawes.....	493	824,038	1,671	Pierce.....	677	329,181	486
Dawson.....	806	630,466	782	Platte.....	942	426,329	453
Deuel.....	237	276,729	1,168	Polk.....	466	245,268	526
Dixon.....	570	298,996	525	Red Willow.....	405	419,608	1,036
Dodge.....	767	330,044	430	Richardson.....	736	319,179	434
Douglas.....	396	86,123	217	Rock.....	247	644,551	2,610
Dundy.....	251	520,849	2,075	Saline.....	756	361,904	479
Fillmore.....	472	328,386	696	Sarpy.....	396	91,718	232
Franklin.....	338	287,684	851	Saunders.....	1,204	469,462	390
Frontier.....	317	452,108	1,426	Scotts Bluff.....	966	445,217	461
Furnas.....	389	435,711	1,120	Seward.....	992	354,857	358
Gage.....	1,263	534,402	423	Sheridan.....	536	1,534,321	2,863
Garden.....	261	1,026,191	3,932	Sherman.....	414	281,176	679
Garfield.....	226	345,908	1,531	Sioux.....	354	1,224,389	3,459
Gosper.....	260	289,872	1,115	Stanton.....	619	254,418	411
Grant.....	80	493,352	6,167	Thayer.....	432	326,300	755
Greeley.....	389	338,271	870	Thomas.....	87	367,535	4,225
Hall.....	593	329,668	556	Thurston.....	367	247,605	675
Hamilton.....	572	304,395	532	Valley.....	402	349,404	869
Harlan.....	360	312,759	869	Washington.....	821	248,088	302
Hayes.....	235	385,168	1,639	Wayne.....	518	279,951	540
Hitchcock.....	299	399,247	1,335	Webster.....	423	302,253	715
Holt.....	1,279	1,414,445	1,106	Wheeler.....	198	357,134	1,804
Hooker.....	82	436,820	5,327	York.....	541	339,591	628
Howard.....	682	312,234	458	State Totals.....	49,969	45,331,783	907

\* Source: USDA 2012 Census of Agriculture, which is conducted every five years.

## Nebraska Farm Financial and Real Estate Statistics, 1990-2012\*

Year	Number of Farms	NET INCOME		GOVT. PAYMENTS		REAL ESTATE
		Total <sup>1</sup>	Per Farm Dollars	Total <sup>1</sup>	Per Farm Dollars	Value/ Acre
1990.....	57,000	2,510	44,027	625	10,959	524
1991.....	56,000	2,274	40,611	491	8,762	517
1992.....	56,000	2,511	44,830	479	8,549	517
1993.....	56,000	2,009	35,866	806	14,398	514
1994.....	56,000	2,243	40,051	348	6,219	550
1995.....	56,000	1,662	29,671	507	9,059	580
1996.....	56,000	3,467	61,902	389	6,942	610
1997.....	55,000	2,023	36,783	455	8,265	620
1998.....	55,000	1,816	33,011	815	14,813	645
1999.....	54,000	1,707	31,609	1,412	26,146	675
2000.....	52,000	1,453	27,944	1,408	27,072	710
2001.....	50,000	1,914	38,283	1,298	25,964	735
2002.....	49,400	867	17,543	539	10,917	760
2003.....	48,500	2,758	56,866	726	14,966	775
2004.....	48,300	3,583	74,182	729	15,092	810
2005.....	48,000	2,971	61,896	1,421	29,604	910
2006.....	47,600	2,007	42,164	812	17,062	1,030
2007.....	47,700	2,944	61,719	464	9,722	1,140
2008.....	48,200	3,993	82,842	519	10,939	1,330
2009.....	48,600	3,156	64,938	419	- <sup>2</sup>	1,320
2010.....	49,500	3,862	81,305	509	- <sup>2</sup>	1,470
2011.....	49,700	7,419	149,276	470	- <sup>2</sup>	1,840
2012.....	50,000	5,952	119,040	480	- <sup>2</sup>	2,420

\*Source: USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service, ERS

<sup>1</sup> Amount in hundreds of thousands of dollars

<sup>2</sup> Not available

## State Athletic Commissioner

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**Acting State Athletic Commissioner:** Aaron Hendry

**Deputy Athletic Commissioner:** Brian Dunn

**Statutory Reference:** 81-8,128

The Office of the State Athletic Commissioner is under the general supervision of the Lottery and Charitable Gaming Division of the Nebraska Department of Revenue.<sup>5</sup>

The commissioner, appointed by the governor for a two-year term, has sole jurisdiction and control over amateur and professional mixed martial arts, professional wrestling, professional boxing and sparring matches and exhibitions held within the state. Exceptions are events held by universities, colleges, high schools, military branches and events held by recognized amateur associations for contestants under the age of 16. The commissioner licenses contestants, promoters, managers, seconds, ringside physicians, judges and referees; promulgates rules and regulations governing bouts; controls and supervises ticket sales and the issuing of complimentary tickets; revokes licenses and issues suspensions when necessary; and controls the number of mixed martial arts, wrestling, boxing and sparring matches or exhibitions held in Nebraska. The commissioner and deputy commissioner are assisted by seven inspectors in carrying out the duties of the office.

## Department of Banking and Finance

**Office Address:** 1526 K St., Suite 300, P.O. Box 95006 Lincoln, NE 68509-5006, phone (402) 471-2171, website — [www.ndbf.ne.gov](http://www.ndbf.ne.gov)

**Director:** Mark Quandahl

**Statutory Reference:** 81-101

**Publications:** Annual report, rules, policy statements, interpretative opinions, statutes governing: state-chartered banks, savings and loans, building and loan associations, trust companies, credit unions, licensed lenders, delayed deposit services companies, securities, loan brokers, mortgage bankers and rental purchase agreements. All publications are available on the department's website.

The department began as the State Banking Board in 1895. In 1919, the board's duties were transferred to the Bureau of Banking in the Department of Trade and Commerce. In that same year, regulation of securities was transferred from the Railway Commission to the Department of Trade and Commerce and operated as the Bureau of Securities.

The Department of Banking was made a separate agency in 1933. In 1939, securities enforcement was transferred to the department and, in 1976, the Legislature changed the agency's name to the Department of Banking and Finance. The department is entirely cash funded through assessments and fees collected from the industries it supervises.

The Department of Banking and Finance:

- charters banks, trust companies, savings and loan/building and loan associations

<sup>5</sup>For more information about the Lottery and Charitable Gaming Division, see Page 565.

and credit unions

- licenses installment loan, sales finance, delayed deposit services, funds transmission, mortgage banking, broker-dealer and investment adviser firms
- grants individual licenses to bank executive officers, credit union loan officers, mortgage loan originators, securities agents and investment adviser representatives
- registers the sale of stock and other securities
- administers, enforces and investigates suspected violations of the following Nebraska laws: the Banking Act, Trust Company Act, Bank Holding Company Act, Credit Union Act, Money Transmitters Act, Securities Act, Commodity Code, Installment Sales Act, Installment Loan Act, Loan Broker Act, Delayed Deposit Services Licensing Act, Residential Mortgage Licensing Act, Consumer Rental Purchase Agreement Act and the Seller-Assisted Marketing Plan Act

## Department of Correctional Services

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**Director:** Scott R. Frakes

**Statutory References:** 81-101 and 83-171

The 1973 Legislature created the Department of Correctional Services. It had been a division within the Department of Public Institutions.

The governor appoints the department director. The department's operating funds come from state general funds, supplemented by federal funds and certain cash funds.

The mission of the department is to serve and protect the public by providing control, humane care and program opportunities for those individuals placed in its custody and supervision, thereby facilitating their return to society as responsible persons.

Prior to Jan. 1, 1997, the department had an Office of Juvenile Services, which had oversight over programs and facilities for juvenile offenders. The Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services now oversees programs and functions of the Office of Juvenile Services.

Sections within the director's office are:

- **Legal Services.** This section gives the department legal advice on various issues, including legislation and inmate rules, and represents the department in administrative proceedings.
- **Health Services.** This section provides healthcare services via professionally staffed and licensed infirmaries and outpatient clinics. Contractual arrangements with local hospitals and specialized medical professionals supplement institutional services. This section also provides mental health, substance abuse and psychiatric treatment.
- **Planning/Research Accreditation.** This section researches; gathers information; makes plans and assists management; evaluates the correctional system and coordinates the department's accreditation process; coordinates department policy, public information; manages federal grants; coordinates the department's inmate drug testing and drug intelligence programs; and conducts research and major requests for information.
- **Cornhusker State Industries/Federal Surplus Property.** This section manages the

correctional industries program for producing goods and services for state government agencies. This section screens, transfers, administers, markets and places federal surplus property with eligible public and nonprofit organizations in the state.

- **Organizational Development.** This section coordinates the department's Continuous Quality Initiative. This section also supervises the Staff Training Academy, a central training academy for employees.

- **Legislative Coordinator/PIO.** This section serves as a point of contact between the Department of Correctional Services and the Governor's Policy Research Office and the Legislature. The section also is tasked with coordinating all aspects of the legislative process within the agency and providing public information.

### *Administrative Services*

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**Statutory Reference:** 83-922

Sections within Administrative Services include:

- **Budget.** This section plans, organizes and monitors the department's fiscal allocations and fiscal reporting systems. Fiscal and accounting data are compiled to use in budget evaluation and adjustment, cost analysis and budget projections.

- **Engineering.** This section plans, supervises and engineers new or remodeled facilities and gives the department advice and assistance on preventative maintenance.

- **Fiscal Management.** This section coordinates the agency's accounting functions, including payments and investment of surplus funds. It is the clearing center for all transfer appropriations, expenditure documents, and grant award monitoring and reporting, and it also is responsible for inmate trust fund activities, including receipt and disbursement of individual inmate funds, payroll and savings accounts. This section also supervises the administration of grants, including coordinating and managing all aspects of the department's grant activities from federal, state and other funding sources to support worthy and qualifying projects; providing technical assistance to agency staff on all grant activities including preparation, application, monitoring and reporting; and reviewing and responding to all sub grantee applications and inquiries as well as conducting program audits.

- **Human Resources and Development.** This section oversees and manages employee recruitment, retention, competitive compensation and benefits, employee training and development, quality improvement, personal mastery, organization effectiveness, leadership development and employee communication.

- **Information Systems.** This section provides department-wide help regarding data management, technical expertise and information retrieval.

- **Purchasing/Inventory/Food Service.** This section coordinates the department's purchasing and inventory operations. This section also manages the purchase and inventory control of food items, food equipment and commodities, including the provision of contractual technical assistance with licensed dieticians.

• Safety/Sanitation/ADA. This section conducts inspections and provides assistance in the correction of safety hazards and sanitation needs and provides technical advice, develops policy and processes requests for accommodations from employees, inmates and the public, providing technical assistance and training.

*Programs and Community Services*

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**Statutory Reference:** 83-922

The Division of Programs and Community Service is responsible for:

• Inmate Classification. The division assigns inmates to the appropriate degree of incarceration, moves them through the system in a timely manner and identifies and resolves their needs through programming.

• Records. The division provides technical assistance for record management and serves as the depository for discharged records.

• Interstate Corrections Compact.<sup>6</sup> The division provides for the transfer of Nebraska inmates to other states and inmates from other states to Nebraska.

• Inmate Programs. The division develops and oversees volunteer services, education, libraries, recreation and religion on a department-wide basis to ensure consistency.

• Community Programs/Services. The division oversees the Community Corrections Centers, the Work Ethic Camp and Adult Parole Administration.

• Special Services Unit. This section is responsible for central detainer administration, issuance of escape and absconder warrants, administrative process of formal governor’s warrants and requisitions, management of the Inmate Telephone System, inmate transportation, central office key and lock control, teletype operations, radio communications coordination and law enforcement liaison.

**Adult Parole Administration**

**Contact Person:** Cathy Gibson-Beltz, Parole Administrator, Folsom and West Prospector Place, Building 1, P.O. Box 94661, Lincoln, NE 68509-4661, phone (402) 479-5771, fax (402) 479-5804

**Statutory References:** 83-1,100 and 83-933

Adult Parole Administration is responsible for providing statewide parole services in the community for inmates paroled from Nebraska’s adult correctional institutions as well as those individuals designated Lifetime Supervision Sex Offenders. It also is responsible for those inmates from other states who have been transferred to Nebraska under the Interstate Compact for Adult Offender Supervision. Adult Parole Administration helps paroled inmates live their lives within the limits set by the community while providing supervision and assistance to enable the parolee to become a productive and law-abiding citizen.

Average monthly population (fiscal year 2014).....1,279

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<sup>6</sup>For more information about the Interstate Corrections Compact, see Page 740.

**Work Ethic Camp-McCook**

**Contact Person:** Pamela Morello, Warden, Work Ethic Camp-McCook, 2309 N. Highway 83, McCook, NE 69001, phone (308) 345-8405, fax (308) 345-8407

The Work Ethic Camp opened April 30, 2001. The camp is designed for nonviolent, prison-bound male and female felony offenders eligible for intensive supervision probation, and male and female inmates pending parole. Offenders/inmates are sent to the Work Ethic Camp for a period not to exceed 180 days. The facility provides an evidence-based program targeting offender/inmate risks and needs. The program includes short term residential treatment, education, cognitive restructuring, life skills and job preparation. Facility work crews provide community service labor to local government and non-profit agencies. Design capacity is 100.

Average monthly population (fiscal year 2014).....173

*Adult Institutions*

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**Statutory Reference:** 83-922

**Community Corrections Center-Lincoln**

**Contact Person:** Richard Cruickshank, Warden, Community Corrections Center-Lincoln, 2720 W. Van Dorn St., Lincoln, NE 68542-2200, phone (402) 471-0740, fax (402) 471-6268

Nebraska’s community-based programming for inmates, created by the 1967 Legislature, allowed a select group of inmates to be employed in the community or attend an educational program not available within the confines of the institution. Initial participants were housed in the institution during nonwork/school hours. In 1993, a new facility opened, close to the Lincoln Correctional Center, housing both male and female community-custody inmates. Work release, education release and community detail assignment opportunities are available to those inmates who are nearing release on parole or discharge from sentence. Community leave privileges in the form of passes and furloughs may be earned. Design capacity is 200 inmates.

Average monthly population (fiscal year 2014).....366

**Community Corrections Center-Omaha**

**Contact Person:** Charles West, Warden, Community Corrections Center-Omaha, 2320 Ave. J, Omaha, NE 68110-0099, phone (402) 595-2010, fax (402) 595-3701

The Community Corrections Center-Omaha has operated out of various Omaha locations since 1971. The program moved into a new facility in 1985. Located one block north of the Omaha Correctional Center, it provides work and educational release opportunities for those male and female inmates who have achieved community-custody status. Community detail assignment is available for other eligible inmates. Leave privileges in the form of passes and furloughs may be earned. Design capacity is 90 inmates.

Average monthly population (fiscal year 2014).....157

**Diagnostic and Evaluation Center**

**Contact Person:** Fred Britten, Warden, Diagnostic and Evaluation Center, 3220 W. Van Dorn St., Lincoln, NE 68522-9278, phone (402) 471-3330, fax (402) 479-6368

The Diagnostic and Evaluation Center opened in July 1979. Designated as a maximum security institution, it houses newly sentenced male inmates awaiting classification. Processing, testing, assessing and assignment functions are carried out at this facility, as well as selected psychiatric and medical services for other male facilities. Design capacity is 160 inmates.

Average monthly population (fiscal year 2014).....433

**Interpretation/Translation Services**

**Contact Person:** Matthew Heckman, Interpreter Supervisor, Lincoln Correctional Center, 3216 W. Van Dorn St., Lincoln, NE 68542-2800, phone (402) 471-2861

This section provides oral and written interpretation and translation services to inmates, inmate families and the community.

**Lincoln Correctional Center**

**Contact Person:** Mario Peart, Warden, Lincoln Correctional Center, 3216 W. Van Dorn St., Lincoln, NE 68542-2800, phone (402) 471-2861, fax (402) 479-6100

The Lincoln Correctional Center opened in 1979 and houses male inmates classified as maximum and medium custody. The facility includes general population units as well as in-patient mental health and sex offender program units. Institutional employment opportunities are available to the inmate population as are educational programming and organized recreational and leisure time activities. Design capacity is 308 inmates.

Average monthly population (fiscal year 2014).....496

**Nebraska Correctional Center for Women**

**Contact Person:** Denise Skrobecki, Warden, Nebraska Correctional Center for Women, 1107 Recharge Road, York, NE 68467-8003, phone (402) 362-3317, fax (402) 362-3892

The Nebraska Correctional Center for Women is a maximum-, medium- and minimum-security prison for women that also provides evaluation services to the state's district courts for convicted female felons before sentencing. The facility provides a nursery as well as parenting, mental health, substance abuse treatment, education, recreation and religious programs. Work opportunities include employment in correctional industries, specifically making curtains and sewing, and institutional support such as food service, maintenance and janitorial. Design capacity is 275 inmates.

Average monthly population (fiscal year 2014).....291

**Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility**

**Contact Person:** Ryan Mahr, Warden, Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility, 2610 N. 20th St. E., Omaha, NE 68110, phone (402) 595-2000, fax (402) 997-7477

The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility opened in 1998 and is a maximum-, medium- and minimum-security prison. Designed to house young inmates who have

been adjudicated as adults, the facility accepts the youngest inmates committed to the Department of Correctional Services and has the ability to house them until they reach 21 years and 10 months of age. The facility’s mission is focused on intensive programming. All inmates have work assignments. Design capacity is 68 inmates.

Average monthly population (fiscal year 2014).....70

**Nebraska State Penitentiary**

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The Nebraska State Penitentiary houses male inmates classified as maximum, medium and minimum custody. The facility includes two minimum-security dormitories and houses the Residential Treatment Community. Correctional Industries workshops provide rehabilitation through employment and work skills training for inmates. Education services are provided for inmates. The facility design capacity is 718.

Average monthly population (fiscal year 2014).....1,309

**Omaha Correctional Center**

**Contact Person:** Barbara Lewien, Warden, Omaha Correctional Center, 2323 Ave. J, Omaha, NE 68111-0099, phone (402) 595-3964, fax (402) 595-2227

The Omaha Correctional Center, established by the 1975 Legislature, is a correctional facility for medium- and minimum-security male inmates. It opened in 1984 on a 37-acre site located in east Omaha. The center provides educational, out-patient sex offender and residential substance abuse programs as well as recreational opportunities and institutional employment for inmates, including vocations such as sewing and furniture building. With an additional housing unit added in 1994, the center’s design capacity is 396.

Average monthly population (fiscal year 2014).....747

**Tecumseh State Correctional Institution**

**Contact Person:** Brian Gage, Warden, Tecumseh State Correctional Institution, 2725 N. Highway 50, Tecumseh, NE 68450, phone (402) 335-5998, fax (402) 335-5115

After approval by the 1997 Nebraska Legislature, construction commenced in early 1999 for an institution designed to house maximum, medium, death row and intensive management male inmates. The institution began receiving inmates in December 2001. The institution has a design capacity of 960.

Average monthly population (fiscal year 2014).....1,000

**Department of Economic Development**

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**Director:** Brenda Hicks-Sorensen

**Deputy Director of Operations:** Lara Huskey

**Statutory References:** 81-101 and 81-1201.02

**Publications:** *Nebraska Development News*, published online 10-12 times a year. Most publications and forms are available on the department's website.

### *Business Development Division*

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**Statutory Reference:** 81-1201.07

The Business Development Division's ultimate goal is to expand job opportunities in Nebraska by attracting new business and industry, while encouraging expansion of existing industry. The division helps Nebraska communities seek new business and industry through national and international advertising, direct mail, personal calls to prospective industries and participation in trade shows of targeted industries and special events.

Promotional literature stresses the advantages of locating and expanding new businesses and industries in Nebraska. These advantages include performance-based tax incentives, the state's central location, a productive work force, reliable transportation, a generally positive business climate and low-cost, abundant energy.

Existing business assistance provides direct services, including human resource development, business financing, help in enhancing productivity, market diversification and export assistance. It also serves as a clearinghouse for referrals to other sources, such as the Nebraska Business Development Centers and the Nebraska Manufacturing Extension Partnership.

Staff coordinate labor training with industrial location and expansion through advertising, screening assessment, referral, pre-employment, on-the-job training and post-employment training for hourly employees.

Business finance consultants identify and structure financial resources to meet the needs of new and expanding businesses.

The division's One-Stop Business Assistance Center improves businesses' access to state government and reduces government's response time to business needs. The center provides information on regulations, licenses, state and federal requirements, economic development programs and assistance with marketing, business and financing research.

### *Community and Rural Development Division*

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**Statutory Reference:** 81-1201.07

The Community and Rural Development Division helps communities build development capacity and provides programs and services for housing and community development.

The division has financial and technical assistance for community and economic

development. Financial resources come from the Community Development Block Grant Program, the HOME Investment Partnerships Program, the Nebraska Affordable Housing Trust Fund and the Nebraska Microenterprise Development Program.

Community Development Block Grant awards are made to communities for economic development and community development activities. Community development grants spur local economic development by funding projects that maintain or expand needed public facilities and adequate housing. They also expand the state’s economic base by helping businesses bring new income into — and prevent income from leaving — the state.

The HOME funds provide another source for community and economic development. Through the Technical Assistance Review Team, which is composed of private and public housing partners, communities in need of affordable housing may apply for funds and receive valuable technical assistance and funding for their projects.

The Nebraska Affordable Housing Trust Fund serves as a source of affordable housing funding for the state.

The division’s efforts in community betterment include the Community Development Assistance Act, which empowers the department to distribute a 40 percent state tax credit to businesses, corporations, insurance firms or financial institutions that make eligible contributions of cash, services or materials to approved community betterment projects.

The Housing and Community Development Consolidated Plan, which is the comprehensive plan that identifies the state’s needs in housing, homelessness, and community and economic development, is developed every five years. The Consolidated Plan is revised and reviewed annually in the Annual Performance Report. Both are available from the department.

The division also manages the Nebraska Commission on Housing and Homelessness. The commission is committed to developing housing and policies that foster the creation and preservation of affordable housing for all Nebraskans.

### **Nebraska Commission on Housing and Homelessness**

**Contact Person:** Bob Doty, Housing Program Manager, Community and Rural Development Division, 301 Centennial Mall South, Fourth Floor, P.O. Box 94666, Lincoln, NE 68509-4666, phone (402) 471-2095, toll-free phone (800) 426-6505, fax (402) 471-3778, email address — bob.doty@nebraska.gov

The Nebraska Commission on Housing and Homelessness was established in 1998. Its purposes are to develop ongoing, specific affordable housing and homelessness policies; make recommendations to the governor on policies, plans and courses of action; and monitor implementation of the recommendations.

NCHH has 15 members appointed by the governor from private and nonprofit sectors, including planners, service providers, low-income advocacy groups, developers, bankers, builders and housing manufacturers. The Department of Economic Development provides staff support. No state funds support NCHH activities.

**Member**

**Affiliation**

Charles Coley, Lincoln.....Metro Area Continuum of Care for the Homeless  
 Melissa DeLaet, Grand Island.....Hope Harbor, Inc.

Ryan Durant, Omaha .....	Omaha Housing Authority
Lee Ann Heflebower, Lincoln.....	Community Action, Lancaster and Saunders Counties
Ardith M. Hoins, Davenport.....	Blue Valley Community Action
Deb Jensen, Elwood.....	Dawson Area Development
Thomas G. Judds, Ashland.....	City Impact
James E. Kozal, Scottsbluff .....	Platte Valley Bank
Steve Kunzman, Grand Island.....	Home Federal Bank
Kathryn Mesner, Central City .....	Mesner Development
Roger D. Nadrchal, Norfolk.....	Neighbor Works Northeast Nebraska
Judy Pederson, North Platte.....	Pro Printing
Erin Porterfield, Omaha .....	Heartland Workforce Solutions
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**Local Option Municipal Economic Development Act**

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The department provides assistance to communities that want to implement the Local Option Municipal Economic Development Act (LB840), the mechanism by which cities and villages can spend local tax dollars on local economic development programs.

*International Division*

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The International Division coordinates with other state agencies and with the governor’s office to arrange foreign marketing and investment opportunities for Nebraska business and industry.

The office’s Export Program promotes the export of Nebraska products to international markets through counseling, training and referrals to local export services. The Department of Economic Development also offers exposure to international markets and export finance programs for small business through international trade shows and governor-led trade missions abroad.

**Nebraska Film Office**

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The Nebraska Film Office promotes Nebraska to producers of feature films, independent films, made-for-television movies, documentaries, commercials and other film-related activities. The Film Office also publishes a production guide listing services available for filmmaking in Nebraska, provides scouting services for potential projects and serves as a liaison between state agencies and local governments during filming projects.

## Nebraska Energy Office

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**Director:** David L. Bracht

**Statutory Reference:** 81-1601

The office was originally created by executive order in November 1973 as the Fuel Allocation Office within the Department of Revenue. From 1977 to 1987, the Energy Office operated as a separate code agency with a stipulation in its authorizing legislation that the office could be moved into another agency by executive order. In 1987, the Energy Office became a division of the Policy Research Office by executive order. In 1991, both the Energy Office and the Policy Research Office became divisions of the Governor's Office. On July 1, 2008, the governor elevated the Energy Office to a cabinet level code agency and appointed its director.

The vision of the Nebraska Energy Office is to provide leadership that maximizes the benefits of energy efficiency and renewable energy through communication, outreach, technology and partnerships.

The mission of the office is to promote the efficient, economic and environmentally responsible use of energy. The Energy Office accomplishes this mission by administering innovative programs and implementing projects and services that inform, educate and involve energy consumers and decision makers. The Energy Office also collects essential statistical energy data and is the state's lead agency responsible for developing response recommendations during energy related emergencies.

The Energy Office:

- serves as a central repository for energy data relevant to the state
- assesses trends in the availability, use and development of all energy forms
- collects and analyzes data relating to energy needs and specifies these needs for the state
- recommends state energy policies and efficiency measures to the governor and the Legislature and carries out adopted measures
- provides the public with information on energy sources, use and conservation
- accepts and dispenses public and private funds for research studies, demonstration projects and other energy efficiency or development activities
- studies the impact and relationship of state energy policies to those on the regional and national level
- actively seeks Nebraskans' advice on energy policies and programs
- prepares emergency energy allocation plans and makes suggestions to the governor if a serious energy shortage takes place
- designs a state energy conservation program and provides technical assistance to local governments and citizens who seek information on energy efficiency opportunities and the use of renewable energy technologies

The Energy Office administers the federally funded Low Income Weatherization Assistance Program and the State Energy Program as well as other energy efficiency, conservation and renewable energy initiatives. The office also administers and enforces

the Nebraska Energy Code.

The Energy Office administers the state's Petroleum Violation Escrow funds, also known as oil overcharge funds. These funds were received as a result of federal pricing regulation violations by crude oil producers. States were required to provide restitutionary programs with these funds. Nebraska's largest restitution program is the Dollar and Energy Savings Loan Program administered by the Energy Office. This energy efficiency program partners with the state's lending institutions to provide low interest rate loans to residents for energy improvements to their homes, businesses, farms, ranches and nonprofit organizations. Funds also are available for renewable energy and alternate fuel projects throughout the state. Loans are available at more than 898 locations throughout the state and total more than \$306 million.

## Department of Environmental Quality

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**Acting Director:** Patrick Rice

**Statutory Reference:** 81-1502

The Department of Environmental Control was created in 1971 by the Nebraska Environmental Protection Act. Legislation passed in 1992 changed the agency's name to the Department of Environmental Quality. The department administers the rules, regulations and standards adopted to protect and improve water, air, and land quality in the state. The department also provides services to towns, industries and citizens through several assistance programs, meetings, training, and conferences.

The Environmental Protection Act also established the Environmental Control Council, now known as the Environmental Quality Council. The department director is appointed by the governor upon recommendation of the council and with the Legislature's consent. The director serves as secretary of the council. The department operates with state general funds, cash funds and federal funds.

### *Air Quality Division*

Air Quality Division objectives are to achieve and maintain the national and state ambient air quality standards, protect the quality of the air in areas of the state that have air cleaner than the standards, and to implement air quality rules and regulations. The division devotes extensive resources towards compliance assistance and outreach activities through its Planning and Development Program.

### **Permitting Programs**

The department has implemented a construction permit program for air contaminant sources since the 1970s. Facilities are required to obtain a construction permit before they construct, reconstruct, or modify any air contaminant source or emission unit where there is a net increase in the potential to emit contaminants above specified levels. The department also implements the federal construction permit program

known as Prevention of Significant Deterioration. This program applies to sources that emit significant levels of air contaminants and requires the application of best available control technology.

Once constructed and operational, most facilities also must obtain an operating permit. Operating permits are issued to both large and small sources of air pollution and are renewed every five years. Operating permits include all previously issued construction conditions and federal and state performance standards.

### **Compliance Programs**

The department operates an air quality monitoring network to determine compliance with national and state air quality standards. Two agencies assist the department with the day-to-day operation of the network: the Douglas County Health Department, and the Lincoln/Lancaster County Health Department. Monitoring is conducted for the following pollutants: particulate matter, sulfur dioxide, nitrogen dioxide, carbon monoxide, ozone, lead, and total reduced sulfur.

The department conducts compliance inspections of air pollution sources, responds to citizen complaints, and observes and evaluates air contaminant emission tests. The department attempts to obtain compliance with regulations through voluntary efforts, but pursues legal enforcement actions when the issues are serious, chronic, or cannot otherwise be resolved.

### *Field Services and Assistance Division*

This division provides a central source of technical information for the public, businesses and industries affected by environmental regulations. The division conducts inspections, provides compliance assistance, maintains monitoring programs and manages specific projects across the state.

The division maintains field offices in Omaha, Norfolk, Holdrege, North Platte, Chadron and Scottsbluff. Field office staff are responsible for conducting compliance inspections, complaint investigations, environmental sampling, project management and providing local compliance assistance for the agency's air quality, water quality and waste management divisions.

The Small Business and Public Assistance Program assists individuals, businesses and industries in complying with air quality, waste management and water quality regulations. The Small Business Compliance Advisory Panel (statutory reference: 81-1505.03) helps businesses comply with requirements of the federal Clean Air Act.

The One-Stop Permit Assistance program serves as a clearinghouse for information related to the department's various permitting processes and Title III — the Community Right-to-Know program — assists businesses subject to the state and federal Community Right-to-Know acts.

The department's Emergency Response Coordinator also is located in this division. Through the Emergency Response Program, department personnel provide technical and regulatory assistance to those responsible for spills, leaks and accidents that pose a hazard to either the environment or public health.

### *Legal Services Division*

This division provides legal support to the director and the agency. Among its responsibilities are preparing legal opinions interpreting laws and regulations, advising the director and agency staff on duties and program responsibilities, and preparing administrative orders and other enforcement actions. The division also assists the Attorney General's office by providing legal expertise in environmental law and participating in court cases.

### *Management Services Division*

This division provides administrative and technical support to department programs. The division is organized into the following areas of support: grants/contracts coordination, public information, human resources, fiscal services, and information technology. This division also includes the department's records management program, which is responsible for managing the agency's public records.

### *Waste Management Division*

To protect Nebraska's land and water resources, Waste Management Division programs ensure that non-hazardous wastes are properly disposed, hazardous waste is managed from creation to disposal, and contaminated sites are investigated and cleaned up according to state and federal standards. The department also administers several waste-related grant programs.

### **Solid Waste Program**

The Solid Waste Program is responsible for permitting and inspecting solid waste disposal areas (municipal landfills, construction and demolition disposal sites, delisted waste disposal areas, fossil fuel ash disposal areas, industrial waste disposal areas) and waste processing facilities (compost sites, material recovery (recycling) facilities, and transfer stations).

### **Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) Program**

The RCRA program ensures that hazardous waste is properly managed from the point of generation until final disposal. Among this program's duties are: performing compliance inspections at facilities that generate hazardous waste; reviewing permit applications for treatment, storage and disposal facilities; approving closure and post-closure plans for hazardous waste storage areas and disposal sites; and investigating complaints. The RCRA program also helps hazardous waste generators maintain compliance with regulations through a Compliance Assistance Program.

### **Superfund Program**

This program administers cooperative agreements with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) regarding the federal Superfund program that was established to clean up the most seriously contaminated sites in the nation. The DEQ Superfund Program helps in the identification of potential Superfund sites and assists the EPA with ongoing work at the 15 National Priority List sites in Nebraska.

### **Voluntary Cleanup Program**

This program provides property owners and parties responsible for contamination with a mechanism to develop voluntary cleanup plans that are reviewed and approved by the department. The program provides an avenue for businesses to proceed with cleanup of property and an opportunity for review and oversight that may not be available at the federal level.

#### **Planning and Aid**

The Waste Management Planning and Aid Unit administers the following programs:

**Waste Reduction and Recycling Incentive Grants Program** (to assist in financing sound integrated waste management programs and projects);

**Litter Reduction and Recycling Grant Program** (to support programs that reduce litter, provide education, and promote recycling);

**Illegal Dumpsite Cleanup Program** (to assist political subdivisions in the cleanup of solid waste disposed along public roadways or ditches); and

**Landfill Disposal Fee Rebate Program** (to provide an incentive to political subdivisions to support and encourage the purchase of products, materials, or supplies manufactured or produced from recycled material).

### *Water Quality Division*

To protect Nebraska's surface water and groundwater resources, Water Quality Division programs ensure that petroleum leak and spill sites are investigated and cleaned up if necessary, livestock waste is properly managed and discharges of pollutants into streams and rivers do not exceed levels intended to protect aquatic life. The division conducts surface water monitoring, administers groundwater protection programs and issues permits for wastewater treatment facilities and sanitary sewer systems.

### **Petroleum Remediation Program**

The Petroleum Remediation Program oversees the investigation and cleanup of petroleum contamination resulting from leaking underground and above ground storage tanks and surface spills. The program also administers the Petroleum Release Remedial Action Reimbursement Fund (Title 200), a cleanup assistance fund for persons responsible for cleanup costs due to petroleum releases from tanks.

### **Agriculture Section**

The Livestock Waste Control Program strives to protect Nebraska's surface water and groundwater from contamination by livestock waste by conducting inspections and issuing permits. The program requires many livestock operations to construct livestock waste control facilities. Owners must submit plans and specifications and obtain approval prior to construction and operation of the facilities. Some operations are required to monitor groundwater near their facilities. The Agriculture Section also administers the Chemigation and Agricultural Chemical Secondary Containment programs.

### **Surface Water and Groundwater Assessment Programs**

Surface water monitoring program staff collect physical, chemical and biological water quality samples from streams, lakes and wetlands throughout the state to identify and help remediate water quality problems. Fish tissue samples are collected annually for analysis of toxic pollutants; health advisories are issued if necessary. The program also investigates fish kills and citizen complaints and, since 2004, has monitored over 30 lakes and beaches for the presence of toxic algae.

Groundwater unit assessment programs focus on assessing the quality of the state's groundwater resources and protecting those resources through project reviews, permitting, and voluntary programs. The Groundwater Management Area program focuses on assessing areas where groundwater problems from nonpoint source contaminants exist or are likely to exist. The unit conducts hydrogeologic studies and reviews, reviews and issues permits for wells used to inject fluids underground and administers the state Wellhead Protection program.

### **Water Quality Planning**

Water Quality Planning program staff conduct a variety of planning, assessment, certification and grant activities. This unit develops water quality standards that designate the beneficial uses to be made of surface waters and the criteria to protect these uses; administers the Section 401 certification program to determine if applications for federal permits and licenses involving a discharge comply with state water quality standards; develops Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs) that include pollution control goals and strategies necessary to improve the quality of impaired surface waters; administers the Nonpoint Source Management Program to protect and improve the quality of water bodies impacted by nonpoint source pollution (grants are provided for eligible projects); and administers the Source Water Assessment Program to assist in protecting public drinking water supplies and systems.

### **Wastewater**

The department's Wastewater Section provides a variety of programs all related to wastewater treatment systems and their associated discharges. The Engineering Management program reviews planning documents and issues construction permits for wastewater treatment facilities and sanitary sewer lines. The program also provides assistance and training for wastewater facility operators.

The On-Site Wastewater program focuses on protecting surface and ground water in the area of proposed on-site systems (septic systems and small lagoons) through the certification of on-site professionals and the review of subdivision development plans.

The Wastewater Section administers two permitting programs that regulate dischargers of water pollutants: the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES), and the Nebraska Pretreatment Program. NPDES permits issued to municipalities and industries place limits on the pollutants that can be discharged into Nebraska's rivers and streams. This program also issues permits that limit the discharge of pollutants in storm water from industrial, municipal and construction sites. Pretreatment Program permits protect municipal wastewater systems from damage or overloading by industries.

### Financial Assistance

The agency administers the distribution of state and federal assistance through two community aid programs: the Clean Water State Revolving Loan Fund, which provides low-interest loans and small town matching grants for construction of public wastewater treatment facilities and sanitary sewer collection systems; and the Drinking Water State Revolving Loan Fund, which provides low-interest loans for construction of public and private drinking water systems.

### *Environmental Quality Council*

**Contact Person:** Patrick Rice, Acting Director, Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality, The Atrium, 1200 N St., P.O. Box 98922, Lincoln, NE 68509-8922, phone (402) 471-2186

**Statutory Reference:** 81-1503

The Environmental Quality Council was created to carry out the federal Environmental Protection Act, and adopts rules and regulations that set air, water and land quality standards designed to protect the environment and the public health and welfare of the state. The governor appoints the director of the Department of Environmental Quality based on recommendations by the council.

The council has 17 members appointed to four-year terms by the governor with legislative approval. Council members represent the food products manufacturing industry, conservation interests, the agricultural processing industry, the automotive or petroleum industry, the chemical industry, heavy industry, the power generating industry, crop production, labor, the livestock industry, minority populations, county government and municipal government (two members, one of which represents cities not of the primary or metropolitan class). Other members include a professional engineer experienced in controlling air and water pollution and solid wastes, a medical doctor with knowledge about the health aspects of air, water and land pollution and a biologist.

The council holds at least two regular meetings each year. Members are paid \$40 a day when conducting council business and are reimbursed for expenses.

Member	Represents	Term Expires
Douglas Anderson, Aurora.....	Agricultural Processing .....	June 22, 2015
John T. Baker, Scottsbluff .....	Professional Engineer .....	June 22, 2015
Michelle Bucklin, Omaha.....	Food Products Manufacturing.....	June 22, 2017
Joseph Citta, Jr., Columbus .....	Power Generating Industry .....	June 22, 2017
Mark Czaplewski, Grand Island.....	Biologist.....	June 22, 2017
Mohamed Dahab, Lincoln.....	Minority Populations.....	June 22, 2017
John Dilsaver, Ralston.....	Automotive/Petroleum Industry.....	June 22, 2017
Rod Gangwish, Shelton.....	Agricultural Crop Production .....	June 22, 2017
Robert C. Hall, Wahoo.....	Labor.....	June 22, 2017
Lance Hedquist, South Sioux City.....	Municipal Government.....	June 22, 2017
John Kinter, Norfolk.....	Heavy Industry.....	June 22, 2015
Earl McNutt, McCook .....	County Government .....	June 22, 2015
Vern Powers, Hastings.....	Municipal Government.....	June 22, 2015
Ronald Sheppard, Callaway.....	Physician.....	June 22, 2015
John C. Turnbull, York.....	Conservation .....	June 22, 2015
Donald E. Williams, Orchard.....	Chemical Industry.....	June 22, 2015
Alden Zuhlke, Brunswick .....	Livestock Industry .....	June 22, 2017

## State Fire Marshal

**Office Address:** 246 S. 14th St., Lincoln, NE 68508, phone (402) 471-2027

**State Fire Marshal:** Jim Heine

**Statutory Reference:** 81-501.01

**Publications:** Annual report

The state fire marshal's office:

- examines plans for and inspects commercial buildings to ensure compliance with adopted fire and life safety codes
- orders the removal of combustible and explosive materials from any building or premise and orders the abatement of dangerous conditions that constitute fire hazards
- orders exits and egress of buildings as necessary to ensure safe escape in case of fire
- issues permits for wholesale and retail sale of fireworks and enforces statutes applicable to the sale, use and storage of pyrotechnics
- promulgates rules and regulations and adopts recognized safety standards for fire prevention and protection in Nebraska
- promulgates and enforces regulations that set state safety standards for transporting natural and other gas by pipelines not under the jurisdiction of the Federal Power Commission or the Interstate Commerce Commission
- investigates the origin, cause and circumstances surrounding fires, explosions and similar emergencies
- enforces accessibility standards for buildings and facilities
- enforces the underground storage tank program in conjunction with the state Department of Environmental Quality
- inspects grain elevator facilities to ensure compliance with adopted fire and life safety codes
- administers a nationally accepted statistical analysis program for fire incidents
- provides statewide training programs for fire departments and other emergency response organizations
- administers and enforces the Reduced Cigarette Ignition Propensity Program

The 1909 Legislature created a Fire Commission. Its duties were transferred in 1919 to the Division of Fire Prevention in the Department of Trade and Commerce. In 1925, appointing the state fire marshal became the responsibility of the governor. The state fire marshal was placed under the Department of Trade and Commerce and in 1933, under the Department of Insurance. In 1974, the state fire marshal was made responsible to the governor by the Legislature.

### *Nebraska Fire Safety Appeals Board*

**Contact Person:** Jim Heine, State Fire Marshal, 246 S. 14th St., Lincoln, NE 68508, phone (402) 471-2027

**Statutory Reference:** 81-502.01

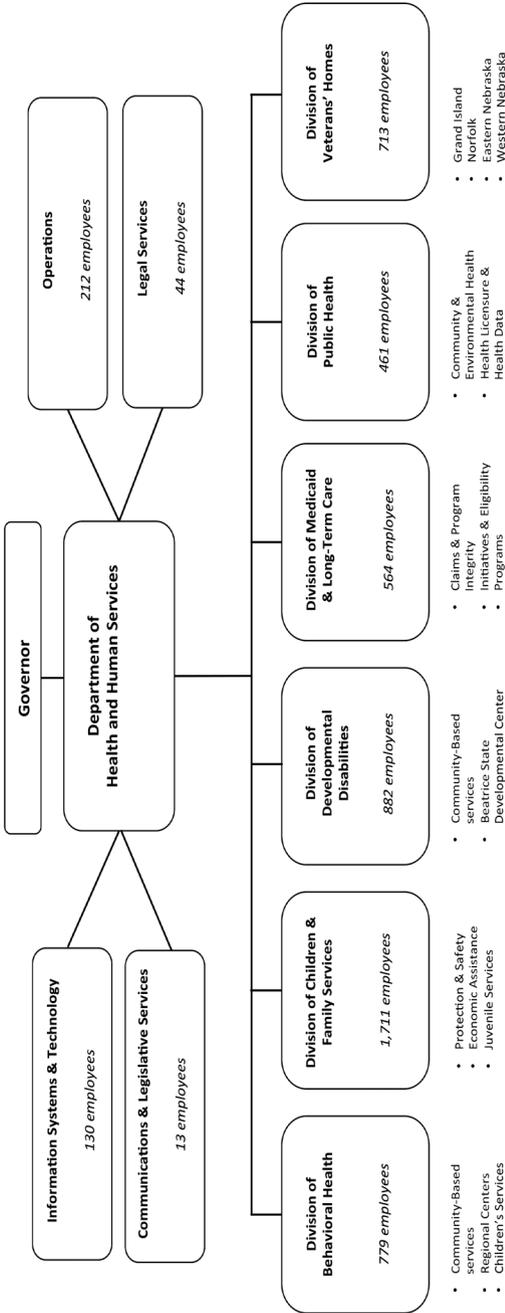
The 1971 Legislature created an advisory committee to the Office of the State Fire Marshal. In 1977, the advisory committee was changed to the Nebraska Fire Safety Ap-

peals Board. The board hears requested appeals on the application of fire regulations.

The board has nine members: a fire insurance industry representative; an architect; a public school district board member; a fire protection engineer; a fire department inspector; a volunteer fire department member; a state Department of Health and Human Services representative; a Nebraska Association of Hospitals and Health Systems representative; and a state Department of Health and Human Services Regulation and Licensure representative. Members are chosen by the governor and serve four-year terms. They are not paid but are reimbursed for their expenses.

<b>Member</b>	<b>Represents</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
David Grimes, Raymond .....	NE Association of School Boards .....	Sept. 24, 2015
Dave Kozak, Grand Island.....	Nebraska Hospital Association .....	Sept. 24, 2015
R.J. Lippert, Lincoln .....	Fire Protection .....	Sept. 24, 2015
Robert Olson, Lincoln .....	Architect.....	Sept. 24, 2015
Teri Reigert, Lincoln.....	Fire Insurance Industry .....	Sept. 24, 2015
Robert Semerena, Lincoln .....	Health and Human Services.....	Sept. 24, 2015
Jeff Soukup, Lincoln.....	Health and Human Services .....	Sept. 24, 2015
Alan Viox, Nebraska City .....	City Building Inspector.....	Sept. 24, 2015
Vacant .....	Fire Department Inspector.....	Sept. 24, 2015

# Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services\*



\* Source: Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services.

## Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services

**Office Address:** 301 Centennial Mall South, P.O. Box 95026, phone (402) 471-3121, TDD (402) 471-9570, website – [www.dhhs.ne.gov](http://www.dhhs.ne.gov)

**Acting Chief Executive Officer:** Joseph Acierno

**Statutory Reference:** 81-3111

LB296, the Health and Human Services Act, was passed by the Legislature in March 2007. LB296 transferred the administration of publicly funded health and human services programs in the State of Nebraska from the Health and Human Services System to the newly created Department of Health and Human Services, effective July 1, 2007. LB296 eliminated the HHS System and its three departments.

LB296 was the next step in a reorganization set forth by LB1044 in 1996, the Nebraska Partnership for Health and Human Services Act. LB1044 eliminated the Aging, Health, Public Institutions and Social Services departments and the Office of Juvenile Services in the Department of Correctional Services and created a system of three agencies beginning January 1, 1997. The agencies were the Department of Health and Human Services, the Department of Health and Human Services Regulation and Licensure, and the Department of Health and Human Services Finance and Support. This system was directed by a Policy Cabinet made up of the three agency directors, a policy secretary and a chief medical officer, if one was appointed.

Under LB296, a Chief Executive Officer of the Department of Health and Human Services is appointed by the Governor, and confirmed by the Legislature, to direct the Department of Health and Human Services. The Department has six divisions whose directors are also appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Legislature. These are the Divisions of Behavioral Health, the Division of Children and Family Services, the Division of Developmental Disabilities, the Division of Medicaid and Long-Term Care, the Division of Public Health, and the Division of Veterans' Homes. The operations support of the Department of Health and Human Services are placed together organizationally.

### Chief Executive Officer

**Contact Person:** Joseph Acierno, Acting CEO, Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services, 301 Centennial Mall South, P.O. Box 95026, phone (402) 471-3121

Under LB296, a Chief Executive Officer of the Department of Health and Human Services is appointed by the governor and confirmed by the Legislature to direct the Department of Health and Human Services.

Responsibilities of the Chief Executive Officer include:

- supervise and administer the department and employees, and allow for transfer of personnel between divisions
- manage services and programs
- enter into necessary agreements for provision of services
- recommend legislation that is deemed necessary and appropriate
- consult and cooperate with other state agencies

- adopt and promulgate rules and regulations as required
- coordinate assistance programs under direction of the Adjutant General, established under section 81-829.72, with programs of the department
  - coordinate budget, research and data collection efforts
  - ensure the Legislature's Appropriations Committee is provided any information required to make funding determinations and recommendations
    - seek grants and other funds from federal and other public and private sources to carry out the purposes of the act
    - act as an agent of the federal government in matters of mutual concern in conformity with the Act and scope of authority of the department as provided by law
      - facilitate joint planning initiatives, and encourage and direct initiatives and collaboration in the department
      - delegate the authority to division directors to act as a decision maker in contested cases
      - consider adopting rules and regulations regarding access to and security of confidential information among divisions and within divisions based on several factors

The directors report to the CEO. The operational support functions of Communications and Legislative Services, Information Systems and Technology and Legal Services also report to the CEO.

#### *Communications and Legislative Services*

**Contact Person:** Kathie Osterman, Administrator, Communications and Legislative Services, 301 Centennial Mall South, P.O. Box 95026, Lincoln, NE 68509-5026, phone (402) 471-9108, email address — [kathie.osterman@nebraska.gov](mailto:kathie.osterman@nebraska.gov)

Communications and Legislative Services provides public information activities through media relations and outreach efforts, legislative coordination for the department, and activities of the DHHS Helpline. The Helpline responds to questions, concerns and complaints regarding Health and Human Services and publishes an annual report. The Helpline can be reached at Department of Health and Human Services, 301 Centennial Mall South, P.O. Box 95026, Lincoln, NE 68509-5026, phone (402) 471-6035 or (800) 254-4202, email address — [dhhs.helpline@nebraska.gov](mailto:dhhs.helpline@nebraska.gov)

#### *Information Systems and Technology*

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Information Systems and Technology, in partnership with DAS-Information Management Services, provides leadership, project management, planning, implementation and support services for information technology for DHHS. IS&T helps the business define automation solutions by providing an automation plan, implementation, testing and maintenance/ongoing support. IS&T also provides Help Desk support and network/hardware support to the department, including procurement, installation, local area network management and maintenance.

*Legal Services*

**Contact Person:** Brad Gianakos, J.D., Chief Legal Counsel, Legal Services, 301 Centennial Mall South, P.O. Box 95026, Lincoln, NE 68509-5026, phone (402) 471-4731, email address — [brad.gianakos@nebraska.gov](mailto:brad.gianakos@nebraska.gov)

Legal Services provides legal advice and representation for DHHS by interpreting federal laws and regulations, state statutes, and administrative rules and regulations for programs and facilities and by representing the department in administrative hearings and in some court cases. The area also drafts and reviews legislation, rules and regulations and contracts.

*Operations*

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Operations involves activities of the Department of Health and Human Services that provide support to the divisions. The areas include Financial Services, Human Resources and Development, Internal Audit, Operations Consulting and Support Services.

*Financial Services*

**Contact Person:** Steve Shively, Administrator, Financial Services, 301 Centennial Mall South, P.O. Box 95026, Lincoln, NE 68509-5026, phone (402) 471-0676, email address — [steve.shively@nebraska.gov](mailto:steve.shively@nebraska.gov)

Financial Services provides support to DHHS through budget development and monitoring, state and federal report compilation, performance accountability and program evaluation, audits, accounting transactions, revenue collections and monitoring, grant and contract support, Medicaid reimbursements and claims processing, financial and program analysis and cost allocation and staff development.

*Human Resources and Development*

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Human Resources and Development provides support to approximately 6,000 DHHS employees across the state. The division includes employee recruitment and selection, affirmative action, employee equal opportunity, compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, labor relations, classification and compensation, equity and diversity, organizational development, employee training, career development, supervisory support, human resource analysis and planning, payroll processing, workers' compensation, benefits, employee and community service drives, unemployment insurance.

*Internal Audit*

**Contact Person:** Kevin R. Nelson, Administrator, Internal Audit, 301 Centennial Mall South, P.O. Box 95026, Lincoln, NE 68509-5026, phone (402) 471-9213, email address — [kevin.r.nelson@nebraska.gov](mailto:kevin.r.nelson@nebraska.gov)

The Internal Audit section maintains audit records and provides a DHHS point

of contact for the coordination of all audits, reviews, attestations or site visits in which a federal or state official is reviewing one or more DHHS programs or grants with the purpose of issuing a report that may contain findings requiring a corrective action plan. Internal Audit provides information on recognized best practices and technical assistance to support DHHS in all audit activities.

#### *Operations Consulting*

**Contact Person:** Linsey Yokley, Operations Consulting Manager, 301 Centennial Mall South, P.O. Box 95026, Lincoln, NE 68509-5026, phone (402) 326-1281, email address — [linsey.yokley@nebraska.gov](mailto:linsey.yokley@nebraska.gov)

The Operations Consulting section is an internal consulting team that identifies, develops, implements and evaluates business practices throughout DHHS for efficiency and effectiveness with a concentration on improved services, reduced costs and streamlined bureaucratic process. Work involves internal DHHS, state agency and external entity stakeholders. Operations Consulting provides additional assistance to DHHS program staff to implement corrective action plans.

#### *Support Services*

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Support Services offers technical assistance and support to DHHS in purchasing; equipment inventory; surplus property; vehicle management; telecommunications; office space leasing and space planning; safety, security and emergency planning; records management; word processing; graphics; property insurance; distribution of mail, forms and supplies; and food stamp issuance.

### **Division of Behavioral Health**

**Contact Person:** Sheri Dawson, Acting Division Director, 301 Centennial Mall South, P.O. Box 95026, Lincoln, NE 68509-5026, phone (402) 471-7856, email address — [sheri.dawson@nebraska.gov](mailto:sheri.dawson@nebraska.gov)

The Division of Behavioral Health administers the three state Regional Centers for the mentally ill and the state's publicly funded community-based behavioral health services.

**Hastings Regional Center:** William Gibson, Chief Executive Officer, P.O. Box 579, Hastings, NE 68901-0579, phone (402) 462-3127, email address — [bill.gibson@nebraska.gov](mailto:bill.gibson@nebraska.gov)

**Lincoln Regional Center:** William Gibson, Chief Executive Officer, Folsom and West Prospector Place, P.O. Box 94949, Lincoln, NE 68509-4949, phone (402) 479-5388, email address — [bill.gibson@nebraska.gov](mailto:bill.gibson@nebraska.gov)

**Norfolk Regional Center:** William Gibson, Chief Executive Officer, P.O. Box 1209, Norfolk, NE 68702-1209, phone (402) 370-3400, email address — [bill.gibson@nebraska.gov](mailto:bill.gibson@nebraska.gov)

**Statutory References for Regional Centers:** 83-107.01 and 83-305

Behavioral Health implements mental health, substance abuse and problem gambling programs through community and regional clinical programs and services.

Through its mental health programs, the area administers developmental and regional center clinical programs and services. Community mental-health programs operate under six regional governing boards, which administer or contract with local community mental health programs to provide comprehensive emergency, short-term inpatient, day rehabilitation and treatment, residential, vocational support, service coordination, consultation and education and specialized child and adolescent services.

Changes in the behavioral health system as a result of LB1083, passed in 2004, are intended to create a balance between hospital and community-based services and develop alternative psychiatric residential rehabilitation services that allow people to live in the community when appropriate. The role of the three regional centers is to provide indigent acute care and secure residential services. Community-based alternatives for mental health rehabilitation services, such as assertive community treatment teams, expanded community support and day rehabilitation, will be located in community settings.

A State Advisory Committee on Mental Health Services (statutory reference: 71-814) identifies program needs, offers guidance and acts as an advocate for the interests of consumers and their families, and makes recommendations to DHHS.

The program plans and distributes state general fund money to community-based programs that provide substance abuse prevention, intervention, treatment and aftercare services. It also administers the alcohol and drug abuse portion of the Alcohol, Drug Abuse and Mental Health Services Block Grant. Community alcoholism treatment and rehabilitation programs fall under six mental health and substance abuse governing boards. To ensure services meet minimum quality standards, staff visit sites to certify program compliance.

Two advisory committees assist in the work of the Division of Behavioral Health, including the State Advisory Committee on Mental Health Services (statutory reference: 71-814) and the State Advisory Committee on Substance Abuse Services (statutory reference: 71-815).

*State Advisory Committee on Substance Abuse Services*

**Contact Person:** Karen Harker, Division of Behavioral Health, 301 Centennial Mall South, P.O. Box 95026, Lincoln, NE 68509-5026, phone (402) 471-7796, email addresses — [karen.harker@nebraska.gov](mailto:karen.harker@nebraska.gov)

<b>Member</b>	<b>Represents</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Ann Ebsen, Bellevue .....	Region 6 .....	July 1, 2015
Ingrid Gansebom, Norfolk .....	Region 4 .....	July 1, 2015
Paige Hruza, Omaha .....	Region 6 .....	July 1, 2016
Jay Jackson, Columbus .....	Region 4 .....	July 1, 2017
Dusty Lord, Lincoln .....	Region 5 .....	July 1, 2015
Kimberley Mundil, Raymond .....	Region 5 .....	July 1, 2016
Michael Phillips, Omaha .....	Region 6 .....	July 1, 2016
Randy See, Grand Island .....	Region 3 .....	July 1, 2017
Todd Stull, Omaha .....	Region 6 .....	July 1, 2017
Mary Wernke, Hemingford .....	Region 1 .....	July 1, 2017
Sheri Dawson, Lincoln .....	Region 5 .....	Jan. 1, 2015

*State Advisory Committee on Mental Health Services*

**Contact Person:** Karen Harker, Division of Behavioral Health, 301 Centennial Mall South, P.O. Box 95026, Lincoln, NE 68509-5026, phone (402) 471-7796, email address — karen.harker@nebraska.gov

<b>Member</b>	<b>Represents</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Mickey Adler, Lincoln .....	Consumer, Region 5.....	July 1, 2017
Adria Bace, Lincoln .....	State Department of Education, Region 5.....	July 1, 2015
Karla Bennetts, Wilcox.....	Family, Region 4.....	July 1, 2016
Cindy Buesing, Lincoln .....	DHHS Medicaid, Region 5.....	July 1, 2017
Sheri Dawson, Lincoln.....	DHHS Behavioral Health, Region 5 .....	June 1, 2015
Beverly Ferguson, Norfolk .....	Family, Region 4.....	July 1, 2015
Kathleen Hanson, Lincoln .....	Consumer, Region 5.....	July 1, 2015
Bradley Hoefs, Elkhorn .....	Consumer, Region 6.....	July 1, 2015
Jette Hogenmiller, Ft. Calhoun .....	Family, Region 6.....	July 1, 2016
Lara Huskey, Lincoln .....	Department of Economic Development, Region 5.....	Jan. 1, 2016
Patti Jurjevich, Omaha.....	Program Administrator, Region 6.....	July 1, 2016
Linda Krutz, Lincoln.....	Crime Commission, Region 5.....	July 1, 2015
Jerry McCallum, Madison .....	Regional Governing Board, Region 4 .....	July 1, 2015
Phyllis McCaul, Lincoln .....	Family, Region 5.....	July 1, 2017
Kasey Moyer, Lincoln.....	Family/Provider, Region 5.....	July 1, 2015
Ashley Pankonin, North Platte .....	Family, Region 2.....	July 1, 2017
Rachel Pinkerton, Valley .....	Family, Region 6.....	July 1, 2015
Joel Schneider, Omaha .....	Consumer, Region 6.....	July 1, 2017
Jill Schreck, Lincoln .....	DHHS Children and Family Services, Region 5.....	Jan. 1, 2015
Mark Schultz, Lincoln .....	Division of Vocational Rehabilitation, Region 5.....	July 1, 2015
Mary Thunker, Omaha.....	Consumer, Region 6.....	July 1, 2017
Diana Waggoner, Omaha.....	Family, Region 6.....	July 1, 2016
Cameron White, Lincoln.....	Department of Corrections, Region 5.....	July 1, 2016

**Division of Children & Family Services**

**Contact Person:** Tony Green, Acting Division Director, 301 Centennial Mall South, P.O. Box 95026, Lincoln, NE 68509-5026, phone (402) 471-8403, email address — tony.green@nebraska.gov

The Division of Children and Family Services administers Child Welfare and the Office of Juvenile Services; Economic and Family Support programs and services, including public assistance programs and child support enforcement. There are five Service Areas that organize the division's work geographically across the state. Service Area employees are responsible for the administration and delivery of services at the local level.

*Protection and Safety Field Operations*

**Contact Person:** Vicki Maca, Deputy Director, 301 Centennial Mall South, P.O. Box 95026, Lincoln, NE 68509-5026, phone (402) 471-1362, email address — vicki.maca@nebraska.gov



Responsibilities of this area include the delivery of protection and safety services to children and families across the state. The outcomes are to achieve the safety of children, ensure permanency and encourage physical, educational and mental well-being. These results are accomplished by assessing the risks of child abuse, neglect and exploitation; helping people become or remain self-supporting and independent; and providing services for dependent, neglected and status offender youth and their families.

A Field Operations Administrator oversees the five administrators in the field who are responsible for the delivery of these services:

**Field Operations Administrator:** Sheila Bacon, 301 Centennial Mall South, P.O. Box 95026, Lincoln, NE 68509-5026, phone (402) 471-6766, email address — sheila.bacon@nebraska.gov

**Central Service Area:** Kathleen Stolz, Administrator, P.O. Box 40, Grand Island, NE 68802, phone (308) 385-6173, email address — kathleen.stolz@nebraska.gov

Includes Adams, Blaine, Boyd, Brown, Buffalo, Cherry, Custer, Franklin, Garfield, Greeley, Hall, Harlan, Holt, Howard, Kearney, Keya Paha, Loup, Phelps, Rock, Sherman, Valley, Webster and Wheeler counties.

**Eastern Service Area:** Camas Steuter, Administrator, 1313 Farnam St., Omaha, NE 68102, phone (402) 595-2228, email address — camas.steuter@nebraska.gov

Includes Douglas and Sarpy counties.

**Northern Service Area:** Mike Puls, Administrator, P.O. Box 339, 209 N. Fifth St., Norfolk, NE 68702-0339, phone (402) 370-3359, email address — mike.puls@nebraska.gov

Includes Antelope, Boone, Burt, Butler, Cedar, Colfax, Cuming, Dakota, Dixon, Dodge, Hamilton, Knox, Madison, Merrick, Nance, Pierce, Platte, Polk, Saunders, Seward, Stanton, Thurston, Washington, Wayne and York counties.

**Southeast Service Area:** Lindy Bryceson, Administrator, 1050 N St., Suite 350, Lincoln, NE 68508, phone (402) 471-6771, email address — lindy.bryceson@nebraska.gov

Includes Butler, Cass, Clay, Fillmore, Gage, Jefferson, Johnson, Lancaster, Nemaha, Nuckolls, Otoe, Pawnee, Polk, Richardson, Saline and Thayer counties.

**Western Service Area:** Debbie Silverman, Interim Administrator, P.O. Box 540, 1600 10th St., Gering, NE 69341, phone (308) 436-6551, email address — debbie.silverman@nebraska.gov

Includes Arthur, Banner, Box Butte, Chase, Cheyenne, Dawes, Dawson, Deuel, Dundy, Frontier, Furnas, Garden, Gosper, Grant, Hayes, Hitchcock, Hooker, Keith, Kimball, Lincoln, Logan, McPherson, Morrill, Perkins, Red Willow, Scotts Bluff, Sheridan, Sioux and Thomas counties.

#### *Protection and Safety Policy Section*

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This area sets policy and procedures, develops and monitors comprehensive planning efforts such as develops and monitors contracts, manages federal audits and assures quality for family and child welfare programs. These programs include child

protective services, foster care, adoption and subsidized adoption programs, adoption search, preparation for independent living, the Interstate Compact on the Placement of Children, help for victims of domestic abuse and resource development.

The area administers the Child Abuse Prevention Fund and the Child Abuse Prevention Fund Board.

Adult Protective Services administers a central registry, which contains reports of abuse, neglect or exploitation of vulnerable adults, and provides training and technical assistance to DHHS staff.

#### *Juvenile Services*

**Contact Person:** Tony Green, Administrator, Juvenile Services and Youth Rehabilitation and Treatment Centers, 301 Centennial Mall South, P.O. Box 95026, Lincoln, NE 68509-5026, phone (402) 471-8403, email address — [tony.green@nebraska.gov](mailto:tony.green@nebraska.gov)

**Youth Rehabilitation and Treatment Center-Geneva:** Dan Scarborough, Facility Administrator, 855 N. 1st St., Geneva, NE 68361-0273, phone (402) 759-3164, email address — [dan.scarborough@nebraska.gov](mailto:dan.scarborough@nebraska.gov)

**Youth Rehabilitation and Treatment Center-Kearney:** Jana Peterson, Facility Administrator, 2802 30th Ave., Kearney, NE 68847-9599, phone (308) 338-2000, email address — [jana.peterson@nebraska.gov](mailto:jana.peterson@nebraska.gov)

**Statutory References:** 43-404 and 83-107.01

Juvenile Services originally was established in 1994 within the Department of Correctional Services. The programs and functions of the office were transferred to DHHS in 1997.

The functions of the Office of Juvenile Services include administration of the Youth Rehabilitation and Treatment Centers (YRTCs) in Kearney and Geneva and juvenile community supervision services. The office provides, coordinates and monitors community-based services and programs for juveniles and their families committed to the office's custody.

Juvenile services officers are responsible for case management of juveniles committed to the office and supervising juveniles paroled from the YRTCs or committed by the courts for direct community placement.

YRTC-Geneva houses adjudicated female juveniles committed to Juvenile Services by the juvenile courts for staff-secure residential custody.

YRTC-Kearney houses adjudicated male juveniles committed Juvenile Services by the juvenile courts for staff-secure residential custody.

Both centers provide education and specialized treatment designed to meet the developmental needs of juveniles and to redirect their behavior.

#### *Economic Assistance*

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This area develops statewide public assistance policies and procedures for economic assistance programs and is responsible for the delivery of services through the Service

Areas and four customer service centers in Fremont, Lexington, Lincoln and Scottsbluff. Services include: Aid to Dependent Children; Employment First; State Supplemental Assistance for the Aged, Blind or Disabled; the State Disability Program; the Low-Income Energy Block Grant; Child Care Subsidy; Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program; Child Support Enforcement; and the Refugee Resettlement Program.

Aid to Dependent Children provides financial assistance to dependent children deprived of support or care from parents because their parents have died, are absent from home, are physically or mentally unable, are without a job or work only part-time. State Supplemental Assistance to the Aged, Blind or Disabled provides financial help to needy aged, blind or disabled adults. People eligible for these two programs also are eligible for medical assistance.

Employment First provides job training, education and employment preparation to those who receive Aid to Dependent Children benefits. Supportive services, including medical and childcare, are provided for up to two years after a cash grant ceases to ensure the person is able to keep his or her job.

State Disability provides financial and medical assistance to needy adults who are temporarily disabled and do not qualify for Supplemental Security Income, State Supplement or Medical Assistance.

Low-Income Energy Assistance helps low-income Nebraskans defray their utility costs. Also, LIHEAP recipients' homes are weatherized upon request through local community action agencies.

Refugee Resettlement assists with refugees' financial and medical assistance during their initial resettlement in the United States.

The Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), formerly the Food Stamp Program, enables low-income households to buy a greater variety of food to provide a more nutritious diet. Each participant gets a coupon allotment based on the number of people in the household and the household's net total income.

The Food Distribution Program Unit administers U.S. Department of Agriculture surplus food and commodity distribution to school lunch programs and coordinates commodity distribution to needy individuals.

The Nebraska child care program assists Nebraska families with the costs of child care, provides funding for child care providers to help them expand services within a community and provides training and development opportunities for child care providers and parents.

Help with child care expenses is available, on a sliding fee scale, to families with children 12 years of age or younger and/or with special needs. Family members must be employed, attend school or training sessions, go to medical or counseling appointments or be incapacitated.

The Nebraska Early Childhood Interagency Coordinating Council (statutory reference: 43-3401) provides coordination for the state agencies responsible for childcare, early childhood education services and early intervention services.

*Child Support Enforcement*

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Child Support Enforcement services include locating parents, establishing paternity, establishing child and medical support orders, enforcing support orders and reviewing and modifying court orders. The methods available to locate parents and collect support have increased because of recent legislation tied to welfare reform efforts, including a new hire registry and license suspension for people failing to pay support. Child Support Enforcement services are provided through a network of DHHS staff, county attorneys, authorized attorneys and contracted service providers.

**Division of Developmental Disabilities**

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The Division of Developmental Disabilities is charged by state statute with carrying out the Development Disabilities Services Act and operating the Beatrice State Developmental Center (a 24-hour intermediate care facility for persons with developmental disabilities).

*Community-Based Services*

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The responsibility of the community-based services component is to link individuals with developmental disabilities to supports and services. This includes identifying non-specialized community supports; assessing the need for specialized services; providing certification of and technical assistance to providers of community-based developmental disability services; monitoring service delivery and administering state and federal funds used by specialized developmental disability programs in the state. The Advisory Committee on Developmental Disabilities (statutory reference: 83-1212.01) gives advice on the funding and delivery of services to persons with developmental disabilities.

*Beatrice State Developmental Center*

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**Statutory References for BSDC:** 83-107.01 and 83-217

The Beatrice State Developmental Center is a residential facility providing on-site intensive 24-hour habilitative and medical services to about 400 Nebraskans with mental retardation and other developmental disabilities. The center's Intensive Treatment Service helps people find increased opportunities through 30- to 90-day stays and home site follow-through. BSDC sponsors an annual conference that has become a national event drawing nearly 2,000 participants.

### Division of Medicaid and Long-Term Care

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The Division of Medicaid and Long-Term Care administers the medical assistance program, also known as Medicaid; the Children's Health Insurance Plan (CHIP); aging services; and other related programs and services.

#### *Claims and Program Integrity Section*

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This section is responsible for claims processing for Medicaid and the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) including all hospital, practitioner and provider claims. The claims processing unit also is responsible for the Medicaid Inquiry Line, the Electronic Data Interchange for providers, Provider Enrollment, Coordination of Benefits - Health and Casualty and Third Party Liability, Estate Recovery and School-Based Programs (MIPS and NEBMAC).

The purpose of the Program Integrity Unit is to identify and prevent areas of fraud, abuse and waste for the Nebraska Medicaid and CHIP programs.

#### *Initiatives and Eligibility Section*

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This section sets client eligibility policy for Medicaid and CHIP, supports implementation of eligibility policy and coordinates oversight. The Medicaid IT Initiatives Unit houses a Medicaid Quality Unit, the EHR Incentive Payment Program and staff with expertise in project coordination and funding requirements who serve as business leads on various information technology-related projects.

#### *Programs Section*

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This section is responsible for program policy for acute care services that include physical health services; mental health/substance abuse services; pharmacy, including services provided in hospitals, Rural Health Clinics, free standing birth centers and Federally Qualified Health Centers; at-risk managed care programs for physical and mental health/substance abuse; transportation brokerage; long-term care services and supports, including nursing facility services, ICF/MRs, home health services, private duty nursing and Home and Community Based Service Waivers (HCBS); and state and grant funded programs including the Medically Handicapped Children's Program, the Disabled Persons and Family Support Program, Social Services Block Grant and Respite.

This section also includes the State Unit on Aging.

### **Division of Public Health**

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The Division of Public Health administers preventive and community health programs and services, the regulation and licensure of health-related profession, occupations, health care facilities and health care services.

If the director of public health is licensed to practice medicine and surgery in Nebraska, he or she is also the chief medical officer. If the director of public health is not licensed to practice medicine and surgery in Nebraska, the governor appoints a chief medical officer in addition to the director. The chief medical officer is the final decision maker in contested cases of health care facilities and professionals, performs duties under current licensing laws and other duties as provided by law.

#### *Community and Environmental Health Section*

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#### *Lifespan Health Services*

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This area promotes public health activities that enhance the health of families and individuals through education, prevention of disease, reduction of morbidity and mortality and access to appropriate services. This mission is carried out through a wide range of programs and activities.

The Commodity Supplemental Food Program provides education and foods distributed by the U.S. Department of Agriculture through eight local agencies statewide to low-income seniors age 60 and older.

The Immunization Program provides vaccines, assessment and informational support to immunization clinics and private providers for children from infancy to college freshmen. The program also provides selected vaccines for eligible adults and information about Hepatitis B prevention, adult immunization and travel immunizations. Newborn Screening and Genetics coordinates the screening of all newborns in the state for 28 metabolic, endocrine, hematologic and other conditions. The area funds certain formulas and medically necessary foods for persons with these disorders. This area also coordinates newborn hearing screening, including tracking and referral activities.

Maternal Child Adolescent Health promotes school and community health programs, works with consumers and providers on a number of maternal and child health issues and administers the Healthy Mothers/Healthy Babies Helpline and a number of other programs including Abstinence Education; Maternal, Infant and Early Childhood

Home Visiting and Personal Responsibility and Education.

The Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC) is a preventive nutrition and health program for pregnant, breastfeeding and postpartum women, infants and children up to age 5 that provides nutrient-specific foods, nutrition and health education through 13 local agencies that serve more than 110 clinic sites.

MCH Epidemiology plans and manages data and surveillance projects, including the Pregnancy Risk Assessment Monitoring Systems and the Child and Maternal Death Review Team.

The Nebraska Child and Maternal Death Review Team initially grew out of recommendations from a task force of the Nebraska Commission for the Protection of Children. (Statutory Reference: 71-3406). The commission was created by then-Gov. Ben Nelson in July 1991 to assess the status of child protection practices in the state and to develop an implementation plan to improve such practices.

The Child Death Review Task Force was assigned the responsibility of planning for the development of state and local child death review teams in Nebraska. The task force recommended the establishment of a state child death review team to review detailed information on Nebraska child deaths. The result of this recommendation was LB431, enacted in 1993. Maternal death reviews were added through LB361, enacted in 2013.

The chief executive officer of DHHS can appoint 12 to 15 members to the Child and Maternal Death Review Team. The core members are a physician and a DHHS child protection specialist, a forensic pathologist, a law enforcement representative and an attorney. Members serve four-year terms, except for the department physician, who is a permanent member and chairperson of the team. The team meets at least four times a year.

Member	Represents	Term Expires
Karen Authier, Elkhorn	Social Worker	July 1, 2018
Robert Bonebrake, Omaha	Obstetrician	July 1, 2018
Robert Brown, Omaha	Pathologist	July 1, 2016
Suzanne Haney, Omaha	Pathologist	July 1, 2018
Don Klein, Omaha	County Attorney	July 1, 2018
Doris Lassiter, Omaha	Child Health Consultant	July 1, 2018
Howard Needelman, Omaha	Neonatologist	July 1, 2018
Mary Jo Pankoke, Lincoln	Child Welfare Specialist	July 1, 2018
Connie Pfeifer, Lincoln	Children and Family Services, DHHS	July 1, 2018
Peg Prusa-Ogea, Lincoln	Injury Prevention, DHHS	July 1, 2018
Julie Rogers, Lincoln	Child Welfare Specialist	July 1, 2018
Cary Simpson, Lincoln	Social Worker	July 1, 2018
David Thome, Grand Island	Law Enforcement	July 1, 2018
Joseph Acierno, Omaha (Chair)	Chief Medical Officer, DHHS	Nonexpiring

Reproductive Health provides education and comprehensive medical reproductive health services to men and women on a sliding fee scale. Medical services include breast and pelvic exams, pap smears, blood pressure, urinalysis, sexually transmitted disease testing and treatment, pregnancy testing, contraceptive methods, follow-up and referral.

Women’s and Men’s Health programs provide screening, data and public health

education specific to the health concerns of women and men. These concerns include colorectal, breast and cervical cancer, weight management, heart disease and other special initiatives. Included is the Every Woman Matters Program, which provides women with screening and diagnostic services for breast, cervical and colorectal cancers; prevention and screening for cardiovascular disease and diabetes; and education on arthritis.

The 1995 Legislature passed LB68, which created the Every Woman Matters Breast and Cervical Cancer Advisory Committee (Statutory Reference: 71-7012). The purpose of the committee is to encourage payment of public and private funds into the Breast and Cervical Cancer Cash Fund, plan and implement outreach and educational programs for Nebraska women and research and recommend to DHHS appropriate expenditures from the cash fund.

The committee consists of no more than 24 volunteer members, appointed by the DHHS director, at least eight of whom must be women. Members serve two-year renewable terms.

The Women's Health Initiative (Statutory Reference: 71-701) was established in 2000 to improve the health of women in Nebraska by fostering the development of a comprehensive system of coordinated services, policy development, advocacy and education. The 30-member Women's Health Initiative Advisory Council, appointed by the governor, advises the Women's Health Initiative in carrying out its duties and solicits funds to support the initiative (Statutory Reference: 71-702). Two state senators serve as ex officio, nonvoting members.

#### *Health Promotion*

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Health Promotion focuses on specific areas of chronic disease and works to reduce or prevent negative outcomes through public education, surveillance, interventions and prevention activities. The area includes the Tobacco Free Nebraska Program, the Comprehensive Cancer Program, and the Chronic Renal Disease Program, which assists people suffering from chronic renal disease and who are unable to pay for services on a continuing basis. The area also oversees oral health and dentistry, chronic disease prevention – including diabetes, heart disease, stroke, school health, nutrition and physical activity – organ and tissue donation and injury prevention and control.

Infectious Disease includes the Ryan White Program, which helps people with HIV infection to access healthcare and support services, and the human immunodeficiency virus, sexually transmitted diseases, hepatitis and tuberculosis prevention programs.

#### *Community and Rural Health Planning*

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The major functions of this area are to support rural health care through the placement of medical providers in underserved areas, provide funding for quality improvement

activities, encourage collaboration among hospitals and providers and share information regarding system changes affecting hospitals and clinics. The office promotes the development and enhancement of emergency medical services and trauma systems and provides technical assistance and training to EMS providers.

The office also provides information, assistance and funding to address health disparities; supports local public health departments and communities in achieving national accreditation; performs assessment, assurance and policy development to enhance public health; advocates for people with developmental disabilities and provides grants to address gaps and barriers in the system of services for people with disabilities.

The Rural Health Advisory Commission (statutory reference: 71-5654), staffed by Rural Health, advises DHHS, the Legislature, the governor and the University of Nebraska concerning all aspects of rural health. It also advises the Office of Rural Health regarding the administration of the Rural Health Systems and Professional Incentive Act.

The Office of Health Disparities and Health Equity focuses on improving minorities' access to health services, improving data collection strategies and expanding community-based health promotion and disease prevention outreach efforts. Two satellite offices are located in Omaha and Lexington.

The Planning Council on Developmental Disabilities (Statutory Reference: Federal Public Law 103-230) develops a statewide plan for persons with developmental disabilities; evaluates quality of services; advocates promoting human and legal rights of persons with developmental disabilities; stimulates service activities in the priority service areas; and evaluates implementation of the state plan.

The Office of Emergency Medical Services and Trauma Systems strengthens emergency care through cooperative partnerships, assessment, training and technical assistance. The office developed and maintains a system for voluntary hospital trauma designation.

The Office of Community Health and Performance Management provides technical assistance, training and funding to local public health departments; coordinates performance management and quality improvement activities for the Division of Public Health; and supports activities to achieve national accreditation for the state public health division and local public health departments.

#### *Environmental Health*

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Environmental Health includes the Risk Assessment Program, Office of Environmental Health Hazards and Indoor Air, Office of Radiological Health, Office of Drinking Water and Environmental Health and the Office of Public Health Environmental Laboratory Services.

The Risk Assessment Program is responsible for conducting studies and performing and evaluating technical risk assessments regarding the potential risk to human health from sites that contain environmental contamination. The program provides consultation to the public, other programs and agencies regarding toxicological issues.

The Office of Environmental Health Hazards and Indoor Air is responsible for enforcing regulations to prevent diseases due to environmental risks and includes the Asbestos and Lead-Based Paint program, Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention program and the Radon and Indoor Air program. The office licenses and inspects businesses involved in environmental activities.

The Office of Radiological Health is responsible for registering and inspecting all x-ray generating equipment in the state. Under authority granted to Nebraska by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, the office licenses and inspects facilities that possess or use radioactive materials. The office issues permits for transportation of radioactive shipments across the state and maintains radiological emergency response capabilities in the event of a potential or actual release of radiation during a transportation accident or an incident at either of Nebraska's nuclear power plants.

The Office of Drinking Water and Environmental Health is responsible for implementation of the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) by inspecting and licensing public water systems; training and certifying public water system operators; reviewing and approving plans and specifications associated with the design and construction of public water systems; developing water sampling schedules for monitoring drinking water in public water systems; monitoring laboratory test results for compliance with applicable drinking water standards; issuing administrative orders and imposing sanctions for violation of the SDWA; transmitting reports and data to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency; and providing staff support for the Advisory Council on Public Water Supplies.

The office administers the Water Well Standards and Contractors' Licensing Act by promulgating regulations, assuring availability of training for the regulated community, conducting inspections of wells and providing staff support for the Water Well Standards and Contractors' Licensing Board. The office also inspects domestic water wells under a voluntary program. The office provides training for certified pool operators and is responsible for licensing swimming pools, mobile home parks and recreation camps. The office also inspects day care centers, schools and public institutions for sanitation and food safety, and investigates nuisance complaints.

The Office of Public Health Environmental Laboratory Services is responsible for providing reliable and accurate test results on samples of water, air and human blood. The office maintains certification from the EPA or an EPA-approved certification entity to assure the quality of test results. Drinking water samples are tested to determine if the water meets standards for human consumption. Surface water samples are tested to determine if the samples are within acceptable limits for chemical and biological contamination. Air samples are tested for air quality and blood alcohol samples are tested for law enforcement agencies.

#### *Health Licensure and Health Data*

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*Vital Records*

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Vital Records was created in 1905 as a legal depository for the state's vital records. This section officially registers, preserves, indexes and tabulates records of birth, death, marriage and divorce. It also maintains certificates of delayed birth registration and adoptive certificates and serves as a resource for information about biological parents and siblings, subject to statutory guidelines on adoption. It serves as a central registry of adoptees' medical histories and as the biological fathers registry for those wishing to make a paternity claim for newborns. Vital Records also works with law enforcement agencies under the state's Missing Children Act. From these vital records, statistical reports are developed and made available for the public and various health planning and assessment purposes.

*Public Health Preparedness and Emergency Response*

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The Public Health Preparedness and Emergency Response section provides technical assistance to local public health departments and health care system response partners to assist in the management of cooperative agreements.

The office coordinates efforts and manages grant funds provided to Nebraska to prepare for and respond to the threat of bioterrorism and other public health emergencies.

*Investigations*

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This area's activities include investigations of:

- licensed, registered or certified health care professionals and professionals in health care-related fields; unlicensed health care practice; precicensure investigations; and compliance with provisions of the Uniform Credentialing Act, rules and regulations governing professional practice, and the Uniform Controlled Substances Act
- recipient fraud in energy assistance, Medicaid, Assistance to the Aged, Blind and Disabled (AABD), Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF), Social Service Block Grants (Title XX) and Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)
- Medicaid and SNAP quality assurance
- child support determinations

*Epidemiology and Informatics*

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Epidemiology and Informatics provides statistical information, data base management, data collection and epidemiological support for DHHS. The unit is responsible for conducting public health surveillance, collecting and maintaining various health data sets and conducting data quality assurance with secured confidentiality. The unit also provides technical support and health data to federal, state and local health departments.

Offices and programs in this unit include: Office of Epidemiology; Office of Health Statistics; Nebraska Public Health Joint Data Center, Injury Surveillance/Crash Outcome Data Evaluation System (CODES) and Geographic Information System (GIS).

The Office of Epidemiology responds to reports of acute diseases with public health significance and is responsible for infectious disease surveillance. The office also conducts bioterrorism outbreak investigations, hospital associated infection surveillance, occupational safety and health surveillance and antimicrobial resistance surveillance.

The Office of Health Statistics is responsible for secure health data collection and distribution. Information within the registry databases is confidential and the release of such information is restricted (Statutory References: 71-602, 71-612 and 81-663 to 81-675). The office also collects survey data on major health risk factors among adults residing in the state, such as smoking, seat belt usage, exercise and nutrition, which is used to track changes in behaviors over time.

Injury Surveillance/Crash Outcome Data Evaluation System (CODES) is responsible for providing epidemiological and data support for injury prevention activities and meeting the needs of federal, state and local public health and highway safety agencies. CODES links and uses motor vehicle crash data and health data to trace injured individuals from the crash scene throughout the health care system and identifies the causes and outcomes resulting from motor vehicle crashes. In addition, CODES coordinates data quality assessment and improvement for EMS and Hospital Discharge Injury Data.

The Geographic Information Systems (GIS) program is responsible for supporting the activities of DHHS and public health partners by providing and maintaining accurate, current and complete public health geospatial data.

The Nebraska Public Health Joint Data Center is responsible for developing, maintaining and updating a centralized and integrated public health data system with the ultimate goal of utilizing the data to improve public health practice and research.

*Licensure*

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Licensure is responsible for the licensure of individuals, facilities, services and programs that provide health-related services. These responsibilities are carried out through the following programs:

- Professional and Occupational Credentialing
- Health Care Facility Licensure and Certification

- Child Care Program Licensure
- Children's Residential Child Caring Agency and Child Placing Agency Licensure

The unit also administers the Nebraska Credentialing Review Act, the Nebraska Certificate of Need Act and the State Board of Health. The unit works with 26 professional licensing boards and various other committees in administering licensing and regulatory activities for the programs listed above.

*Professions and Occupations Licensed, Certified and/or Registered*

## Medical and Specialized Health Section

**Dentistry:**

Dentist  
 Dental Anesthesia Permit  
 Dental Faculty License  
 Dental Hygienist  
 Local Anesthesia Certification  
 Locum Tenens

**Medicine & Surgery:**

Acupuncturist  
 Genetic Counselor  
 Locum Tenens  
 Osteopathic Medicine & Surgery  
 Perfusionist  
 Physician  
 Physician Assistant  
 Temporary Educational Permit  
 Temporary Physician Assistant  
 Temporary Visiting Faculty Permit

**Optometry:**

Optometrist

**Pharmacy:**

Pharmacist  
 Pharmacy Intern  
 Dispensing Practitioner  
 Temporary Educational Permit

**Podiatry:**

Podiatrist

**Radiography:**

Limited Radiographer  
 Medical Radiographer  
 Podiatric Limited Radiographer  
 Provisional Limited Radiographer  
 Temporary Medical Radiographer

**Veterinary Medicine & Surgery:**

Veterinarian  
 Veterinary Technician

## Nursing and Nursing Support Section

**Nursing:**

Advanced Practice Registered Nurse -  
 Certified Nurse Midwife  
 Advanced Practice Registered Nurse -  
 Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist  
 Advanced Practice Registered Nurse -  
 Clinical Nurse Specialist  
 Advanced Practice Registered Nurse -  
 Nurse Practitioner  
 Licensed Practical Nurse/Registered Nurse  
 Licensed Practical Nurse-Certified

**Nursing Support:**

Medication Aide  
 Nurse Aide  
 Paid Dining Assistant

*Professions and Occupations Licensed, Certified and/or Registered (Cont'd.)*

## Mental Health and Consumer Services Section

**Alcohol and Drug Counseling:**

Alcohol and Drug Counselor  
Provisional Alcohol and Drug Counselor

**Alcohol Breath/Blood Testing Permits****Body Art:**

Body Brander  
Body Piercer  
Permanent Color Technician  
Tattoo Artist

**Cosmetology:**

Apprentice  
Cosmetician  
Cosmetologist  
Cosmetology Instructor  
Guest Artist  
Student Cosmetologist  
Student Instructor  
Temporary Practitioner

**Drug and Alcohol Counselors****Electrology:**

Electrologist  
Student Electrologist  
Electrology Instructor

**Esthetician:**

Esthetician  
Esthetics Instructor  
Student Esthetician  
Student Instructor

**Funeral Directing & Embalming:**

Funeral Director/Embalmer  
Apprentice Funeral Director/Embalmer

**Massage Therapy:**

Massage Therapist  
Temporary Massage Therapist

**Medical Nutrition Therapist:**

Medical Nutrition Therapist

**Mental Health Practice:**

Marriage & Family Therapist  
Master Social Work  
Mental Health Practitioner  
Professional Counselor  
Provisionally Certified Master Social Worker  
Provisionally Licensed Mental Health  
Practitioner

**Nail Technology:**

Nail Technician  
Nail Technology Instructor  
Temporary Practitioner

**Nursing Home Administration:**

Administrator-in-Training/Mentoring  
Program  
Nursing Home Administrator  
Preceptor  
Provisional Nursing Home Administrator

**Psychology:**

30-day Permit  
Provisionally Licensed Psychologist  
Psychological Assistant/Psychologist  
Associate  
Psychologist  
Temporary Psychologist

**Social Work:**

Certified Social Worker  
Certified Master Social Worker  
Provisionally Certified Master Social Worker

*Professions and Occupations Licensed, Certified and/or Registered (Cont'd.)*

## Rehabilitation and Community Services Section

**Asbestos:**

Inspector  
 Management Planner  
 Project Designer  
 Supervisor  
 Worker  
 Limited Management Planner  
 Limited Project Designer

**Athletic Training:**

Athletic Trainer

**Audiology/Speech-Language Pathology:**

Audiologist  
 Communication Assistant  
 Speech-Language Pathologist

**Chiropractic:**

Chiropractor

**Emergency Medical Care Workers:**

Advanced Emergency Medical Technician  
 Certified Emergency Medical Responder  
 Certified Emergency Medical Technician  
 Emergency Medical Technician Instructor  
 Emergency Medical Technician -  
 Intermediate  
 Paramedic

**Environmental Health Specialist:**

Environmental Health Specialist

**Hearing Aid Instrument Dispensing and Fitting:**

Hearing Instrument Specialist

**Lead:**

Worker  
 Inspector  
 Risk Assessor  
 Project Designer  
 Supervisor  
 Visual Lead Hazard Advisor  
 Elevated Blood Lead Level Investigator

**Occupational Therapy:**

Occupational Therapist  
 Occupational Therapist Assistant

**Physical Therapy:**

Physical Therapist  
 Physical Therapy Assistant

**Radon:**

Radon Measurement Specialist  
 Radon Mitigation Specialist

**Respiratory Care:**

Respiratory Care Practitioner

**Swimming Pool Operator****Water Operator:**

Grades 1-4  
 Grade 5  
 Grade 6

**Well Drillers:**

Natural Resource Ground Water Technician  
 Pump Installation Contractor  
 Pump Installation Supervisor  
 Water Well Monitoring Supervisor  
 Water Well Monitoring Technician  
 Well Drilling Contractor  
 Well Drilling Supervisor  
 Well Drilling/Pump Installation Contractor  
 Well Drilling/Pump Installation Supervisor  
 Well Drilling Contractor/Water Well  
 Monitor Supervisor  
 Well Drilling Supervisor/Water Well  
 Monitor Supervisor

*Professions and Occupations Licensed, Certified and/ or Registered (Cont'd.)*

## Credentialed Facilities, Services and Programs

**Adult Day Services****Assisted Living Facilities****Body Art:**

Body Art Facility

**Child Care Facilities:**Family Home I's  
Family Home II's  
Child Care Centers  
Preschools**Community Mental Health Centers****Comprehensive Outpatient Rehabilitation Facility****Cosmetology Establishments:**Apprentice Training Salons  
Cosmetology Salons  
Cosmetology Schools  
Home Services  
Satellite Classrooms**Developmental Disabilities:**Centers for Developmental Disabilities  
Developmentally Disabled Waivered Providers  
Home and Community-Based Waiver for Developmentally Disabled**Intermediate Care Facilities for the Mentally Retarded****Electrology Facilities:**

Electrology Schools

**Emergency Medical Services:**Advanced Life Support Service  
Basic Life Support Service  
EMT Training Agencies**End Stage Renal Disease Services****Esthetician Establishments:**Esthetic Salons  
School of Esthetics**Federally Qualified Health Centers****Funeral Establishments:**Funeral Establishment  
Branch Establishments  
Crematories**Health Clinics:**Abortion Clinics  
Ambulatory Surgical Centers  
Public Health Clinics**Home Health Agencies****Hospices****Hospitals:**Critical Access  
General Acute  
Long-Term Care  
Psychiatric  
Rehabilitation**Laboratories****Massage Therapy Establishments:**Massage Therapy Establishments  
Massage Therapy Schools**Mental Health Centers:**

In-Patient

**Nail Technology Establishments:**Nail Technology Salons  
Nail Technology Schools**Nursing Homes****Organ Procurement Organizations****Pharmacy Facilities:**Community Pharmacies  
Delegated Dispensing Permit  
Mail-Order Ophthalmic Providers  
Mail Service Pharmacy Permit  
Wholesale Drug Distributor**Psychiatric Residential Treatment Facilities****Rehabilitation Agencies:**Certified Occupational Rehabilitation Facilities  
Occupational Therapy  
Out-Patient Physical Therapy  
Speech Therapy**Respite Care Services****Rural Health Clinics****Substance Abuse Treatment Centers:**In-Patient  
Out-Patient**Veterinary Medicine:**

Veterinary Drug Distributor

**X-ray Units - Portable**

*Board of Advanced Practice Registered Nurses***Statutory Reference: 38-205**

<b>Member</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
George M. Adam, Hastings.....	Physician.....	Nov. 30, 2015
Brenda Kay Bergman-Evans, Omaha.....	Nurse Practitioner.....	Nov. 30, 2014
Diane K. Hansmeyer, Hallam.....	Public Member.....	Nov. 30, 2016
Stephen B. Jackson, Omaha.....	Public Member.....	Nov. 30, 2015
Michelle S. Knolla, Elkhorn.....	Physician.....	Nov. 30, 2016
Marilyn K. Lowe, Omaha.....	Midwife.....	Nov. 30, 2017
Arthur F. Molner, Lincoln.....	Physician.....	Nov. 30, 2014
Ruth Van Gerpen, Lincoln.....	Clinical Nurse Specialist.....	Nov. 30, 2015
Steven R. Wooden, Albion.....	Anesthetist.....	Nov. 30, 2016

*Board of Alcohol and Drug Counseling***Statutory Reference: 38-167**

<b>Member</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Frank L. Bailey, III, Omaha.....	Alcohol and Drug Counselor.....	Nov. 30, 2016
Christine L. Chasek, Hildreth.....	Alcohol and Drug Counselor.....	Nov. 30, 2017
Jason C. Conrad, Lincoln.....	Alcohol and Drug Counselor.....	Nov. 30, 2015
Chrisella C. Lewis, Alma.....	Public Member.....	Nov. 30, 2014
William O. Mulligan, Valentine.....	Public Member.....	Nov. 30, 2015
Alfredo Ramirez, Norfolk.....	Alcohol and Drug Counselor.....	Nov. 30, 2017
Natasha A. Robinson, Boys Town.....	Psychiatrist.....	Nov. 30, 2013
Marlene A. Schneider, Omaha.....	Alcohol and Drug Counselor.....	Nov. 30, 2018
Barry W. Walker, Omaha.....	Alcohol and Drug Counselor.....	Nov. 30, 2014

*Board of Athletic Training***Statutory Reference: 38-167**

<b>Member</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Kurt R. Behrhorst, Lincoln.....	Athletic Trainer.....	Nov. 30, 2016
Chad M. Kinart, Omaha.....	Athletic Trainer.....	Nov. 30, 2015
Lisa Moore, Omaha.....	Athletic Trainer.....	Nov. 30, 2014
Timothy R. Wacker, Lincoln.....	Public Member.....	Nov. 30, 2016

*Board of Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology***Statutory Reference: 38-167**

<b>Member</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Ron Busch, Lincoln.....	Public Member.....	Nov. 30, 2014
Jill L. Champley, Omaha.....	Speech-Language Pathologist.....	Nov. 30, 2015
Craig A. Foss, Grand Island.....	Audiologist.....	Nov. 30, 2014
Jana M. Green, Minden.....	Speech-Language Pathologist.....	Nov. 30, 2014
Ryan W. McCreery, Omaha.....	Audiologist.....	Nov. 30, 2015

*Board of Chiropractic***Statutory Reference: 38-167**

<b>Member</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
David W. Lauer, Lincoln.....	Chiropractor.....	Nov. 30, 2016
Laura Ann Scholl, Lincoln.....	Public Member.....	Nov. 30, 2014
Doug Vander Broek, Lincoln.....	Chiropractor.....	Nov. 30, 2014
Mark G. Wurth, Omaha.....	Chiropractor.....	Nov. 30, 2015

*Board of Cosmetology, Electrology, Esthetics, Nail Technology and Body Art***Statutory Reference: 38-167**

<b>Member</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Bridget S. Anderson, Lincoln.....	Public Member.....	Nov. 30, 2015
Mary Brennan, Omaha.....	Electrologist.....	Nov. 30, 2014
Nancy Bumann, Lincoln.....	Licensed Instructor.....	Nov. 30, 2014
Vicki R. Criswell, Plattsmouth.....	Esthetician.....	Nov. 30, 2017
Lyra J. Faltys, Howells.....	Cosmetologist.....	Nov. 30, 2013
Melanie Judkins, Omaha.....	Body Art Practitioner.....	Nov. 30, 2015
Jason P. Lassek, Omaha.....	Cosmetologist.....	Nov. 30, 2015
Ruth J. Lucas, McCook.....	School Owner.....	Nov. 30, 2016
David M. Newsom, Omaha.....	Cosmetologist.....	Nov. 30, 2017
Marie Frances Nordboe, Ames.....	Cosmetologist/Salon Owner.....	Nov. 30, 2015
Becky Pettigrew, Valentine.....	Nail Technician.....	Nov. 30, 2014
Lisa L. Pfeil, St. Paul.....	Public Member.....	Nov. 30, 2017

*Board of Dentistry***Statutory Reference: 38-167**

<b>Member</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Dennis M. Anderson, Omaha.....	Dentist.....	Nov. 30, 2016
Charles D. Bauer, Hastings.....	Dentist.....	Nov. 30, 2014
David Blaha, Lincoln.....	Dentist.....	Nov. 30, 2014
Cynthia Gaskill, Aurora.....	Dental Hygienist.....	Nov. 30, 2014
Robert Mark Hinrichs, Lincoln.....	Dentist.....	Nov. 30, 2015
Judith Kissell, Omaha.....	Public Member.....	Nov. 30, 2014
Jane I. Lott, York.....	Dental Hygienist.....	Nov. 30, 2014
Joan E. Sivers, Lincoln.....	Dental School Faculty.....	Nov. 30, 2015
Mary C. Sneckenberg, Lincoln.....	Public Member.....	Nov. 30, 2014
Terrence M. Wilwerding, Omaha.....	Dental School Faculty.....	Nov. 30, 2016

*Board of Emergency Medical Services***Statutory Reference: 38-1215**

<b>Member</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Gary (Randy) Boldt, Omaha.....	First Responder.....	Dec. 1, 2017
John Bonta, Lincoln.....	Board-Certified Emergency Physician.....	Dec. 1, 2017
Karen Bowlin, Ogallala.....	Approved Training Agency Representative.....	Dec. 1, 2017
Joel E. Cerny, Schuyler.....	First Responder.....	Dec. 1, 2016
Thomas J. Deegan, Omaha.....	Physician.....	Dec. 1, 2016
Ann F. Fiala, Ainsworth.....	Emergency Medical Technician.....	Dec. 1, 2017
Donald Harmon, Beatrice.....	Physician Assistant.....	Dec. 1, 2018
Judith Henning, Crete.....	Consumer.....	Dec. 1, 2018
Troy Hiemer, Columbus.....	Emergency Medical Technician.....	Dec. 1, 2018
Timothy Hoffman, Kearney.....	EMT-Paramedic.....	Dec. 1, 2018
Linda Lee Jensen, Omaha.....	Registered Nurse.....	Dec. 1, 2016
Charles A. LaFollette, Lincoln.....	Member At Large.....	Dec. 1, 2018
Michael Miller, Omaha.....	Member At Large.....	Dec. 1, 2017
Carl L. Rennerfeldt, Blair.....	Emergency Medical Technician.....	Dec. 1, 2016
James E. Smith, North Platte.....	Board-Certified Emergency Physician.....	Dec. 1, 2016
Scott C. Wiebe, Lincoln.....	Emergency Medical Technician.....	Dec. 1, 2016

*Board of Funeral Directing and Embalming***Statutory Reference: 38-167**

<b>Member</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Randal Ray Bangert, Lincoln.....	Public Member.....	Nov. 30, 2015
Steven C. Brunken, Lincoln.....	Funeral Director/Embalmer .....	Nov. 30, 2016
Terrence G. Kucera, Omaha .....	Funeral Director/Embalmer .....	Nov. 30, 2014
John R. Rice, Genoa .....	Funeral Director/Embalmer .....	Nov. 30, 2015

*Board of Hearing Instrument Specialists***Statutory Reference: 38-1508**

<b>Member</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Marc A. Brennan, Omaha.....	Audiologist.....	Nov. 30, 2018
Misti Lutt-Chimel, Grand Island.....	Hearing Instrument Specialist .....	Nov. 30, 2018
Sandra K. Miller, Lincoln.....	Hearing Instrument Specialist .....	Nov. 30, 2016
Michael (Mick) P. Pierce, Lincoln .....	Public Member.....	Nov. 30, 2015
Britt A. Thedinger, Omaha.....	Otolaryngologist.....	Nov. 30, 2016
Sam L. White, North Platte.....	Hearing Instrument Specialist .....	Nov. 30, 2014

*Board of Massage Therapy***Statutory Reference: 38-167**

<b>Member</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Brian T. Allison, Omaha .....	Public Member.....	Nov. 30, 2018
Keli A. Hupka, Lincoln.....	Massage Therapist .....	Nov. 30, 2016
Kimberly Adams Johnson, Lincoln.....	Massage Therapist .....	Nov. 30, 2018
Adele K. Schmidt, Columbus.....	Massage Therapist .....	Nov. 30, 2016

*Board of Medical Nutrition Therapy***Statutory Reference: 38-167**

<b>Member</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Christina Fernandez, Omaha.....	Physician.....	Nov. 30, 2018
Jean Guest, Lincoln.....	Medical Nutrition Therapist .....	Nov. 30, 2015
Toni J. Kuehneman, Papillion.....	Medical Nutrition Therapist .....	Nov. 30, 2014
William P. Moore, Nebraska City.....	Public Member.....	Nov. 30, 2015
Paula Ritter-Gooder, Seward.....	Medical Nutrition Therapist .....	Nov. 30, 2014

*Board of Medical Radiography***Statutory Reference: 38-167**

<b>Member</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Brandon D. Holt, Lincoln.....	Radiographer.....	Nov. 30, 2015
Denise E. Logan, Lincoln.....	Radiographer.....	Nov. 30, 2017
Michael Shane McFeely, Scottsbluff .....	Radiographer.....	Nov. 30, 2016
Francine Oran, Lincoln.....	Limited Radiographer.....	Nov. 30, 2018
James B. Temme, Omaha.....	Radiographer.....	Nov. 30, 2014

*Board of Medicine and Surgery***Statutory Reference: 38-167**

<b>Member</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Michael J. Bittles, West Point.....	Physician .....	Nov. 30, 2014
Mark O. Goodman, Omaha .....	Medical School Faculty.....	Nov. 30, 2016
Merle J. Henkenius, Lincoln.....	Public Member .....	Nov. 30, 2014
Karen M. Higgins, Grand Island.....	Physician.....	Nov. 30, 2017
Jeffrey L. Howorth, Omaha.....	Public Member .....	Nov. 30, 2014

Vonn E. Roberts, Lincoln.....	Physician.....	Nov. 30, 2015
Judith A. Scott, Omaha.....	Osteopathic Physician.....	Nov. 30, 2018
Carl V. Smith, Omaha.....	Medical School Faculty.....	Nov. 30, 2018

*Board of Mental Health Practice*

**Statutory Reference: 38-167**

<b>Member</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Dale G. Battleson, Omaha.....	Certified Marriage and Family Therapist.....	Nov. 30, 2014
Susan Feyen, Omaha.....	Certified Master Social Worker.....	Nov. 30, 2016
William D. Gaughan, Omaha.....	Public Member.....	Nov. 30, 2018
Michael F. Kinney, Omaha.....	Public Member.....	Nov. 30, 2014
Thomas Z. Maxson, Kearney.....	Licensed Mental Health Practitioner.....	Nov. 30, 2015
Susan D. Meyerle, Lincoln.....	Licensed Mental Health Practitioner.....	Nov. 30, 2015
Allison M.J. Reisbig, Lincoln.....	Certified Marriage and Family Therapist.....	Nov. 30, 2018
Sarita (Sarah) L. Ruma, Omaha.....	Certified Professional Counselor.....	Nov. 30, 2016
Shari L. Schnuelle, Grand Island.....	Certified Professional Counselor.....	Nov. 30, 2018

*Nebraska Center for Nursing Board*

**Statutory Reference: 71-1799**

<b>Member</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Kathryn Bowman, Central City.....	Hospital Industry.....	June 21, 2017
Liane M. Connelly, Norfolk.....	Board of Regents Designee.....	June 21, 2015
Carman R. DeMare, Omaha.....	State Board of Health Designee.....	June 21, 2015
Kayleen Dudley, Lincoln.....	Governor Designee.....	June 21, 2017
Cheryl K. Echtenkamp, Kearney.....	Governor Designee.....	June 21, 2017
Nick Faustman, Lincoln.....	Governor Designee.....	June 21, 2016
Cindy J. Hadenfeldt, Hastings.....	State Board of Health Designee.....	June 21, 2015
Diane L. Hoffmann, North Platte.....	Nurse Educator.....	June 21, 2014
Alice Kindschuh, Omaha.....	State Board of Health Designee.....	June 21, 2015
Anna J. May, Omaha.....	Governor Designee.....	June 21, 2016
Aubray D. Orduna, Omaha.....	Nurse Educator.....	June 21, 2016
Linda R. Stones, Lincoln.....	Governor Designee.....	June 21, 2016
Lisa A. Walters, Norfolk.....	Governor Designee.....	June 21, 2017
Mary J. Wendl, Omaha.....	Registered Nurse.....	June 21, 2014

*Board of Nursing*

**Statutory Reference: 38-2213**

<b>Member</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Janet Andrew, Auburn.....	Practical Nurse.....	Nov. 30, 2015
Jane E. Carmody, Omaha.....	Nursing Service Administrator.....	Nov. 30, 2016
Maxine M. Guy, Omaha.....	Practical Nurse.....	Nov. 30, 2018
Kelley A. Hasenauer, North Platte.....	Registered Nurse Advanced Practice.....	Nov. 30, 2016
Crystal R. Higgins, Beatrice.....	Practical Nurse Educator.....	Nov. 30, 2014
Wendy J. Kallhoff, Columbus.....	Staff Nurse.....	Nov. 30, 2015
Anthony A. LaRiche, Jr., Lincoln.....	Public Member.....	Nov. 30, 2018
Linda L. Lazure, Omaha.....	Baccalaureate Nurse Educator.....	Nov. 30, 2015

Karen Weidner, Norfolk .....	Associate Degree or Diploma	
	Nurse Educator .....	Nov. 30, 2014
Kathryn D. Yost, Gering .....	Staff Nurse .....	Nov. 30, 2014

*Board of Nursing Home Administration*

**Statutory Reference: 38-2406**

<b>Member</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Scott A. Bahe, Gothenburg .....	Proprietary Home .....	Nov. 30, 2014
Amy M. Fish, Lincoln .....	Proprietary Home .....	Nov. 30, 2015
Renea B. Gernant, Seward .....	College Faculty .....	Nov. 30, 2014
Kathryn M. Hajj, Lincoln .....	Physician .....	Nov. 30, 2018
Karen E. Jones, Lincoln .....	Public Member .....	Nov. 30, 2015
Kevin L. Moriarty, Holdrege .....	Nonprofit Home .....	Nov. 30, 2014
C. Dean Schmid, Albion .....	Public Member .....	Nov. 30, 2018
Debra L. Sutton, Endicott .....	Nurse .....	Nov. 30, 2018
Alex Willford, Grand Island .....	Nonprofit Home .....	Jan. 1, 2015

*Board of Occupational Therapy Practice*

**Statutory Reference: 38-2515**

<b>Member</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Lisa M. Anderson, Lincoln .....	Occupational Therapist .....	Nov. 30, 2017
R. McLaran Sawyer, Lincoln .....	Public Member .....	Nov. 30, 2015
Linda M. Storz, Lincoln .....	Occupational Therapist .....	Nov. 30, 2018
Mary M. Walsh-Sterup, Grand Island .....	Occupational Therapist .....	Nov. 30, 2016

*Board of Optometry*

**Statutory Reference: 38-167**

<b>Member</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Kim Ashbrook Baxter, North Platte .....	Optometrist .....	Nov. 30, 2016
Michael J. O'Hara, Omaha .....	Public Member .....	Nov. 30, 2014
Jeffrey W. Pape, Norfolk .....	Optometrist .....	Nov. 30, 2015
Robert S. Vandervort, Omaha .....	Optometrist .....	Nov. 30, 2014

*Board of Pharmacy*

**Statutory Reference: 38-167**

<b>Member</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Patty Gollner, Hastings .....	Pharmacist .....	Nov. 30, 2014
Jennifer M. King, Omaha .....	Pharmacist .....	Nov. 30, 2018
Michael Losee, Lincoln .....	Public Member .....	Nov. 30, 2016
Robert Paul Marshall, Norfolk .....	Pharmacist .....	Nov. 30, 2016
Kenneth L. Saunders, Omaha .....	Pharmacist .....	Nov. 30, 2015

*Board of Physical Therapy*

**Statutory Reference: 38-167**

<b>Member</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Scott D. Edwards, Scottsbluff .....	Physical Therapist .....	Nov. 30, 2015
Natalie S. Harms, Papillion .....	Physical Therapist .....	Nov. 30, 2016
Rachel Reiman, Omaha .....	Physical Therapist .....	Nov. 30, 2014
Thomas C. Victor, Omaha .....	Public Member .....	Nov. 30, 2014

*Board of Podiatry*

**Statutory Reference: 38-167**

<b>Member</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Beverly A. Bornschlegl, York .....	Public Member.....	Nov. 30, 2014
Scott C. Nelson, Omaha .....	Podiatrist .....	Nov. 30, 2016
Richard J. Raska, North Platte.....	Podiatrist.....	Nov. 30, 2014
Torrey B. Rassfeld, Lincoln .....	Podiatrist.....	Nov. 30, 2015

*Board of Psychology*

**Statutory Reference: 38-167**

<b>Member</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
David S. Carver, Omaha .....	Psychologist.....	Nov. 30, 2016
John Joseph Curran, Norfolk.....	Psychologist.....	Nov. 30, 2015
Todd Mulliner, Lincoln .....	Public Member.....	Nov. 30, 2014
Christy A. Rentmeester, Omaha .....	Public Member.....	Nov. 30, 2014
Jerry A. Van Winkle, Kearney .....	Psychologist.....	Nov. 30, 2018
Lori L. Wall, Lincoln.....	Psychologist.....	Nov. 30, 2014
Mark E. Weilage, Lincoln.....	Psychologist.....	Nov. 30, 2017

*Board of Registered Environmental Health Specialists*

**Statutory Reference: 38-167**

<b>Member</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Raymond Chollet, Lincoln.....	Public Member.....	Nov. 30, 2014
Michael S. Gould, North Platte.....	Environmental Health Specialist.....	Nov. 30, 2014
George H. Hanssen, Lincoln .....	Environmental Health Specialist.....	Nov. 30, 2018
Scott E. Holmes, Lincoln.....	Environmental Health Specialist.....	Nov. 30, 2018
Joyce L. Jensen, Lincoln .....	Environmental Health Specialist.....	Nov. 30, 2018

*Board of Respiratory Care Practice*

**Statutory Reference: 38-167**

<b>Member</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Frank M. Freihaut, Omaha .....	Respiratory Care Practitioner .....	Nov. 30, 2015
Teresa M. Hawk, Chadron.....	Public Member.....	Nov. 30, 2016
John Andrew Jarosz, Omaha.....	Respiratory Care Practitioner .....	Nov. 30, 2016
William “Bill” Johnson, Lincoln.....	Physician .....	Nov. 30, 2014

*Board of Veterinary Medicine and Surgery*

**Statutory Reference: 38-167**

<b>Member</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Paul Foy, Ogallala .....	Veterinarian .....	Nov. 30, 2016
Micah R. Kohles, Palmyra.....	Veterinarian .....	Nov. 30, 2015
Nanci Ann Kyhn, Lincoln .....	Veterinary Technician .....	Nov. 30, 2016
Gail L. Miller, York .....	Public Member.....	Nov. 30, 2014
James Unwin, Oakland.....	Veterinarian .....	Nov. 30, 2014

*Nursing Home Advisory Council*

**Statutory Reference: 38-167**

<b>Member</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Vicki L. Adolf, Papillion.....	Registered Nurse .....	Aug. 1, 2013
Kelli L. Coover, Omaha .....	Pharmacist .....	Aug. 1, 2012
Kay A. Einspahr, Arcadia .....	Nursing Home Administrator.....	Aug. 1, 2014
Edward Finan, Omaha .....	Public Member.....	Aug. 1, 2011

Pamela Griffin, North Bend.....	Nursing Home Administrator.....	Aug. 1, 2011
Marilyn Larson, Waverly.....	Public Member.....	Aug. 1, 2012
Thomas Magnuson, Omaha.....	Physician and Surgeon.....	Aug. 1, 2013
Patricia A. Moeller, Pierce.....	State or Local Government.....	Aug. 1, 2013
Raymond L. Norris, Osceola.....	Public Member.....	Aug. 1, 2010
Jama L. Obermiller, Grand Island.....	Dentist.....	Aug. 1, 2010
Karen R. Page, Adams.....	Public Member.....	Aug. 1, 2013
Tom Ryan, Lincoln.....	Health and Human Services.....	Jan. 1, 2015
Robert Semerena, Lincoln.....	Health and Human Services.....	Jan. 1, 2015
Blaine Shaffer, Lincoln.....	Health and Human Services.....	Jan. 1, 2015
John Turner, Papillion.....	Nursing Home Administrator.....	Aug. 1, 2011
Kari Wockenfuss, Weeping Water.....	Nursing Home Administrator.....	Aug. 1, 2012

*Physician Assistant Committee*

**Statutory Reference:** 38-167

<b>Member</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Tom Bassett, Lincoln.....	Public Member.....	Nov. 30, 2014
Michael J. Bittles, West Point.....	Medical Board Member.....	Nov. 30, 2016
John W. Davies, Pilger.....	Physician Assistant.....	Nov. 30, 2016
David Hoelting, Pender.....	Supervising Physician.....	Nov. 30, 2014
Paul Shellabarger, Cambridge.....	Physician Assistant.....	Nov. 30, 2014

*Perfusionist Committee*

**Statutory Reference:** 38-2712

<b>Member</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
John T. Batter, Omaha.....	Physician.....	Nov. 30, 2016
Benjamin L. Greenfield, Hickman.....	Perfusionist.....	Nov. 30, 2017
Jeanne A. Schinstock, Omaha.....	Perfusionist.....	Nov. 30, 2015

*State Board of Health*

**Statutory Reference:** 71-2601

The State Board of Health, created by the Legislature in 1891, appoints members to 24 healthcare professional licensing boards and actively recruits applicants. The board reviews initial credentialing and scope of practice changes of health professionals prior to final consideration by the Legislature, which is known as the 407 Process Credentialing Review. They also review rules and regulations.

The State Board of Health views public health as a major initiative and has a recognition program for community preventive health efforts. The board continues to research other issues including alcohol and tobacco use and cessation, indoor air quality, youth violence, obesity, school bus seatbelt use and mental health services.

The board prepares an annual report to the governor, which is also available to senators on the Legislature's Health and Human Services Committee, DHHS, the 24 healthcare professional boards, major healthcare professional associations and other interested parties. The board has representatives assigned to the Nebraska Center for Nursing Board, the implementation committee for the Nebraska Credentialing Reform 2000 and Credentialing Review Technical Review Committees.

The board's four standing committees are: Rules and Regulations, Credentialing Review, Professional Boards and Public Health, Education and Legislation. The board holds one of its regular public meetings in a location other than Lincoln and conducts

separate meetings to interview professional board applicants and address legislative issues.

The board’s 17 members are appointed by the governor, with approval from the Legislature, to five-year terms. Members include two medical doctors, two nurses, a hospital administrator, a dentist, a veterinarian, a professional engineer, a pharmacist, an optometrist, a podiatrist, an osteopath or osteopathic surgeon, a chiropractor, a physical therapist, a mental health professional and two people representing the public. The governor serves as an ex officio member, with voting power only in case of tie. The board elects officers annually.

Member	Position	Term Expires
Kevin Borchert, Omaha	Pharmacist	Aug 1, 2019
Janet Coleman, Lincoln	Public Member	Aug 1, 2015
Shane Fleming, Columbus	Nurse	Aug 1, 2019
Russell Hopp, Omaha	Medical Doctor	Aug 1, 2019
Diane Jackson, Franklin	Nurse	Aug 1, 2015
Teresa Konda, Omaha	Professional Engineer	Aug 1, 2018
Dale Michels, Lincoln	Medical Doctor	Aug 1, 2015
Anthony Moravec, Wahoo	Veterinarian	Aug 1, 2018
Debra Parsow, Omaha	Public Member	Aug 1, 2015
Roger Reamer, Seward	Hospital Administrator	Aug 1, 2015
Paul Salansky, Nebraska City	Optometrist	Aug 1, 2018
Heidi J. Stark, Lincoln	Dentist	Aug 1, 2019
Wayne Stuberger, Omaha	Physical Therapist	Aug 1, 2015
Travis James Teetor, Omaha	Physician	Aug 1, 2019
Joshua Vest, Lincoln	Podiatrist	Aug 1, 2018
Jeromy Warner, Hastings	Clinical Psychologist	Aug 1, 2018
Daryl Wills, Gering	Chiropractor	Aug 1, 2015
Pete Ricketts, Lincoln/Omaha	Governor	Ex Officio

**Division of Veterans’ Homes**

**Contact Person:** John Hilgert, Division Director, 301 Centennial Mall South, P.O. Box 95026, Lincoln, NE 68509, email address [john.hilgert@nebraska.gov](mailto:john.hilgert@nebraska.gov)

The Division of Veterans’ Homes administers the State’s four Veterans’ Homes in Bellevue, Grand Island, Norfolk, and Scottsbluff.

**Grand Island Veterans’ Home:** Alex Willford, Administrator, 2300 W. Capital Ave., Grand Island, NE 68803-2097, phone (308) 385-6252, email address — [alex.willford@nebraska.gov](mailto:alex.willford@nebraska.gov)

**Norfolk Veterans’ Home:** Jerry Eisenhauer, Administrator, 600 E. Benjamin Ave., Norfolk, NE 68701-0830, phone (402) 370-3330, email address — [jerry.eisenhauer@nebraska.gov](mailto:jerry.eisenhauer@nebraska.gov)

**Eastern Nebraska Veterans’ Home:** Jeff Smith, Administrator, 12505 S. 40th Street, Bellevue, NE 68123, phone (402) 595-2180, email address — [jeffrey.a.smith@nebraska.gov](mailto:jeffrey.a.smith@nebraska.gov)

**Western Nebraska Veterans’ Home:** Lonnie Starke, Administrator, 1102 W. 42nd St., Scottsbluff, NE 69361-4939, phone (308) 632-0300, email address — [lonnie.starke@nebraska.gov](mailto:lonnie.starke@nebraska.gov)

**Statutory References:** 80-314, 80-315 and 83-107.01

DHHS operates four veterans' homes. To live in one of these facilities, veterans must have served in active duty during the war, lived in Nebraska at least two years and be disabled. Disability qualifications include injury during service, old age, inability to earn a livelihood, whole or partial dependence on public assistance or requiring care available only at a state facility. Spouses of veterans and Gold Star Mothers and Fathers are eligible under similar requirements.

The focus of the veterans' homes is on wellness, allowing people to live their lives to the fullest through different levels of care: domiciliary, intermediate and skilled. The homes provide specialized services such as physical therapy and a wide range of recreational and religious services. The homes have a supportive relationship with various veterans' organizations whose members donate time, money and companionship to the people living there.

## Department of Insurance

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**Director:** Bruce Ramage

**Statutory Reference:** 81-101

**Publications:** *Summary of Insurance Business in Nebraska*

The Department of Insurance is the primary financial solvency regulator for all Nebraska domestic insurers and the market regulator for insurance transactions in Nebraska.

The department enforces statutes and regulations to ensure compliance by individuals and entities subject to the department's jurisdiction; analyzes and drafts appropriate legislation, regulations, bulletins and administrative orders; researches and interprets statutes, case law, regulations and other legal precedents and renders advice to other divisions; represents the department at administrative hearings, legislative hearings and other meetings; and acts as liaison to the attorney general's office regarding pending litigation.

As market regulator of all insurance transactions that take place in Nebraska, the department annually reviews an average of 2,200 various life and health filings. In addition, the department administers licenses for approximately 77,800 producers. The department regulates the performance of insurance transactions by investigating the activities of insurers, such as claims handling, compliance monitoring and insurance producer oversight.

Another major responsibility of the department includes the collection of premium tax and associated retaliatory taxes, fire marshal tax and various renewal fees, and the audit and collection of premium and fire marshal tax for surplus and excess lines. Annually, the department collects approximately \$78.2 million for distribution to the State of Nebraska.

The department investigates referred cases of suspected insurance fraud and educates insurance company and law enforcement personnel on fraud indicators. The department also conducts significant outreach through the Senior Health Insurance Information Program (SHIIP), a federally funded program that informs and advises older Nebraskans regarding Medicare, Medicaid and health insurance. Nebraska's program has consistently ranked in the top five of all SHIIP programs nationwide.

The 1976 Legislature adopted the Nebraska Hospital Medical-Liability Act (Statutory Reference: 44-2829) as an alternative way to address medical professional liability claims. The law ensures the availability of professional liability insurance for health care providers to encourage the availability of health care to Nebraskans. The department collects premiums and qualifies health care providers that seek Excess Liability Fund or Residual Malpractice Insurance Authority coverage. Once health care providers are qualified under the act, the department resolves medical professional liability claims made under the act.

The first complete insurance code in Nebraska, enacted in 1913, provided for an insurance board to administer the code. Before 1913, the territorial auditor and later the state auditor issued certificates to insurance companies and exercised some powers in investigating and inspecting those companies.

The duties of the Insurance Board were given to the Bureau of Insurance in the Department of Trade and Commerce in 1919. In 1933, the bureau became the Department of Insurance. In 1947, the Legislature passed laws that updated the 1913 code.

## Department of Labor

**Office Address:** 550 S. 16th St., P.O. Box 94600, Lincoln, NE 68509-4600, phone (402) 471-9000, fax (402) 471-2318, website — [www.dol.nebraska.gov](http://www.dol.nebraska.gov)

**Commissioner:** John H. Albin

**Statutory Reference:** 81-101

**Publications:** *Annual Report*

The Nebraska Department of Labor (NDOL) strengthens Nebraska's economy by supporting the economic stability of its employers and the quality of its workforce. The NDOL prepares Nebraskans to prosper through responsive workforce services that connect high-growth, high-demand industries to educated and skilled workers through a service delivery network of public and private partners.

The NDOL is organized into eight divisions: the Commissioner of Labor, General Counsel, Administrative Services, Financial Services, Employment and Training, Unemployment Insurance, Labor Market Information and Safety. The department delivers services through one administrative office in Lincoln as well as American Job Centers and NDOL office locations in Alliance, Beatrice, Columbus, Fremont, Grand Island, Hastings, Lexington, Lincoln, Nebraska City, Norfolk, North Platte, Omaha (two locations), Scottsbluff and York.

The commissioner of labor and the NDOL work to:

- cultivate quality workers in quality workplaces through dynamic and collaborative partnerships with employment services, training, education, temporary income continuation, safety-related programs and labor market information
- spur Nebraska's involvement in workforce, education and economic and community development activities
- promote and encourage high-growth and high-wage employment opportunities
- implement all programs and services with integrity, efficiency and consistency

The NDOL provides the framework for a workforce system that:

- meets the needs of businesses by creating a comprehensive, community-based system of building a highly skilled workforce and a competitive state economy
- coordinates workforce development efforts to maximize the effectiveness of programs through workforce investment boards, advisory councils and partnerships with education, private-sector business and local governmental agencies
- matches eligible workers with jobs and provides support services to assist citizens in finding and retaining gainful employment
- administers unemployment tax and compensation programs
- provides universal access to an integrated array of labor market information and employment and training services
- assists employers, employees and the general public through labor standards programs
- conducts inspections as required by law through various safety programs
- provides administrative support to all programs delivered by the department across the state

### *Office of Commissioner*

**Commissioner of Labor:** John H. Albin, 550 S. 16th St., P.O. Box 94600, Lincoln, NE 68509-4600, phone (402) 471-9000, email address — [john.albin@nebraska.gov](mailto:john.albin@nebraska.gov)

The commissioner of labor is the chief executive officer for the Nebraska Department of Labor, appointed by the governor and confirmed by the Legislature. The office is responsible for oversight of all department activities. In addition to the duties prescribed by statute, the commissioner serves on boards, commissions and task force entities as determined by the governor.

The 1887 Legislature created the Bureau of Labor, Census and Industrial Statistics. The governor was named commissioner of labor with office duties performed by a deputy commissioner and other employees. The 1917 Legislature created the office of deputy compensation commissioner, and in 1919 the office's duties were assigned to the secretary of labor. In 1933, the title of the chief deputy was changed to commissioner.

### *Office of General Counsel*

**Director:** John H. Albin, 550 S. 16th St., P.O. Box 94600, Lincoln, NE 68509-4600, phone (402) 471-9912, fax (402) 471-9917, email address — [john.albin@nebraska.gov](mailto:john.albin@nebraska.gov)

The Office of General Counsel provides legal and legislative services to the commissioner, department divisions and agency boards, including:

- legal services for all programs of the NDOL
- hearings on unemployment benefits and tax appeals
- the Benefit Accuracy Measurement (BAM) program, which reviews the payment and denial of unemployment benefits
- programs relating to labor law, contractor registration and employee classification
- the Workforce Investment Act monitoring program

### *Office of Administrative Services*

**Director:** Terri Slone, 550 S. 16th St., P.O. Box 94600, Lincoln, NE 68509-4600, phone (402) 471-8358, fax (402) 471-2318, email address — [terri.slone@nebraska.gov](mailto:terri.slone@nebraska.gov)

**Public Information Officer:** Grace Johnson, phone (402) 471-4189, fax (402) 471-2318, email address — [grace.johnson@nebraska.gov](mailto:grace.johnson@nebraska.gov)

The Office of Administrative Services coordinates and administers the following divisions: Public Information, Information Technology, Human Resources, Procurement and Facilities and Buildings. Administrative Services:

- responds to public inquiries and provides information to the media and public
- delivers services to the public through the use of technology: plans, builds and maintains information systems in a secure environment for agency computing and communications; provides development, planning, project management, reporting, end user and network support; manages IT assets, contracts, licensing and purchasing of IT goods and services; aligns fiscal resources with agency technology requirements
- provides support to approximately 350 employees; oversees and manages employee recruitment, retention, classification and compensation, benefits, training, leadership development, performance management, affirmative action, employee equal opportunity, labor relations, equity and diversity, payroll processing, workers' compensation, human resource planning and other employee services
- coordinates the procurement of agency equipment, supplies, goods and services; manages surplus property, records management, property insurance and transportation services; maintains facility plans, building inventory, use records, space plans, construction requests and documentation; coordinates facility lease and custodial agreements
- manages day-to-day facility operations, maintenance, distribution of mail, forms and supplies; provides property management, security and emergency planning; provides administrative services, facilities planning and construction oversight

### *Office of Financial Services*

**Controller/Director:** Debbie Kay Ward, CPA, CTP, 550 S. 16th St., P.O. Box 94600, Lincoln, NE 68509-4600, phone (402) 471-2492, fax (402) 471-8041, email address — [debbiekay.ward@nebraska.gov](mailto:debbiekay.ward@nebraska.gov)

The Office of Financial Services provides services to programs administering numerous federal grants, in addition to cash funded programs and general fund appropriations. The agency's unique cost accounting structure is utilized in conjunction with Enterprise Data for Government Efficiency. A post-issuance funding technique is used for compliance with the Cash Management Act.

The agency's treasury division functions as the cash management system for the department. It is responsible for all revenues collected and all disbursements and expenditures. The management and balances of the respective trusts and bank accounts are under treasury's direction. The treasury ensures that these balances are as cash efficient as possible and also functions as the depositor of taxes collected and disburser of benefits paid under Unemployment Insurance. This disbursement is done under the authority of Nebraska Employment Security Law. The commissioner of labor is charged with maintaining the solvency of Nebraska's account in the Unemployment Trust Fund

held by the United States Treasury in Washington, D.C.

The Office of Financial Services:

- supports, operates and maintains agency financial management systems
- oversees budget preparation, financial reporting, coordination of long-term agency financial needs and preparation and oversight of the Agency Cost Allocation Plan
- administers accounts payable, contracts and grant management
- prepares fiscal impact statements, coordinates and resolves audit procedures and issues
- completes Unemployment Insurance accounting and preparation of the Schedule of Federal Expenditures
- monitors for compliance with federal grant and state statute regulations and rules as well as compliance with generally accepted accounting principles

*Office of Employment and Training*

**Director:** Joan Modrell, 550 S. 16th St., P.O. Box 94600, Lincoln, NE 68509-4600, phone (402) 471-9948, email address — joan.modrell@nebraska.gov

The Office of Employment and Training provides direct services to employers and job seekers statewide through American Job Centers and NDOL locations throughout the state. The office also has grant management and reporting responsibilities for a variety of federal employment and training grants, including:

- Wagner-Peyser Employment and Re-employment services
- Workforce Investment Act statewide administrative activities
- Rapid Response programs and WARN notices
- Trade Adjustment Act programs
- Worker Opportunity Tax Credit and Foreign Labor Certification
- Nebraska Worker Training Program
- State Energy Sector Partnership Grant
- Job-Driven National Emergency Grant
- Greater Nebraska Workforce Investment Act program delivery
- Jobs for Veterans Act programs
- other discretionary grants awarded through the Employment and Training Administration

*Nebraska Workforce Investment Board*

The Nebraska Workforce Investment Board consists of business, labor, community-based organizations, education, higher education, human services, economic development, government and other critical groups from across the state who structure services that will meet the needs of business and workers. The board is appointed by the governor and is a requirement of the Workforce Investment Act. The board has three scheduled meetings per year and committee work is conducted throughout the year.

**Member**

**Represents**

- Joseph Acierno, Lincoln..... Department of Health and Human Services
- John Albin, Lincoln ..... Department of Labor
- Roma Amundson, Walton ..... County Elected Official

Cheryl Anderson, Omaha.....	Business
Dennis Baack, Lincoln.....	Community College
Tammie Beck, Kearney.....	Business
Bradley B. Bird, Blair.....	Labor
Matt Blomstedt, Central City.....	Department of Education
Vanessa Brown, Omaha.....	Business
Brian Deakin, Holdrege.....	Business
Mindy Fisher, North Platte.....	Migrant Seasonal Farm Workers
Matthew Fleischer, Columbus.....	Business
Michael Geary, Omaha.....	Business
Sen. Galen Hadley, Kearney.....	Legislature
Mindy Hansen, North Platte.....	Labor
Jim Hanson, Omaha.....	Business
Brenda Hicks-Sorensen, Lincoln.....	Department of Economic Development
Ron Johns, Gering.....	Youth
M. L. Martin, North Platte.....	Business
John McNally, Lincoln.....	Veterans
Mark Moravec, Grand Island.....	Business
Don Nordell, Lincoln.....	Business
Michelle Olson, Omaha.....	Youth
Mark Ondracek, Blair.....	Labor
Vern Powers, Hastings.....	City Elected Official
Pete Ricketts, Lincoln/Omaha.....	Governor
Terri Ridder, West Point.....	Business
J. Ann Rouch, North Platte.....	Title V Older Worker Program
Bradley Schroeder, Omaha.....	Business
Jennifer Sedlacek, Omaha.....	Business
Becky Stitt, Scottsbluff.....	Business
Carol Swigart, Lincoln.....	Business
Clyde Tyndall, Lincoln.....	Native American Program
Vacant.....	Business
Vacant.....	Business
Vacant.....	Legislature

*Nebraska Worker Training Board*

**Contact Person:** Steve Porr, Coordinator, Nebraska Worker Training Program, 550 S. 16th St., P.O. Box 94600, Lincoln, NE 68509-4600, phone (402) 471-9977, fax (402) 471-2022, email address — [steve.porr@nebraska.gov](mailto:steve.porr@nebraska.gov)

**Statutory Reference:** 48-622.03

The Worker Training Board prepares an annual program plan and develops guidelines for the operation of all training programs financed by the Nebraska Training and Support Trust Fund. The board reports to the governor annually on the activities and performance of the programs financed by the trust fund and serves as an advisory body on all program oversight issues.

The board has six governor-appointed members: three members of the State Advisory Council (a representative of employers, a representative of employees and a representative of the public); the commissioner of labor/director of economic development; the commissioner of education; and a representative of the Nebraska Community College Association. The governor determines terms of office for board members. The governor also designates a chairperson, selected from one of the three council members.

The board meets quarterly. Other meetings are called by the chairperson or at

the request of other board members. Members are paid a daily rate when conducting board business. Program disbursements require the approval of the governor, upon recommendation of the commissioner of labor. The commissioner employs staff to perform duties as the board requires.

Member	Represents	Term Expires
John Albin, Lincoln .....	Department of Labor .....	Jan. 1, 2015
Dennis G. Baack, Lincoln.....	Nebraska Community College Association .....	Jan. 1, 2015
Matt Blomstedt, Central City .....	Department of Education.....	Jan. 1, 2015
John Bourne, Omaha.....	Employees.....	Jan. 1, 2015
Greg Eden, Lincoln .....	Employers .....	Jan. 1, 2015
Brenda Hicks-Sorensen, Lincoln .....	Department of Economic Development .....	Jan. 1, 2015
J. Denise Seaman, Bellevue.....	Public .....	Jan. 1, 2015

### *Office of Unemployment Insurance - Benefits Division*

**Administrator:** Evan Littrell, 500 S. 16th St., P.O. Box 94600, Lincoln, NE 68509-4600, phone (402) 471-2547, fax (402) 471-9868, email address — [evan.littrell@nebraska.gov](mailto:evan.littrell@nebraska.gov)

The Office of Unemployment Insurance - Benefits Division is responsible for administering Unemployment Insurance Benefits Operations per Nebraska Employment Security Law. Responsibilities include processing and payment of benefits to unemployed workers. Located within the benefits operation are several integrity-related programs, including the Benefit Payment Control Unit, which detects and collects both non-fraud and fraudulent overpayments. The unit establishes overpayment and collects by offsetting payable benefits, negotiating repayment agreements, court restitution or state and federal income tax intercepts.

The Internal Security Unit is responsible for monitoring and maintaining unemployment insurance system security. The Tax Performance System monitors the unemployment insurance tax system through systematic tax program reviews, done on a quarterly basis.

Unemployment Insurance programs include:

- intrastate benefit programs involving claims filed in Nebraska where all wages are earned in Nebraska
- interstate benefit programs involving claims filed in one agency state based on wages earned in another liable state
- combined wage benefit programs involving claims filed in Nebraska where wages are earned in more than one state
- federally financed Unemployment Insurance programs, including unemployment compensation for ex-service members and unemployment compensation for federal employees
  - Trade Adjustment Assistance and disaster unemployment assistance programs
  - Emergency Unemployment Compensation programs
  - Additional Training benefits program

### *Office of Unemployment Insurance - Tax Division*

**Administrator:** Chris Nider, 550 S. 16th St., P.O. Box 94600, Lincoln, NE 68509-4600, phone (402) 471-4525, fax (402) 471-9994, email address — [chris.nider@nebraska.gov](mailto:chris.nider@nebraska.gov)

The Office of Unemployment Insurance - Tax Division is responsible for administering the tax and wage systems as described in Nebraska Employment Security Law. The office's duties include:

- determining new employer liability and processing transfers of unemployment insurance accounts
- collecting and processing employer tax and wage reports and delinquent payments of combined tax
- auditing employers to ensure compliance
- investigating allegations of system abuse and enforcing compliance
- resolving employment issues that prevent benefit claim processing

### *Office of Labor Market Information*

**Administrator:** Phil Baker, 550 S. 16th St., P.O. Box 94600, Lincoln, NE 68509-4600, phone (402) 471-2600, fax (402) 471-9867, email address — [phil.baker@nebraska.gov](mailto:phil.baker@nebraska.gov)

The Office of Labor Market Information provides a variety of information products and manages various federal grants.

The office also delivers labor market information, which is the applied science of collecting, analyzing, reporting and publishing economic activities to describe and predict the relationship between labor demand and supply. This data is used to describe a local area's economic picture, which impacts social, fiscal, technological and economic policies, employer hiring and other business decisions, allocation of funds by policy makers, individual career choices, educational programs and the amount of government assistance individuals receive.

The office conducts surveys and uses administrative data gathered through the process of required federal reports and management information used by the agency. Information is collected and disseminated about employment levels and trends, wages and earnings, estimates of labor availability, industrial and occupational projections, business staffing patterns, career planning information, benefits and labor force demographics. Funding for the Office of Labor Market Information comes from federal grants, primarily from the Employment and Training Administration and the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor.

The Employment and Training Administration's Workforce Information Grant requires the Office of Labor Market Information annually to:

- populate the Workforce Information Database with state and local data
- produce and disseminate short-term and long-term industry and occupational projections
- conduct and publish relevant economic analysis, special workforce information and/or studies of economic benefit to the governor and state and local Workforce Information

- post LMI products, information and reports on the department’s website: [www.dol.nebraska.gov](http://www.dol.nebraska.gov)
  - partner and consult on a continuing basis with workforce investment boards and other key workforce and economic development partners and stakeholders
- The Bureau of Labor Statistics requires annual data including:
- current employment statistics - monthly industry employment estimates for the state and Omaha, Lincoln and Grand Island Metropolitan Statistical Areas
  - local area unemployment statistics - monthly unemployment rates for Nebraska, considered a leading economic indicator
  - occupational employment and wage statistics - data from a twice-yearly survey of Nebraska employers that gathers occupation and wage information
  - Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages - data compiled from unemployment insurance tax reports filed with the state, which accounts for approximately 98 percent of Nebraska’s employment

*Office of Safety*

**Acting Director:** Christopher Cantrell, 550 S. 16th St., P.O. Box 94600, Lincoln, NE 68509, phone (402) 471-4721, fax (402) 471-5039, email address — [christopher.cantrell@nebraska.gov](mailto:christopher.cantrell@nebraska.gov)

The Office of Safety administers inspection programs for elevators, amusement rides and boilers. The office also administers the OSHA2ID program, which encourages businesses to provide safe work environments through collaboration between department inspection staff and business owners and managers.

**Boiler Safety Code Advisory Board**

**Statutory Reference:** 48-739

The Boiler Safety Code Advisory Board, created in 1988, holds hearings and advises the commissioner on rules and regulations for testing, constructing and installing equipment covered by the Boiler Inspection Act.

The board has seven governor-appointed members approved by the Legislature for four-year terms. Members represent owners and users of boilers; boiler sellers; craftsmen involved in boiler construction, repair or operation; the insurance industry; licensed professional engineers with boiler experience; public safety interests; and the public. The state boiler inspector is a nonvoting member. The board meets each July. Other meetings may be called by the chairperson or at the request of four other members. Members receive \$50 per day plus reimbursement for expenses.

<b>Member</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Steven Bley, Omaha .....	Boiler Owners/Users .....	Jan. 1, 2019
Charles Cole, Otoe.....	Public .....	Jan. 1, 2017
Kurt Eberspacher, Lincoln.....	Insurance Industry.....	Jan. 1, 2017
Martin D. Kasl, Lincoln .....	Professional Engineer .....	Jan. 1, 2017
Robert Kirkpatrick, Lincoln .....	Construction/Repair Crafts .....	Jan. 1, 2019
Thomas Phipps, Omaha .....	Public Safety .....	Jan. 1, 2019
Kenneth Stewart, Omaha .....	Boiler Seller.....	Jan. 1, 2017
Christopher Cantrell, Lincoln .....	Chief Boiler Inspector.....	Ex Officio

### Conveyance Advisory Committee (Elevators and Amusement Rides)

**Statutory Reference:** 48-2503

The Conveyance Advisory Committee, created in 2007, has seven governor-appointed members approved by the Legislature for three-year terms. Members represent elevator manufacturers, elevator servicing companies, building managers, elevator mechanics and the public. The state elevator inspector and the State Fire Marshal or his or her designee also are members.

The committee meets quarterly, at the call of the chairperson or at the request of two or more members. Members are reimbursed for expenses.

Member	Position	Term Expires
Bret Abels, Papillion	Major Elevator Manufacture	March 30, 2016
Greg Anglim, LaVista	Elevator Mechanics	March 30, 2016
Mike Cimino, Fort Calhoun	Building Manager	March 30, 2015
Gordon Hardle, Lincoln	Public	March 30, 2015
Brad Keehn, Omaha	Elevator Servicing	March 30, 2017
William Mulherin, Omaha	Public	March 30, 2017
Robert Sackett, Omaha	Public	March 30, 2016
Gerald Brown, Omaha	Chief Elevator Inspector	Ex Officio
Jim Heine, Lincoln	State Fire Marshal	Ex Officio

## Nebraska Commission on Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice (Nebraska Crime Commission)

**Office Address:** 301 Centennial Mall South, Fifth Floor, P.O. Box 94946, Lincoln, NE 68509-4946, phone (402) 471-2194, website — [www.ncc.ne.gov](http://www.ncc.ne.gov)

**Executive Director:** Darrell Fisher

**Statutory Reference:** 81-1416

**Publications:** Annual report; annual crime statistics report; criminal justice directory; monthly newsletters; film/video library catalog; biannual law enforcement training schedule

The Governor's Crime Control Commission was created in 1967. The name was changed to the Nebraska Commission on Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice with legislation enacted in 1969 to establish the Crime Commission as a state agency. The Crime Commission was established to develop comprehensive plans and coordinate activities related to the improvement of criminal justice administration among state and local agencies. Since its inception, more statutory responsibilities have been assigned to the commission, which now serves as an umbrella agency for many criminal and juvenile justice programs mandated by state and federal law.

The governing body of the Crime Commission has 18 members, most of whom are appointed by the governor for six-year terms. Statute requires the governor, attorney general, superintendent of the State Patrol, director of the Department of Correctional

Services and chairperson of the Police Standards Advisory Council to be commission members. The commission meets quarterly to review the activities of its committees, take final action in awarding state and federal grant funds, provide oversight of staff activities and conduct other business as required. The commission's five standing committees are the Education, Research and Planning Committee; the Grant Review Committee; the Crime Victim's Reparations Committee (statutory reference: 81-1802); the Data Processing Committee and the Police Standards Advisory Council (statutory reference: 81-1406).

<b>Member</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Candice Batton, Walton .....	Public at Large.....	Dec. 31, 2015
Jeff Davis, Papillion.....	County Sheriff.....	Dec. 31, 2017
Joe Hewgley, North Platte .....	County Commissioner .....	Dec. 31, 2017
Joe Kelly, Lincoln .....	County Attorney .....	Dec. 31, 2017
Timothy Larby, Atkinson.....	Police Standards Advisory Council Chairman .....	Dec. 31, 2015
Ray Norris, Omaha.....	Public at Large.....	Dec. 31, 2019
Donald E. Overman, Scottsbluff .....	Public at Large.....	Dec. 31, 2017
Gerard "Fred" Ruiz, Grand Island.....	Public at Large.....	Dec. 31, 2019
Rita Saunders, Bellevue .....	Mayor .....	Dec. 31, 2017
Michelle Schindler, Lincoln .....	Juvenile Delinquency Control.....	Dec. 31, 2017
Todd Schmaderer, Omaha.....	Police Chief .....	Dec. 31, 2017
Brenda Smith, Omaha.....	Public at Large.....	Dec. 31, 2017
Mike Swain, North Platte.....	Police Chief .....	Dec. 31, 2017
Mark Benne, Columbus .....	Juvenile Justice Coalition .....	Nonexpiring
Scott R. Frakes, Lincoln .....	Director of Correctional Services.....	Nonexpiring
Douglas J. Peterson, Lincoln .....	Attorney General .....	Nonexpiring
Gov. Pete Ricketts, Lincoln/Omaha .....	Governor .....	Nonexpiring
Col. David Sankey, Lincoln.....	Superintendent, State Patrol.....	Nonexpiring

### *Federal and State Aid*

The Crime Commission administers federal and state aid programs in the areas of anti-drug abuse, violent crime, victim assistance, juvenile justice, law enforcement and criminal justice information systems. The commission awards grant funds to eligible programs that address priority issues and foster improvement in Nebraska's criminal and juvenile justice systems. Grant-funded projects are monitored and evaluated, with continuation funding based on each program's success in achieving its goals and objectives. Aid programs administered by the commission include: federal Justice Assistance Grant funds, federal Residential Substance Abuse Treatment Program funds, federal Project Safe Neighborhoods funds, state Crime Stoppers funds, federal and state Victims of Crime Act funds, federal and state Crime Victim's Reparation Act funds, federal Stop Violence Against Women Act funds, federal Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act funds, federal Juvenile Accountability funds, state Juvenile Services Act funds, state Community-Based Juvenile Services Aid funds, federal and state Criminal Justice Information Systems funds and federal discretionary funds.

### *Byrne/Justice Assistance Grant Funds*

Since 1986, the Crime Commission has administered and coordinated federal Justice Assistance (Byrne) funds. Funds have been awarded to state and local programs addressing drug abuse and violent crime, including the state's nine multi jurisdictional task forces that cover 72 of the state's 93 counties, as well as the Nebraska State Patrol's Mid and Upper Level Enforcement (MULE) project. Other funded projects have included drug and violent crime enforcement, offender treatment programs, drug testing, training, prosecution, substance abuse assessments for adult offenders, indigent defense enhancement of the Sexual Offender Registry and a statewide computerized law enforcement intelligence system.

### *Crime Victim Assistance*

Since 1985, the Crime Commission has administered federal and state funds for crime victim assistance programs. These programs provide medical, emotional, financial and legal assistance as well as shelter, support and advocacy to crime victims during a time of crisis.

The Nebraska Crime Victim's Reparations Act, passed in 1979, provides compensation to innocent victims of crime for certain expenses directly related to the criminal act. Victims may be reimbursed up to \$10,000 for medical and \$5,000 for funeral expenses, loss of wages or earning power, counseling fees and residential crime scene cleanup. The commission's executive director serves as a hearing officer for claims received for reimbursement, with the Crime Victim's Reparations Committee responsible for any appeals received regarding the hearing officer's decisions.

In 1995, the commission began administering the federal Stop Violence Against Women Act Formula Block Grant Program. Since the program's inception, grant funds have been awarded to enhance the criminal justice system's response in serving women who have been victims of violence.

In 1999, the commission established a statewide Victim Information and Notification Everyday (VINE) system. The VINE system is a computerized system that automatically notifies victims of crime whenever an offender is released or moved from a jail or prison or transferred to another detention or correctional facility.

### *Juvenile Justice*

The Crime Commission administers state and federal grant funds to juvenile justice and delinquency prevention programs throughout Nebraska and coordinates the development of juvenile justice initiatives and projects. Since 1981, federal Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act funding has been awarded to delinquency prevention and juvenile justice programs, such as shelters, staff secure programs, diversion, detention alternatives, tracker programs, disproportionate minority confinement initiatives, counseling and community-based evaluations. The commission monitors and oversees Nebraska's compliance with the federal act and provides technical assistance and training to criminal and juvenile justice practitioners. The Crime Commission also is responsible for administering Juvenile Accountability Incentive Block Grant Program funds to

state and local programs. The commission also administers the requirements of laws relating to Nebraska Community-Based Juvenile Services Aid, including providing state general funds to communities to develop and provide community-based programs as alternatives to incarceration.

### *Nebraska Law Enforcement Training Center*

**Contact Person:** William Muldoon, Director, Nebraska Law Enforcement Training Center, 3600 N. Academy Road, Grand Island, NE 68801-9403, phone (308) 385-6030

**Statutory Reference:** 81-1402

The Crime Commission has been responsible for the administration and supervision of the Nebraska Law Enforcement Training Center in Grand Island since 1971. In 1994, legislation gave the Police Standards Advisory Council responsibility for training curricula development, establishing required course hours and issuing training certificates. In 2011, legislation gave the executive director of the Crime Commission supervision of the director of training. The center provides mandatory basic and specialized training for law enforcement and detention officers statewide, including continuing education and specialized training programs. Specialized training topics include law enforcement, drug enforcement, highway safety, emergency vehicle operation, firearms, violent crime and homicide investigations and Spanish for law enforcement. Training programs are conducted at the center and throughout the state, with selected courses via the internet. Several institutions of higher learning, such as the University of Nebraska at Kearney, Peru State College, Bellevue University and Northeast Community College, grant college credit for training center coursework.

### *Office of Violence Prevention*

**Contact Person:** Chris Harris

**Statutory Reference:** 81-1447

The 2009 Legislature created the Office of Violence Prevention, which is housed within the Crime Commission. The office's primary responsibility is to help promote, assess and fund statewide violence prevention programs.

The office aids privately funded organizations, local government subdivisions and other advocacy groups in developing proven prevention, intervention, diversion and enforcement programs. In 2013, through a competitive grants process, the office awarded \$350,000 to five separate organizations with a history of success in reducing violent crime. Grant recipients are required to develop goals, objectives and performance indicators and submit quarterly activity reports to the Office of Violence Prevention. Grantees also are required to provide an evaluation report. A portion of the grant funds must be used for a professional evaluator.

A six-member advisory council, appointed by the governor, meets quarterly. The council is required to recommend to the Crime Commission regulations regarding program fundraising, evaluation and coordination and criteria used to assess and award funds to violence prevention programs.

### *Jail and Juvenile Detention Facility Standards*

The Crime Commission's Jail Standards Division annually inspects local jails, temporary holding facilities and juvenile detention facilities for compliance with Nebraska's mandatory standards. The division also provides technical assistance to local jurisdictions in planning, construction and renovation projects, training, operations, management, record systems, policies and procedures and resource development.

### *Crime Statistics, Research and Data Collection*

In 1971, the Crime Commission became responsible for collecting Uniform Crime Reports (UCR) for the Federal Bureau of Investigation. All law enforcement agencies in the state are required by law to submit Uniform Crime Reports detailing the number of crimes reported or known to them and the number of arrests and citations issued on a monthly basis. Crime statistics are compiled by the commission's UCR program and forwarded to the FBI for inclusion in national crime statistics and use by federal, state and local agencies and policy makers. The UCR program publishes preliminary and annual statistical reports. Participating law enforcement agencies receive monthly reports, including a summary of reported data, a trends report for monthly comparisons to the previous year and year-to-date statistics. The UCR program also maintains a central data repository for crimes motivated by hate on the part of the offender as well as domestic assault statistics.

In addition to the UCR program, the commission's Statistical Analysis Center maintains several statewide databases, including the Jail and Juvenile Detention Admission and Release Database, Juvenile Court Database, and Drug and Violent Crime Database, with statistical information compiled and published on a regular basis. Ongoing research is conducted and published. Statistical information and research is available to assist in criminal and juvenile justice initiatives and planning efforts at the local, state and federal levels.

Since 1995, the commission has hosted the Nebraska Criminal Justice Information Systems (CJIS). CJIS is a statewide integrated data system with more than 7,500 users who conduct 6.7 million data searches each year. The CJIS Advisory Committee builds ways for agencies to efficiently and effectively share criminal justice data. The primary purposes of CJIS are to promote the sharing of data among agencies, to implement programs and systems that assist state and local agencies in the performance of their jobs, and to provide a forum to discuss issues.

The commission collects traffic stop data, including the race or ethnicity of the person stopped and the nature of the violation, and issues an annual report.

### *Community Corrections Division*

**Contact Person:** Linda Krutz

**Statutory Reference:** 47-622

The primary mandate of the Community Corrections Division is to support the continued development and implementation of a statewide network of community corrections programs as a means to reduce prison overcrowding. This mandate is part of a collaborative effort involving both criminal justice agencies and community stakehold-

ers. The role of the division in this effort is to evaluate and recommend improvements to existing community corrections programs, improve the data collection and analysis capabilities of community corrections programs and provide objective research and information on community corrections issues to policy-makers, stakeholders and the public.

### *Community-Based Juvenile Services Aid*

**Contact Persons:** Cindy Gans, Amy Hoffman

**Statutory Reference:** 43-2401 to 43-2413

The purpose of the Community-Based Juvenile Services Aid program is to aid in the establishment and provision of community-based services for juveniles who come in contact with the juvenile justice system in accordance with the Juvenile Services Act. The purpose of the Juvenile Services Act is to assist in the provision of appropriate preventive, diversionary and dispositional alternatives for juveniles; to encourage coordination of the elements of the juvenile services system; and to provide an opportunity for local involvement in developing community programs for juveniles so that the following objectives may be obtained:

- preservation of the family unit whenever the best interests of the juvenile are served and such preservation does not place the juvenile at imminent risk
- limitation of intervention to those actions that are necessary and utilize the least restrictive yet most effective and appropriate resources
- encouragement of active family participation in whatever treatment is afforded a juvenile whenever the best interests of the juvenile require it
- treatment in the community rather than commitment to a youth rehabilitation and treatment center whenever the best interests of the juvenile require it
- assistance in the development of alternatives to secure temporary custody for juveniles who do not require secure detention

### *Nebraska Jail Standards Board*

**Contact Person:** Denny Macomber, Chief, Jail Standards Division, 301 Centennial Mall South, Fifth Floor, P.O. Box 94946, Lincoln, NE 68509-9496, phone (402) 471-3990

**Statutory Reference:** 83-4,124

The Nebraska Jail Standards Board, created in 1978 and placed with the Crime Commission in 1981, is responsible for developing, implementing and enforcing minimum standards for the state's adult jails and temporary holding facilities. With the enactment of the Juvenile Detention Facility Standards in 1993, the board's scope was expanded to include juvenile detention facilities.

The Jail Standards Board is composed of 12 members, nine of whom are appointed by the governor for three-year terms. The state fire marshal and director of the Department of Correctional Services serve on the board by statute. Appointed board members include two county commissioners or supervisors, a county sheriff, a police chief, a juvenile detention facility administrator, an administrator of a large jail, a member of the Nebraska Bar Association and two laypersons. The board, which meets on a quarterly basis, operates as an independent governing board with staff and administrative support provided by the Crime Commission's Jail Standards Division.

<b>Member</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Brad Alexander, Plattsmouth .....	Staff Secured Juvenile Facility Administrator.....	July 7, 2016
Vesta Dack, McCook.....	County Representative.....	July 7, 2016
Keith Harvat, Omaha.....	Nebraska Bar Association .....	July 7, 2016
Ronald Johns, Gering .....	Juvenile Detention Facility Administrator .....	July 7, 2018
Willis Luedke, Crete.....	County Commissioner.....	July 7, 2015
Jim Peschong, Lincoln.....	Police Chief .....	July 7, 2018
Bruce Prenda, Lincoln.....	Layperson.....	July 7, 2016
Kevin Stukenholtz, Wahoo.....	County Sheriff .....	July 7, 2015
Mike Thurber, Lincoln.....	Large Jail Administrator.....	July 7, 2015
William Wakefield, Lincoln.....	Layperson.....	July 7, 2015
Scott R. Frakes, Lincoln .....	Director of Correctional Services.....	Nonexpiring
Jim Heine, Lincoln.....	State Fire Marshal .....	Nonexpiring

*Advisory Groups*

**Nebraska County Attorney Standards Advisory Council**

**Statutory Reference:** 23-1213

The eleven-member County Attorney Standards Advisory Council has statutory responsibility for advising the Crime Commission on developing a continuing legal education curriculum required for all Nebraska county attorneys and their deputies as well as establishing the required number of annual training hours. The 2009 Legislature mandated a training requirement for all persons who are elected or appointed as a coroner or deputy coroner. The advisory council oversees this training requirement. Council members are appointed by the governor for four-year terms and include six county attorneys or deputy county attorneys, one professor of law, two county commissioners or supervisors, one county sheriff or chief of police and one certified forensic pathologist.

**Nebraska Coalition for Juvenile Justice**

**Statutory Reference:** 43-2411

The Nebraska Coalition for Juvenile Justice is mandated through the state’s participation in the federal Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act and the state Juvenile Services Act. The coalition makes recommendations to the Crime Commission on juvenile justice issues and federal and state juvenile justice grants, oversees Nebraska’s compliance with the JJDP Act and prepares annual reports on these activities for the governor and the Legislature. Members are appointed by the governor, with at least six members being younger than 24 years of age at the time of appointment to ensure young adult representation.

**Task Force on Human Trafficking**

**Statutory Reference:** 81-1430

The Task Force on Human Trafficking was established with the passage of LB1145 in 2012. The task force investigates and studies human trafficking, methods of advertising human trafficking service and the victimization of individuals coerced to participate in human trafficking. The task force will work with the Nebraska Department of Labor to develop or select informational posters for placement around the state to assist

trafficking victims. The task force also have approved a curriculum for criminal justice agencies for mandatory training regarding issues in human trafficking.

Members include representatives of the attorney general's office, law enforcement, political subdivisions, advocacy groups and the general public. Members are appointed by the governor and serve six-year terms. Members are reimbursed for their expenses.

### **Nebraska Police Standards Advisory Council**

#### **Statutory Reference:** 81-1406

The seven-member Police Standards Advisory Council acts for the Crime Commission in matters relating to law enforcement training and the training center with the exception of budgetary and personnel matters. The council establishes and enforces minimum qualification and training standards for law enforcement officers as well as assesses current and future law enforcement needs related to standards and training. The council also is responsible for establishing training center admission criteria and the training curriculum for law enforcement certification in Nebraska. The council serves as an appeals board for actions related to the enforcement of standards, admission to the training center and actions taken by the center's director. The council also is the hearing body for decertification of law enforcement officers. Council members are appointed by the governor for four-year terms and include two county sheriffs, two police chiefs, a Lincoln or Omaha police department representative, a State Patrol representative and a member of the public, with representatives from the Crime Commission and the Omaha FBI office serving as ex officio members.

### **Racial Profiling Advisory Committee**

#### **Statutory Reference:** 20-506

In 2004, the Racial Profiling Advisory Committee was created to advise the executive director of the Nebraska Commission on Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice on the prevalence of motor vehicle stops involving racial profiling. The commission is required to annually submit to the governor and the Legislature a review of the prevalence and disposition of motor vehicle stops based on racial profiling and allegations reported. The committee developed a reporting form for motor vehicle stops and a form for receiving allegations of racial profiling.

The committee consists of the executive director of the Nebraska Commission on Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice and a representative from each of the following organizations: Fraternal Order of Police, Nebraska County Sheriffs Association, Police Officers Association of Nebraska, American Civil Liberties Union of Nebraska, Nebraska State Patrol, AFL-CIO, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, Commission on Indian Affairs, Latino-American Commission, Nebraska State Bar Association and the Police Chiefs Association of Nebraska. The committee meets semi annually.

### **Criminal Justice Information Systems Advisory Committee**

The Crime Commission established the Criminal Justice Information Systems Advisory Committee in 1995 to provide advice and direction on issues relating to data

sharing and use of information technology among criminal justice agencies. The committee advises the commission on criminal justice information system issues, establishes and promotes standards for data processing and communication, facilitates the development and coordination of state and local criminal justice information systems, provides an avenue for cooperation and coordination among state and local information systems and establishes future directions for data sharing. Committee members are appointed by the commission's executive director and include representatives from a variety of state and local criminal justice agencies and professional associations.

## Military Department

**Office Address:** 2433 N.W. 24th St., Lincoln, NE 68524-1801, phone (402) 309-8210, toll-free phone for National Guard recruiting information (800) 334-5082

**Adjutant General:** Maj. Gen. Daryl L. Bohac

**Statutory Reference:** 55-120

**Authorized Troop Strength:** Army National Guard, 3,664; Air National Guard, 900

**Publications:** *Prairie Soldier* online newspaper and directives applicable to the department

The Military Department functions as a state department for military and non-military operations.

The Army National Guard, the Air National Guard and the State Guard, when organized (statutory reference: 55-201), make up the state's military forces. They conduct military operations and missions to support civil authority when authorized by the governor, who is commander in chief. The Nebraska Emergency Management Agency, a component of the Military Department, coordinates civil resources to support civil authority in an emergency.

On Feb. 15, 1864, the Legislature established the adjutant general's office for the Nebraska Territory. The territorial militia was organized under an act approved in 1865. However, the initial organization of two regiments took place in 1854.

The militia was first organized in reaction to the Great Sioux and Cheyenne Indian War on the territorial border. The nature of the early militia changed to meet the state's needs from 1854 until the end of the Indian Wars in 1890. By 1881, the office of adjutant general again was established as a separate entity after being part of the secretary of state's office for 10 years. The office has continued in this capacity since that time. Legislation passed in 1974 formally changed the office's name to the Military Department.

The adjutant general, besides commanding the state military forces, is state emergency management director, emergency resource management coordinator, emergency preparedness director and state disaster coordinator.

The governor, as state military force commander in chief, appoints the adjutant general from commissioned officers of the Nebraska National Guard. The adjutant general serves until resignation, reaching the mandatory retirement age of 64 or being relieved. The adjutant general controls Military Department forces and executes the governor's orders.

The adjutant general represents the state at national, regional and area military and

nonmilitary defense conferences. The adjutant general develops all civil and military defense, state emergency preparedness and disaster recovery plans for the state. He coordinates with appropriate regional and national agencies and other states to formulate Army, Air Force, civil defense and emergency plans for the state.

### *Nebraska National Guard<sup>1</sup>*

**Statutory Reference:** 55-105

The Nebraska National Guard is made up of the Army National Guard and the Air National Guard. The Army National Guard comprises three Major Subordinate Commands (MSCs) with an authorized strength of 3,664. The MSCs are the 67th Battlefield Surveillance Brigade, 92nd Troop Command and the 209th Regional Training Institute. Units are located in 28 Nebraska communities. The Air National Guard consists of three major commands with an authorized strength of 900 members: the state headquarters and the 155th Air Refueling Wing, located in Lincoln; and the 170th Operations Support Squadron, located at Offutt Air Force Base.

Service members can be called to state active duty to execute missions within the state when authorized by the governor. The state mission of the Nebraska National Guard is to provide trained and equipped organizations to protect life and property and to preserve peace, order and public safety.

Service members are called to federal service for national defense missions, either in the United States or abroad, when authorized by the president. The federal mission of the Nebraska National Guard is to provide the armed forces with trained and equipped units ready for a national emergency or war, in accordance with U.S. Department of Defense plans.

Most fiscal support for the Nebraska National Guard comes from federal sources. The budget for pay and allowances for Active Guard Reserves, federal technicians and part-time Guard members exceeds \$73 million annually. Other expenses paid by the U.S. government, such as fuel, travel, repairs and construction, supplies and equipment, amount to more than \$37 million each year. The present equipment and real property for both the Army and Air National Guard is valued at more than \$494 million.

### *Nebraska Emergency Management Agency*

**Office Address:** 2433 N.W. 24th St., Lincoln, NE 68524-1801, phone (402) 471-7421, 24-hour emergency response phone (877) 297-2368

**Assistant Director:** Bryan Tuma

**Statutory Reference:** 81-829.31

The adjutant general is the state emergency management director. The assistant director conducts the agency's day-to-day operations. The Nebraska Emergency Management Agency has a full-time civilian staff that can respond at any time through an established duty-officer system.

If a disaster occurs, local government responds using local resources. When these resources are deemed inadequate and state resources are required to assist with the

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<sup>1</sup>For more information about the Nebraska National Guard, see Pages 132-133.

response, local officials will contact NEMA. NEMA assesses the disaster and makes a recommendation to the governor on whether a state declaration is needed. If the governor declares a state emergency, state resources can be used within certain restrictions to provide assistance.

NEMA also supports other state agencies and local governments with training and education programs, public information, disaster recovery assistance and disaster planning. NEMA writes plans at the state level, including the State Emergency Operations Plan and the Nebraska Radiological Emergency Response Plans for the state’s two nuclear power plants. The agency coordinates state and federal emergency planning and disaster recovery and homeland security activities in support of the state’s homeland security director.

NEMA occupies the state’s Emergency Operations Center at the Joint Force Headquarters (JFHQ) on the Nebraska National Guard Airbase. The EOC provides a secure location from where Nebraska government can operate during emergencies.

**State Emergency Response Commission**

**Contact Person:** Tonya Ngotel, Nebraska Emergency Management Agency, 2433 N.W. 24th St., Lincoln, NE 68524-1801, phone (402) 471-7176

**Statutory Reference:** 81-15,210

The State Emergency Response Commission (SERC) appoints, supervises and coordinates the activities of the Local Emergency Planning Committees (LEPCs) under the Nebraska Emergency Planning and Community Right to Know Act for hazardous materials.

Commission members include the director of Environmental Quality, the director of Health and Human Services Regulation and Licensure, the director of the Department of Roads, the superintendent of the Nebraska State Patrol, the State Fire Marshal and the director of the Nebraska Emergency Management Agency, or their designees. The commission also includes two elected officials or employees of municipal or county government and one citizen representing each of the following groups: firefighters, local emergency management, public or community health, environmental protection, labor, school districts, small business, agricultural business, the chemical industry, highway transportation and rail transportation. The governor appoints the municipal or county government members and the citizen members with the approval of the Legislature. The appointments must represent Nebraska’s three congressional districts as equally as possible. Members are appointed for four-year terms and are reimbursed for expenses. The commission meets on a quarterly basis.

<b>Member</b>	<b>Represents</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Sherry Blaha, Gering .....	County Government (NACO) .....	Sept. 13, 2017
Steven F. Danon, Omaha .....	Small Business .....	Sept. 13, 2016
Keith Deiml, Papillion .....	School/Education .....	Sept. 13, 2015
Donald Eisenhower, Fairbury .....	Agribusiness .....	Sept. 13, 2016
Gary Gandara, Lincoln .....	Labor .....	Sept. 13, 2015
John Grimes, Norfolk .....	Chemical Industry .....	Sept. 13, 2017
Keith Hansen, Lincoln .....	Public/Community Health .....	Sept. 13, 2018
Tim Hofbauer, Columbus .....	Local Emergency Management .....	Sept. 13, 2018

Larry Johnson, Lincoln .....	Trucking Industry.....	Sept. 13, 2017
Dana Miller, Gering.....	Firefighters.....	Sept. 13, 2018
Kimberly Plouzek, Crete.....	Environmental Protection.....	Sept. 13, 2015
Benjamin Salo, Gretna.....	Transportation.....	Sept. 13, 2017
Vacant .....	City Government.....	Sept. 13, 2014
Maj. Gen. Daryl Bohac, Waverly.....	NEMA Director .....	Ex Officio
Joe Francis, Lincoln .....	Department of Environmental Quality.....	Ex Officio
Jim Heine, Lincoln.....	Acting State Fire Marshal.....	Ex Officio
Tom Sands, Lincoln .....	Department of Roads.....	Ex Officio
Lt. Col. Thomas Schwarten, Lincoln.....	Nebraska State Patrol.....	Ex Officio
Sue Semerena, Lincoln.....	Department of Health and Human Services.....	Ex Officio

## Department of Motor Vehicles

**Office Address:** 301 Centennial Mall South, Mall Level, P.O. Box 94789, Lincoln, NE 68509-4789, phone (402) 471-3900, fax (402) 471-3920, website — [www.dmv.ne.gov](http://www.dmv.ne.gov)

**Director:** Rhonda K. Lahm

**Statutory Reference:** 81-101

**Publications:** Book containing Nebraska motor vehicle laws; driver's license manual; commercial driver's license manual; annual report; instruction manuals for treasurers; motorcycle operator's manual

The Department of Motor Vehicles examines and licenses drivers; administers the driver's license point system, financial responsibility and administrative license revocation laws; issues certificates of title; and registers motor vehicles, including motor carrier proration, fuel tax and reciprocity.

County treasurers act as agents for the department and issue motor vehicle titles and registrations, and collect the fee for driver's licenses.

The department performs functions previously administered by the Division of Motor Vehicles, except those related to the Motor Vehicle Dealer Licensing Act. Under previous law, administration of this act was given to the head of the Department of Roads and Irrigation, acting with a supervisory board. In 1957, a new Motor Vehicle Industry Licensing Board was created, with the director of the Department of Motor Vehicles as its chairperson.

The first motor vehicle laws were enacted in 1905 when vehicles were defined and required to be registered with the secretary of state. Motor vehicle supervision was transferred in 1919 to the Bureau of Roads and Bridges, then to a section of the Department of Public Works. In 1921, responsibility was given to the Department of Public Works, and in 1933, responsibility was transferred to the new Department of Roads and Irrigations. In 1957, the Legislature created a separate Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV).

Today, the DMV houses the office of the director, which oversees operations of the six divisions below that included approximately 190 employees and an annual budget of \$22.4 million in fiscal year 2013-14. Administration includes the deputy director, budget and human resources officers and support staff.

### *Driver and Vehicle Records Division*

**Contact Person:** Betty Johnson, Administrator, 301 Centennial Mall South, P.O. Box 94789, Lincoln, NE 68509-4789, phone (402) 471-3918, fax (402) 471-8694

Motor vehicles were first registered in June 1905. Individuals made their own plates, and registrations were recorded by the state. In 1915, the state began issuing license plates. In 1922, the state established the practice of using prefix numbers to identify the counties in which vehicles were registered. Each county was assigned a number based on the number of registered vehicles in the county at that time. The county with the most vehicles, Douglas, was assigned the number 1; the county with the second highest number of vehicles, Lancaster, was number 2; and so forth. Beginning with the 2002 license plate issue, Douglas, Lancaster and Sarpy counties began issuing a three-letter, three-number plate.

The 1955 Legislature provided for the slogan “The Beef State” on license plates. From 1966 to 1968, the word “Centennial” replaced “The Beef State.” This was later replaced by “Cornhusker State.”

The 1974 Legislature provided that plates issued during 1972 were valid through 1975. In 1976, specially designed license plates with the inscription “1776 BICENTENNIAL 1976” were issued. At the upper left and right corners were drawings of a covered wagon and an Indian chief in full headdress.

Current law requires a new license plate to be issued every six years. The plates are distinctive for each new issuance. Annual renewal tab stickers are affixed to plates during the six years. This division (DVR) is responsible for the budget and inventory control of the 65 types of license plates throughout all 93 counties and the message and specialty plate programs. The department is responsible for the issuance of 65 different license plate types.

Graphic-designed license plates were first issued in 1988. The plates have no slogans and instead use graphic art designs contained in the reflective sheeting. These plates are issued for general-use passenger vehicles.

Digitally printed flat license plates were introduced with the 2005 plate reissuance.

In addition to license plates and registrations, DVR is responsible for the administration of the statewide Vehicle Titling and Registration System (VTR). VTR is used by all 93 counties for the titling and registration of Nebraska’s approximately 2.3 million motor vehicles. VTR is the system through which all motor vehicle taxes, motor vehicle fees, motor vehicle registration fees, sales tax, wheel tax and other assorted fees are collected. The division reviews applications and issues approximately 120,000 handicapped parking permits and maintains the Motor Vehicle Insurance Database.

DVR also is responsible for the database that maintains the records of 1.5 million licensed drivers and State ID card holders and the Digital Driver License System. The DVR Help Desk provides technology and business support for county officials and the general public. DVR also houses a Fraud Unit, which was created in 2005, that investigates identity theft, driver license fraud, and title and odometer fraud. The unit also manages the facial recognition process that was incorporated into the driver license issuance workflow as a security measure in 2009.

*Driver Licensing Services*

**Contact Person:** Sara O'Rourke, Administrator, Driver Licensing Services, 301 Centennial Mall South, Mall Level, P.O. Box 94726, Lincoln, NE 68509-4726, phone (402) 471-3861, fax (402) 471-4020

Driver Licensing Services ensures that individuals meet Nebraska's licensing standards and requirements for issuance of driver permits, licenses and State ID cards. The division utilizes numerous systems to effectively administer its programs, including: the Interactive Driver License System, Digital Driver License System, Central Card Production and Issuance System, Automated Testing System, Problem Driver Pointer System, Commercial Driver's License Information System, Social Security Online Verification, Systemic Alien Verification Entitlements Program and the Commercial Driver License (CDL) Third Party Tester Database.

The division certifies driver training schools, driver safety schools and CDL third party testers and examiners. Driver training schools and CDL third party testers are audited annually. There are 97 exam offices and 100 employees located throughout the state who assist individuals to obtain nine different types of permits and six types of licenses and State ID cards. Thirteen offices are open five days a week. In 2013, over 600,000 applicants were assisted in driver licensing offices statewide. In addition, over 100,000 applicants used online DMV services.

**Health Advisory Board**

**Statutory Reference:** 60-4,118.02

The 1994 Legislature created a state health advisory board of six members appointed by the director of motor vehicles with the advice and recommendation of the director of the Department of Health and Human Services Regulation and Licensure. Members consist of one general practice physician, one physician who practices ophthalmology, one physician who practices orthopedic surgery, one physician who practices neurological medicine and surgery, one optometrist and one psychiatrist. The board advises the director of motor vehicles on the physical or mental ability of applicants for or holders of driver's licenses to operate a vehicle. Board members meet as necessary at the call of the director of motor vehicles. Board members are not paid but are reimbursed for expenses.

<b>Member</b>	<b>Represents</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Howard A. Dinsdale, Lincoln .....	Ophthalmology .....	Jan. 1, 2011
Thomas M. Heiser, Lincoln .....	Orthopedic Surgery .....	Jan. 1, 2011
Robert G. Osborne, Lincoln .....	Psychiatry .....	Jan. 1, 2009
Duane Polzein, Lincoln .....	Optometry .....	Jan. 1, 2011
Les W. Veskrna, Lincoln .....	General Family Practice .....	Jan. 1, 2010

*Motor Carrier Services Division*

**Contact Person:** Cathy Beedle, Administrator, Division of Motor Carrier Services, 301 Centennial Mall South, Mall Level, P.O. Box 94729, Lincoln, NE 68509-4729, phone (402) 471-4435, fax (402) 471-4024

**Statutory Reference:** 75-385

The 1996 Legislature established the Division of Motor Carrier Services within the department. The director of motor vehicles appoints the administrator of the division. The division:

- promotes the motor carrier industry of the state of Nebraska
- promotes the public health and welfare of Nebraska citizens by ensuring that the motor carrier industry operates in an efficient and safe manner
- provides for efficient and uniform governmental oversight of the motor carrier industry
  - promotes financial responsibility on the part of motor carriers operating in and through Nebraska
  - administers provisions of the International Registration Plan (IRP). In 2013, the division collected over \$82 million total IRP fees, retaining \$33 million in Nebraska and distributing the \$49 million balance to other IRP jurisdictions.
  - administers the International Fuel Tax Agreement Act. In 2013, the division collected over \$7.5 million in fuel tax revenues, retaining \$5.7 million in Nebraska and distributing \$1.9 million to other IFTA jurisdictions.
  - administers the Unified Carrier Registration System
  - issues certificates of title to apportioned registered motor vehicles
  - conducts mileage and fuel audits of motor carriers

*Financial Responsibility Division*

**Contact Person:** Kathy VanBroeklin, Division Manager, 301 Centennial Mall South, P.O. Box 94877, Lincoln, NE 68509-4877, phone (402) 471-3985, fax (402) 471-8288

**Statutory Reference:** 60-501

The Financial Responsibility Division carries out the provisions of the Financial Responsibility Act. They suspend and revoke operator's licenses for:

- no proof of liability insurance
- court orders
- accumulation of violation points
- failure to comply with payment of fine
- unsatisfied judgment
- insurance cancellation
- violation of child support order

The division processes driver's license reinstatement applications for suspensions or revocations and reviews and approves applications for ignition interlock and employment drive permits. The division also is the point of contact for issuance of medical hardship permits and aids in the collection of traffic fines and child support order payments.

In 2013, the division revoked or suspended the driver licenses of 60,064 individuals, reinstated 57,884 driver licenses and recorded 164,978 traffic violation convictions to driving records.

*Legal Division*

**Contact Person:** Noelle Ackermann Sherdon, Administrator, 301 Centennial Mall South, P.O. Box 94699, Lincoln, NE 68509-4699, phone (402) 471-9593, fax (402) 471-4828

**Statutory Reference:** 60-1503, 60-498.01

The Legal Division handles the department's rules and regulations promulgation, administrative hearings, contracts, legislation, certification of interlock providers, STOP programs and cases under the State Claims Board. The division also administers the administrative license revocation (ALR) provisions for persons arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol. In 2013, the ALR program affirmed the administrative license revocation of 8,104 drunk drivers.

*Information Systems Division*

**Contact Person:** Keith Dey, Information Systems Manager, 301 Centennial Mall South, P.O. Box 94789, Lincoln, NE 68509-4789, phone (402) 471-3906, fax (402) 471-4020

**Statutory Reference:** 60-1503

The division is responsible for the development, implementation, maintenance and support of all DMV related business applications. The division provides the technological tools, expertise and support needed to develop more efficient methods to serve Nebraskans. The focus of the DMV is to provide customers with easy access to both services and data hosted by the department. DMV online services are provided through [www.nebraska.gov](http://www.nebraska.gov)

### County Numbers for Nebraska License Plates\*

Number	County	Number	County	Number	County
3	Gage	34	Fillmore	66	Cherry
4	Custer	35	Dixon	67	Hitchcock
5	Dodge	36	Holt	68	Keith
6	Saunders	37	Phelps	69	Dawes
7	Madison	38	Furnas	70	Dakota
8	Hall	39	Cheyenne	71	Kimball
9	Buffalo	40	Pierce	72	Chase
10	Platte	41	Polk	73	Gosper
11	Otoe	42	Nuckolls	74	Perkins
12	Knox	43	Colfax	75	Brown
13	Cedar	44	Nemaha	76	Dundy
14	Adams	45	Webster	77	Garden
15	Lincoln	46	Merrick	78	Deuel
16	Seward	47	Valley	79	Hayes
17	York	48	Red Willow	80	Sioux
18	Dawson	49	Howard	81	Rock
19	Richardson	50	Franklin	82	Keya Paha
20	Cass	51	Harlan	83	Garfield
21	Scotts Bluff	52	Kearney	84	Wheeler
22	Saline	53	Stanton	85	Banner
23	Boone	54	Pawnee	86	Blaine
24	Cuming	55	Thurston	87	Logan
25	Butler	56	Sherman	88	Loup
26	Antelope	57	Johnson	89	Thomas
27	Wayne	58	Nance	90	McPherson
28	Hamilton	60	Frontier	91	Arthur
29	Washington	61	Sheridan	92	Grant
30	Clay	62	Greeley	93	Hooker
31	Burt	63	Boyd	A/N	Douglas <sup>1</sup>
32	Thayer	64	Morrill	A/N	Lancaster <sup>1</sup>
33	Jefferson	65	Box Butte	A/N	Sarpy <sup>1</sup>

\* Source: Nebraska Department of Motor Vehicles.

<sup>1</sup> Beginning in 2002, Douglas, Sarpy and Lancaster counties began using alphanumeric plates with three letters and three numbers instead of county-number plates.

## Department of Natural Resources

**Office Address:** 301 Centennial Mall South, Fourth Floor, P.O. Box 94676, Lincoln, NE 68509-4676, phone (402) 471-2366, fax (402) 471-2900, website — [www.dnr.nebraska.gov](http://www.dnr.nebraska.gov)

**Acting Director:** Jim Schneider

**Statutory Reference:** 61-201

**Publications:** Biennial report; hydrographic report; quarterly newsletter; periodic special reports; daily river and canal bulletins (May-September); biennial report for the Nebraska Resources Development Fund; Annual Evaluation of Availability of Hydrologically Connected Water Supplies and numerous other reports and brochures.

The Department of Natural Resources was created on July 1, 2000, by a merger of the Department of Water Resources and the Natural Resources Commission (LB900).

The 1895 Legislature created the state Board of Irrigation and gave it jurisdiction

over water rights for irrigation, power and other purposes. In 1911, the name was changed to the state Board of Irrigation, Highways and Drainage. The board's director, the state engineer, was given responsibility in other fields. In 1919, the name was changed to the Department of Public Works. In 1933, it became known as the Department of Roads and Irrigation, with jurisdiction over highways, vehicle registration and law enforcement, besides water rights issues.

The 1957 Legislature created the Department of Water Resources and gave it the powers and duties formerly exercised by the Bureau of Irrigation, Water Power and Drainage, and the Department of Roads and Irrigation. The department carried out the work started by the state Board of Irrigation.

The Natural Resources Commission was originally established in 1937 as the State Soil Conservation Committee. The committee was later known as the Soil and Water Conservation Commission and then was renamed the Nebraska Natural Resources Commission in 1972.

The Department of Natural Resources carries out the functions and programs of the merged agencies. It regulates the use and storage of surface water from Nebraska's streams, lakes and reservoirs and authorizes the transfer of groundwater by industrial and municipal groundwater users. The department also measures and records state streamflows. The department maintains the state water wells registration system and approves requests to waive state water well spacing requirements. The department issues permits to allow the development of geothermal groundwater use and to allow groundwater transfers to another state.

The department's floodplain management duties include administering Nebraska's Flood Plain Regulation Act and providing state coordination of the National Flood Insurance Program. Local governments with zoning jurisdiction have one year after receiving acceptable floodway boundaries to adopt zoning ordinances restricting development and land use within those floodway lines. The department helps local subdivisions meet requirements prescribed by the Federal Emergency Management Agency, which administers the flood insurance program. The department is responsible for reviewing and approving plans and specifications for dams to ensure that the dams will be safe and regularly inspects dams for safety violations.

The Nebraska Ground Water Management and Protection Act requires the department to review the state's water supplies annually and decide if any basins are fully appropriated and, therefore, subject to the integrated management planning process. In the areas of the state that have been declared fully appropriated or overappropriated, the department works with natural resources districts to create integrated management plans that will sustain water uses and supplies.<sup>2</sup> The department and the natural resources districts may limit water use through a variety of methods including assigning allocations to water use, prohibiting new wells and new surface water appropriations, rotating well use, tougher well-spacing standards, better management practices and educational programs.

The department director is the Nebraska member of several interstate bodies that

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<sup>2</sup> For more information on Natural Resources Districts, see Page 873.

administer stream and border compacts.<sup>3</sup> The department is responsible for coordinating the state's efforts to comply with interstate stream compacts.

### *Natural Resources Commission*

**Office Address:** Rex Gittins, Department of Natural Resources, 301 Centennial Mall South, Fourth Floor, P.O. Box 94676, Lincoln, NE 68509-4676, phone (402) 471-2363, fax (402) 471-2900, website — [www.dnr.nebraska.gov](http://www.dnr.nebraska.gov)

**Statutory Reference:** 2-1504

The Natural Resources Commission carries out certain specific responsibilities in connection with natural resources districts including providing special funds for district projects. The commission created the original NRD boundaries in 1971 and is responsible for approving boundary alterations.

Through passage of LB1098, the 2014 Legislature increased the commission's size from 16 members to 27. Thirteen commission members represent the state's recognized river basins and are elected to four-year terms at individual caucuses of the natural resources districts. The 14 other members are appointed to four-year terms by the governor and represent: agribusiness interests, agricultural interests, groundwater irrigators, irrigation districts, manufacturing interests, metropolitan utilities districts, municipal water users from a primary class city, municipal water users from a first or second class city or village, outdoor recreation users, public power districts, public power and irrigation districts, range livestock owners, surface water irrigators and wildlife conservation interests.

<b>Member</b>	<b>Representing</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Garry A. Anderson, Dixon.....	Elkhorn River Basin .....	Jan. 19, 2017
Brian Barel, Columbus.....	Public Power Districts .....	May 31, 2018
Donald Batie, Lexington.....	Agricultural Interests.....	May 31, 2018
Joel Christensen, Omaha.....	Metropolitan Utilities Districts.....	May 31, 2016
Stan Clouse, Kearney.....	Municipal Water Users.....	May 31, 2016
Dave Deines, Gering.....	North Platte River Basin .....	Jan. 19, 2017
Beverly Donaldson, Omaha .....	Missouri Tributaries River Basin .....	Jan. 22, 2015
Kevin Fornoff, Hayes Center.....	Republican River Basin.....	Jan. 19, 2017
N. Richard Hadenfeldt, Dannebrog.....	Loup River Basin .....	Jan. 22, 2015
Joseph Hergott, Hebron.....	Little Blue River Basin .....	Jan. 19, 2017
Steve Huggenberger, Lincoln.....	Municipal Water Users.....	May 31, 2016
Clinton Johannes, Richland .....	Lower Platte River Basin .....	Jan. 22, 2015
David E. Kadlecek, Hay Springs .....	Niobrara-White-Hat River Basins .....	Jan. 19, 2017
Thomas L. Knutson, St. Paul .....	Surface Water Irrigators.....	May 31, 2016
Henry (Hod) Kosman, Scottsbluff .....	Wildlife Conservation Interests.....	May 31, 2018
Don Kraus, Holdrege .....	Public Power and Irrigation Districts.....	May 31, 2018
Owen Palm, Scottsbluff .....	Agribusiness Interests.....	May 31, 2018
Tom Palmertree, Deshler.....	Manufacturing Interests .....	May 31, 2016
Darrell M. Rains, Beatrice.....	Big Blue River Basin .....	Jan. 22, 2015
Keith Rexroth, Sidney .....	South Platte River Basin.....	Jan. 22, 2015
Michael (Mick) Reynolds, Wood River... ..	Middle Platte River Basin.....	Jan. 18, 2017
Scott Smathers, Lincoln .....	Outdoor Recreation Users .....	May 31, 2016
Lindsey Smith, Broken Bow.....	Range Livestock Owners .....	May 31, 2018
Jeff Steffen, Crofton.....	Missouri Tributaries River Basin.....	Jan. 22, 2015

<sup>3</sup> For more details on these interstate compacts, see Page 739.

Walter Dennis Strauch, Mitchell .....	Irrigation Districts.....	May 31, 2018
Steve Sugden, Adams .....	Nemaha River Basin .....	Jan. 22, 2015
Loren Taylor, Broken Bow .....	Groundwater Irrigators.....	May 31, 2018

### *Carbon Sequestration Advisory Committee*

**Contact Person:** Jesse Bradley, Department of Natural Resources, 301 Centennial Mall South, Fourth Floor, P.O. Box 94676, Lincoln, NE 68509-4676, phone (402) 471-2363, fax (402) 471-2900, website — [www.dnr.nebraska.gov](http://www.dnr.nebraska.gov)

**Statutory Reference:** 2-5301

The 2000 Legislature passed an act relating to the environment and created the Carbon Sequestration Advisory Committee. The act directed the Department of Natural Resources to prepare a report for the Legislature relating to the atmospheric carbon dioxide buildup (greenhouse gases) and investigate possible means to sequester carbon dioxide in the soil. A statewide assessment of carbon levels in soils and the potential for storing higher levels was issued as a separate report for the Legislature. The report and statewide assessment were completed in 2001 and 2002. The act also established a governor-appointed advisory committee to:

- advise and assist the Department of Natural Resources in report preparation
- recommend policies and programs to enhance the ability of agricultural landowners to participate in carbon trading
- encourage the production of educational and advisory materials on carbon sequestration
- identify and recommend areas of research

<b>Member</b>	<b>Represents</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Kenneth Berney, Stanton.....	Natural Resources Districts.....	Jan. 1, 2015
Neil Dominy, Lincoln.....	Natural Resources Conservation Service.....	Jan. 1, 2015
David Endorf, Daykin.....	Crop Production.....	Jan. 1, 2015
Joe Francis, Lincoln .....	Department of Environmental Quality .....	Jan. 1, 2015
Ross D. Garwood, Amelia .....	Livestock Producer.....	Jan. 1, 2015
Bobbie Kriz-Wickham, Lincoln.....	Department of Agriculture.....	Jan. 1, 2015
Gary D. Lynne, Lincoln .....	Emissions Marketing.....	Jan. 1, 2015
Jane Spires, Papillion.....	Electrical Industry.....	Jan. 1, 2015
Andrew Suyker, Lincoln.....	Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources .....	Jan. 1, 2015
Dayle Williamson, Lincoln.....	Department of Natural Resources .....	Jan. 1, 2015
Ginger Willson, Lincoln.....	Nebraska Energy Office .....	Jan. 1, 2015
Vacant .....	Crop Production .....	Jan. 1, 2015
Vacant .....	Ethanol Industry.....	Jan. 1, 2015
Vacant .....	Livestock Producer.....	Jan. 1, 2015

### **Nebraska State Patrol**

**Office Address:** 1600 Highway 2, P.O. Box 94907, Lincoln, NE 68509-4907, phone (402) 471-4545, toll-free Drug Hot Line (800) 742-9333, toll-free Emergency Highway Help Line (800) 525-5555 (\*55 on cellular phones), toll-free statewide Crime Stoppers Line (800) 422-1494, Road Conditions Line dial 511, Recruitment Hot Line

(866) 564-6677, website — [www.statepatrol.nebraska.gov](http://www.statepatrol.nebraska.gov)

**Superintendent:** Col. David Sankey

**Administration:** Lt. Col. Tom Schwarten, Assistant Superintendent; Maj. Kyle Otte, Administrative Services; Maj. Russ Stanczyk, Field Services; Maj. Bret Friesz, Investigative Services

**Statutory References:** 81-101 and 81-2001

**Publications:** Law enforcement bulletin; *The Informer* (internal newsletter); annual report; strategic plan; pamphlets and brochures

**Headquarters Troop:** Air Park-Lincoln, P.O. Box 94907, Lincoln, NE 68509-4907, phone (402) 471-4680

**Troop A:** 4411 S. 108th St., Omaha, NE 68137, phone (402) 331-3333

**Troop B:** 1401 W. Eisenhower Ave., Norfolk, NE 68701-2199, phone (402) 370-3456

**Troop C:** 3431 W. Old Potash, P.O. Box 1602, Grand Island, NE 68802-1602, phone (308) 385-6000

**Troop D:** Junction Highway 83 and Interstate 80, 300 W. South River Road, North Platte, NE 69101-6988, phone (308) 535-8047

**Troop E:** Panhandle Office Complex, 4500 Ave. I, P.O. Box 1500, Scottsbluff, NE 69361-0872, phone (308) 632-1211

In 1937, the Legislature created the Nebraska Safety Patrol, making it a division of the Department of Roads and Irrigation. As amended in 1941, the law named the patrol's chief officer as "superintendent of Law Enforcement and Public Safety." In 1967, the Legislature changed the name to State Patrol and broadened the division's duties. In 1981, the Legislature made the State Patrol a separate agency, removing it from Department of Roads' control.

The superintendent's office directly supervises professional standards, public information and executive protection. Other state patrol duties are classified under three general areas: administrative services, investigative services and field services.

Officers of the state patrol also provide executive protection for the governor and the governor's family, legislative security and Supreme/Appellate Court security.

### *Administrative Services*

This division includes accounting, grants, human resources, information technology, supply, radio engineering, purchasing, CLEIN network administration, research and planning, project management and the training academy.

### **Internal Affairs Division**

The Internal Affairs Division provides the agency a means of maintaining professional conduct within the Nebraska State Patrol. The Internal Affairs lieutenant receives complaints from the public and within the agency and initiates administrative investigations into complaints that allege misconduct. The division also tracks incidents where officers were required to use force or discharge weapons in the performance of their duties.

### *Investigative Services Division*

The Investigative Services Division includes criminal investigations, drug investigations, the Nebraska Information Analysis Center (intelligence sharing of all crimes and hazards), criminal identification (fingerprint and criminal history files) and the following divisions: alcohol/tobacco, auto/fuel fraud, crime lab, cold case, hazardous devices, Internet crimes and the sex offender registry program.

#### **Alcohol/Tobacco Division**

The Nebraska State Patrol serves as the primary enforcement agency for the Nebraska Liquor Control Commission. In addition to liquor law enforcement, the patrol investigates the background of liquor license applicants and complaints of alleged violations and conducts licensed premise inspections. The patrol also provides training to retail liquor license holders regarding state law, the rules and regulations of the Liquor Control Commission and methods of detecting false identification.

#### **Auto/Fuel Fraud Division**

The Auto Fraud Division tracks stolen vehicles and educates key individuals about identification of false vehicle documents. The division promotes anti-auto fraud and public awareness programs and provides certification training to vehicle title inspectors. Fuel fraud personnel investigate fuel tax fraud, illegal use of dyed diesel fuel and consumer fraud involving fuel quality and quantity. The division also investigates fraud involving the nonpayment of tax and registration fees related to the sale and/or purchase of vehicles in Nebraska.

#### **Crime Laboratory**

The mission of the Nebraska State Patrol Crime Laboratory is to serve as a state leader in the field of forensic science serving law enforcement agencies statewide. Key functions include evidence analysis, operation of the state's DNA databank, expert court testimony and evidence collection and preservation training. The crime lab provides all services free of charge to Nebraska law enforcement and the criminal justice system.

#### **Drug Investigations**

Nebraska State Patrol drug investigators throughout the state investigate all levels of crime involving the manufacture, sale and distribution of illegal drugs. Investigators increasingly are focusing on identifying, infiltrating and dismantling upper-level drug trafficking organizations through cooperative efforts with the state's Drug Task Force units, most of which have a state patrol investigator assigned on a full time basis.

#### **Hazardous Devices Squad**

The Hazardous Devices Squad consists of six hazardous device technicians certified through the Federal Bureau of Investigation's Hazardous Devices School. The squad's responsibilities include responding to explosives calls, providing training in explosive recognition and awareness and enforcing laws regarding the purchase, use and storage of commercial explosives.

### **Technical Crimes Unit/Internet Crimes Against Children**

The Technical Crimes Unit addresses the use of computers and electronic devices to commit fraud, identity theft and other related computer crimes. The Internet Crimes Against Children unit is one of 61 federally funded ICAC task forces in the United States. The unit works proactive and reactive cases involving child pornography and online enticement of children for sexual purposes. The unit also works with other agencies to investigate threats to the State of Nebraska's technology infrastructure.

### **Sex Offender Registry**

The Sex Offender Registry was created to maintain records of convicted sex offenders. Program personnel determine the length of the mandatory registration period for each offender, track offenders' address and employment changes, conduct community notification and investigate violations of registry laws.

### *Field Services*

Field Services include highway patrolling, crash investigations, motor carrier enforcement, SWAT team services and the Aviation Support, Community Policing and Police Service Dog divisions.

### **Aviation Support**

The Aviation Support Division has pilots stationed in Lincoln and Ogallala. Three fixed-wing aircraft and one helicopter are used to enforce motor vehicle laws, conduct surveillance, search for missing persons and assist other law enforcement agencies.

### **Community Policing Division**

The Nebraska State Patrol has officers dedicated to participate in community policing, which is a partnership between police and the communities they serve. The program is designed to identify problems and to develop solutions to these problems. Nebraska State Patrol Community Service Officers conduct or assist with a variety of programs, including the Metro Area Motorist Assist Program, Nebraska Motorist Assist Program, Central Nebraska Motorist Assist Program and Junior Law Program.

### **Police Service Dog Division**

The Police Service Dog Division consists of 11 officers and their police service dogs. The dogs are trained to track suspects or missing persons, search buildings or vehicles for drugs and explosives, protect officers and apprehend suspects.

## **Department of Revenue**

**Office Address:** 301 Centennial Mall South, Second Floor, P.O. Box 94818, Lincoln, NE 68509-4818, phone (402) 471-5729, toll-free taxpayer assistance line for Nebraska and Iowa 1-800-742-7474, website — [revenue.nebraska.gov](http://revenue.nebraska.gov)

**Acting Tax Commissioner:** Leonard J. Sloup

**Statutory References:** Nebraska Constitution, Article IV, Section 28; and 77-360

**Publications:** Statistical information annual report; Fund Summary Report; De-

partment of Revenue Annual Incentives Report; Tax Expenditure Report; and other reports required by law or for informational purposes

The Nebraska Department of Revenue, through the tax commissioner, has indirect authority over state revenues and directly administers major state tax revenues except liquor and insurance premium taxes.

A constitutional amendment in 1967 prohibited state government from using property tax revenues. To replace this revenue, the Legislature enacted a state sales and use tax and a state income tax. The sales and use tax became effective in 1967, and the income tax became effective in 1968.

The Department of Revenue prepares an annual report that includes statistical information on collected state taxes. This report is available at [revenue.nebraska.gov](http://revenue.nebraska.gov).

### *Administration*

The department is organized into six divisions: Compliance, Lottery and Charitable Gaming, Motor Fuels, Operations and Administrative Services, Policy and Property Assessment.

### *Compliance Division*

The Compliance Division is responsible for:

- assuring fair and uniform payment and collection of all taxes due from Nebraska's tax system
- performing audit, legal and collection duties related to enforcement of Nebraska's tax laws
- investigating tax fraud and evasion
- administering tax incentive programs

### *Lottery and Charitable Gaming Division*

**Statutory Reference:** 9-804 and 9-1,101

The Legislature established the Charitable Gaming Division in 1986 to regulate charitable gaming activities in Nebraska. In November 1992, Nebraska voters approved a constitutional amendment authorizing the creation of a state lottery. The Nebraska Lottery was created by LB138, passed by the 1993 Legislature.

The head of the Charitable Gaming Division also serves as the State Athletic Commissioner and is responsible for regulating mixed martial arts, professional wrestling and professional boxing in Nebraska.

The Lottery and Charitable Gaming Division:

- provides funds for its beneficiaries, including the Nebraska Environmental Trust Fund, education as directed by the Legislature, the Compulsive Gamblers Assistance Fund and the Nebraska State Fair Board.
- sells instant-win and online lottery games
- administers laws relating to bingo, keno, pickle cards and raffle and is responsible for licensing, policy and enforcement activities
- ensures that charitable gaming proceeds are accurately accounted for and used in a lawful manner

### *Motor Fuels Division*

**Statutory Reference:** 66-738

The Motor Fuels Division:

- ensures compliance with state motor fuels tax laws
- provides assistance to taxpayers regarding motor fuels tax programs
- administers the motor fuels tax programs with an increased emphasis on audits, investigations and collections

### *Operations and Administrative Services Division*

The Operations and Administrative Services Division:

- manages and administers the department's various resources to provide staff with information and services needed to deliver efficient and high quality service to the public
- is responsible for human resources, information and tax return processing, financial and accounting systems, procurement, facilities and technology management and support services for the department

### *Policy Division*

The Policy Division:

- develops legislative and regulatory policies that clearly inform the public about Nebraska tax law
- conducts economic research, such as preparing the forecast of state receipts and estimating the tax impact of proposed legislation
- provides taxpayer assistance through educational information on the department's website, over phone or in person at educational seminars

### *Property Assessment Division*

**Statutory Reference:** 77-701

On July 1, 1999, the Property Tax Division of the Department of Revenue became a separate agency, the Department of Property Assessment and Taxation. On July 1, 2007, the Department of Property Assessment and Taxation was reabsorbed by the Department of Revenue and became the Property Assessment Division.

The Property Assessment Division develops information in various formats that assists county assessors, and the payers and beneficiaries of property taxes, in making informed decisions concerning the quality of the assessment function of the Nebraska property tax system.

### *Convention Center Facility Financing Assistance Board*

**Contact Person:** Leonard J. Sloup, Acting Tax Commissioner, Nebraska Department of Revenue, 301 Centennial Mall South, Second Floor, P.O. Box 94818, Lincoln, NE 68509-4818, phone (402) 471-5805

**Statutory Reference:** 13-2601

In 1999, the Legislature created the Convention Center Facility Financing Assistance Act to ensure that the state may receive long-term economic and fiscal benefits

from convention facilities. The board determined whether political subdivisions that file applications under this act qualify for state assistance.

Under the act, there can be no new applicants for state assistance after Dec. 31, 2012. However, the department continues to administer the state assistance as approved by the board for two successful applicants.

*Sports Arena Facility Financing Assistance Board*

**Contact Person:** Leonard J. Sloup, Acting Tax Commissioner, Nebraska Department of Revenue, 301 Centennial Mall South, Second Floor, P.O. Box 94818, Lincoln, NE 68509-4818, phone (402) 471-5805

**Statutory Reference:** 13-3101

In 2010, the Legislature created the Sports Arena Facility Financing Assistance Act. The board determines whether political subdivisions that file applications under this act qualify for state assistance.

The board consists of the governor, state treasurer, chairperson of the Nebraska Investment Council, chairperson of the Nebraska State Board of Public Accountancy and a professor of economics from a state postsecondary educational institution appointed by the Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education.

**Members**

**Position**

Bernie Gutschewski, Omaha.....	Chair, Nebraska State Board of Public Accountancy
Pete Ricketts, Lincoln/Omaha.....	Governor
Don Stenberg, Lincoln.....	State Treasurer
Eric Thompson, Lincoln.....	Director, University of Nebraska-Lincoln Bureau of Business Research
Gail Werner-Robertson, Omaha.....	Chairperson, Nebraska Investment Council

Total Property Taxes Levied in Nebraska, 1887-2013\*

Year	Total Assessed Valuation <sup>1</sup>	Total State Levy in Mills	Total State Taxes Levied	Total Amount of State Taxes Levied	Total Amount of County Taxes Levied	Total Amount of City/Village Taxes Levied	Total Amount of Township Taxes Levied	Total Amount of School Taxes Levied	Total Amount of Other Taxes Levied <sup>16</sup>	Grand Total All Property Taxes Levied
1887.....	160,506,266	8.13	1,305,659	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1897.....	165,193,736	7.15	1,181,919	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1907.....	329,413,349	7.00	2,305,893	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1917.....	528,891,424	8.48	4,484,999	-	-	-	-	-	-	51,600,457.36
1920.....	762,284,909	10.39	7,932,575	-	-	-	-	-	-	59,365,699.26
1921.....	3,212,737,091	3.30	10,930,607	-	-	-	-	-	-	55,967,004.92
1925.....	3,176,773,795	2.35	7,482,542	-	-	-	-	-	-	54,970,346.96
1926.....	3,177,159,318	1.80	5,718,886	-	-	-	-	-	-	66,028,255.91
1927.....	3,141,146,610	3.75	11,779,299	-	-	-	-	-	-	58,273,807.24
1928.....	3,125,855,662	2.06	6,439,262	-	-	-	-	-	-	59,442,398.97
1929.....	3,167,489,383	2.40	7,645,798	-	-	-	-	-	-	58,485,076.39
1930.....	3,102,050,571	2.34	7,258,798	-	-	-	-	-	-	56,424,184.07
1931.....	3,045,793,706	2.04	6,213,419	-	-	-	-	-	-	49,388,994.64
1932.....	2,521,000,981	2.37	5,974,772	-	-	-	-	-	-	42,906,527.94
1933.....	2,073,283,250	2.59	4,955,147	-	-	-	-	-	-	42,068,482.03
1934.....	2,059,678,928	2.10	4,424,207	-	-	-	-	-	-	43,878,947.41
1935.....	2,030,243,533	2.15	4,467,760	-	-	-	-	-	-	44,113,357.43
1936.....	2,060,835,168	1.76	3,732,183	-	-	-	-	-	-	47,024,422.95
1937.....	2,058,224,967	2.64	5,536,161	-	-	-	-	-	-	47,183,558.77
1938.....	2,033,302,482	2.68	6,213,373 <sup>5</sup>	-	-	-	-	-	-	46,819,088.50
1939.....	2,047,519,591	2.61	6,111,012 <sup>5</sup>	-	-	-	-	-	-	45,713,054.72
1940.....	1,922,271,788	2.57	5,751,790.31 <sup>5</sup>	8,522,835.62	9,363,959.00	9,363,959.00	827,583.52	19,089,644.91	2,157,241.36	46,271,291.87
1941.....	1,949,775,725	2.71	6,114,720.49 <sup>5</sup>	8,544,696.34	8,544,696.34	8,544,696.34	868,795.63	19,249,031.84	1,965,941.85	47,416,936.73
1942.....	2,042,442,436	2.39	5,892,250.53 <sup>5</sup>	8,437,615.85	9,923,106.54	9,923,106.54	911,358.28	20,321,586.08	1,931,019.45	49,791,714.25
1943.....	2,123,882,890	2.48	6,434,989.90 <sup>5</sup>	7,346,061.49	9,731,625.33	9,731,625.33	902,633.21	22,596,098.56	2,780,305.76	51,814,011.79
1944.....	2,115,063,748	2.54 <sup>3</sup>	6,646,877.64 <sup>5</sup>	7,089,268.72	7,089,268.72	7,089,268.72	918,210.88	24,661,371.55	2,862,832.43	57,511,244.81
1945.....	2,153,798,946	2.84 <sup>4</sup>	7,541,696.98 <sup>5</sup>	8,344,525.21	10,360,226.65	10,360,226.65	1,119,521.03	27,193,352.52	2,951,922.42	63,243,778.23
1946.....	2,160,972,214	3.30 <sup>4</sup>	8,970,146.90 <sup>5</sup>	8,945,475.72	11,392,713.44	11,392,713.44	1,299,012.87	29,212,466.96	3,473,962.23	81,396,348.29
1947.....	2,315,539,866	5.99 <sup>5</sup>	16,226,395.97 <sup>5</sup>	10,021,306.17	12,190,072.88	12,190,072.88	1,528,623.29	37,887,372.40	3,202,980.14	90,287,562.48 <sup>9</sup>
1948.....	2,499,222,769	5.26 <sup>6</sup>	16,590,938.10 <sup>5</sup>	11,128,634.02	11,128,634.02	11,128,634.02	1,829,223.68	43,285,645.46	3,163,184.71	98,664,524.15 <sup>9</sup>
1949.....	2,640,565,444	5.86 <sup>7</sup>	19,118,120.38 <sup>5</sup>	12,798,837.04	15,451,581.85	15,451,581.85	2,081,642.24	45,907,269.75	3,005,280.95	107,576,591.44 <sup>9</sup>
1950.....	2,719,489,576	5.76	19,519,763.70 <sup>8</sup>	12,835,629.71	16,199,324.47	16,199,324.47	2,182,106.43	53,225,772.76	3,218,657.15	122,665,280.82
1951.....	3,014,247,350	6.59	24,171,059.33 <sup>8</sup>	14,358,334.06	18,371,648.03	18,371,648.03	2,296,761.73	58,205,008.79	2,621,995.26	126,646,136.67 <sup>9</sup>
1952.....	3,104,475,679	6.98	27,025,733.01 <sup>8</sup>	14,424,701.63	20,346,311.25	20,346,311.25	2,467,706.17	55,240,372.79	2,683,738.43	124,347,195.93 <sup>9</sup>
1953.....	3,383,619,610	5.75	24,830,943.41 <sup>8</sup>	14,194,973.78	21,824,327.76	21,824,327.76	2,480,913.40	57,896,786.43	2,621,022.59	128,041,382.23 <sup>9</sup>
1954.....	3,043,753,089	6.69	20,820,539.57 <sup>8</sup>	19,138,043.41	21,692,901.55	21,692,901.55	2,351,358.95	60,463,284.26	2,902,266.64	-

\* Source: Department of Revenue Property Assessment Division.

Total Property Taxes Levied in Nebraska, 1887-2013 (Cont'd.)

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1955.....	3,059,667,317	8.18	25,468,398.01*	21,939,063.84	22,761,837.33	2,171,542.77	66,811,906.76	2,856,726.27	142,627,677.96 <sup>2</sup>
1956.....	2,958,572,814	8.09	24,388,599.86	22,741,831.79	23,187,048.99	1,974,012.50	70,246,466.64	3,094,990.67	146,212,379.98 <sup>2</sup>
1957.....	2,968,251,035	8.23	24,949,837.30	24,081,108.68	23,874,781.65	1,891,013.32	75,396,263.55	2,795,780.66	153,524,482.99 <sup>2</sup>
1958.....	3,026,479,555	7.97	24,598,189.28	25,162,038.00	25,072,458.92	2,010,803.07	80,258,148.92	2,789,387.21	161,513,035.51 <sup>2</sup>
1959.....	3,175,363,640	8.45	27,742,734.00 <sup>3</sup>	27,010,154.00 <sup>3</sup>	26,916,580.00 <sup>3</sup>	2,108,651.00	89,390,547.00 <sup>3</sup>	1,823,095.00 <sup>3</sup>	175,700,835.00 <sup>3</sup>
1960.....	3,212,814,395	8.43	27,084,022.00 <sup>3</sup>	29,209,653.04	29,078,360.40	2,379,647.37	97,361,961.77	1,797,134.61	189,000,049.35
1961.....	3,278,007,212	8.41	27,668,040.00	30,288,016.27	31,089,977.95	2,416,917.37	102,502,803.84	2,283,652.45	198,260,199.20
1962.....	3,367,213,872	8.43	28,885,612.00	33,298,733.90	33,540,949.22	2,472,914.89	110,833,920.33	2,862,106.94	214,740,261.73
1963.....	3,458,065,766	9.80	33,871,754.17	35,173,883.83	35,979,276.30	2,665,803.07	120,789,718.71	3,508,721.12	235,101,945.65
1964.....	3,553,328,531	9.14	32,477,422.77	37,387,165.00	38,454,973.00	2,585,621.00	126,791,196.00	4,527,456.00	246,617,142.00
1965.....	3,824,944,306	11.75	44,866,596.73	42,191,781.00	42,010,524.00	2,526,240.00	137,366,909.00	5,595,374.00	278,511,202.00
1966.....	4,334,187,613	10.67	49,317,239.46	47,162,520.04	47,093,081.86	2,590,065.42	155,612,952.14	5,227,918.82	308,319,630.21
1967.....	4,250,081,231	-	-	52,228,134.16	47,711,381.94	2,772,969.00	188,637,979.46	2,673,756.93	296,865,045.75
1968.....	4,450,148,845	-	-	52,698,236.33	48,477,535.15	2,707,718.34	186,970,844.29	1,703,395.38	291,657,729.49
1969.....	5,134,365,585	-	-	55,240,378.58	52,225,096.24	2,978,619.20	207,010,518.22	1,877,520.28	319,322,132.65
1970.....	5,375,575,178	-	-	60,070,893.23	55,540,398.42	2,886,917.00	227,298,397.69	5,494,558.40	351,261,164.85
1971.....	5,537,901,733 <sup>11</sup>	-	-	67,941,724.18 <sup>12</sup>	58,579,109.57 <sup>2</sup>	3,021,725.63	253,055,623.67 <sup>13</sup>	6,957,773.65	389,555,956.70
1972.....	5,731,535,854	-	-	66,815,345.18	59,850,069.91	3,067,721.90	268,140,216.20	11,841,962.08	409,715,315.27
1973.....	6,077,281,894	-	-	67,530,676.69	63,207,701.26	3,192,637.20	266,937,559.55	14,836,694.79	415,705,269.49
1974.....	6,503,268,242	-	-	79,948,378.28	69,070,859.84	3,583,457.94	283,085,525.68	16,840,694.20	452,328,855.94
1975.....	6,748,224,013	-	-	89,488,177.16	77,568,121.34	3,938,242.37	335,418,412.12	20,170,789.27	526,583,742.26
1976.....	7,017,779,158	-	-	97,559,784.14	84,249,910.50	4,169,473.22	390,698,319.60	20,534,040.50	597,011,527.96
1977.....	7,627,733,927	-	-	104,203,795.14	88,979,987.30	4,215,692.98	418,143,661.85	23,306,318.55	638,849,455.82
1978.....	7,613,655,151	-	-	92,085,281.43	91,670,649.88	4,302,523.80	419,938,308.46	28,324,536.08	636,321,799.65
1979.....	11,980,897,548	-	-	106,732,742.66	96,719,718.42	5,275,881.41	445,372,813.04	29,031,662.80	683,132,818.45
1980.....	12,671,717,612	-	-	118,268,175.56	111,214,847.08	5,663,853.87	444,546,095.81	29,078,338.43	708,671,290.75
1981.....	37,323,254,040 <sup>14</sup>	-	-	127,122,316.17	119,606,762.19	5,885,564.33	490,175,200.88	31,251,930.94	774,041,774.51
1982.....	38,553,689,126	-	-	132,536,518.71	129,261,511.13	6,705,460.35	519,235,159.61	33,342,822.26	820,801,472.09
1983.....	41,035,051,624	-	-	145,712,192.81	137,795,571.73	7,478,969.60	567,520,724.12	35,387,354.34	893,894,758.60
1984.....	41,632,906,878	-	-	149,167,872.98	138,939,350.26	8,052,530.26	609,396,444.64	43,989,999.79	949,606,197.93
1985.....	44,606,914,842	-	-	156,689,853.19	136,371,552.53	8,278,854.46	662,503,133.90	51,428,651.23	1,015,272,045.51
1986.....	43,925,258,319	-	-	152,584,555.93	143,742,404.22	7,873,142.86	697,383,486.92	57,595,701.77	1,059,179,271.70
1987.....	44,309,579,823	-	-	154,933,300.94	145,214,398.57	7,690,335.05	713,128,598.70	61,851,081.68	1,100,975,101.94
1988.....	44,697,049,210	-	-	162,574,423.42	148,990,983.71	7,718,588.90	777,782,709.17	66,819,052.85	1,163,685,758.05
1989.....	49,991,878,637	-	-	176,918,895.88	159,159,830.51	7,860,447.76	87,414,429.63	72,335,081.60	1,291,988,680.84
1990.....	52,725,587,844	-	-	183,324,179.08	160,049,818.35	7,969,656.39	792,951,893.81	73,413,706.30	1,217,708,654.73
1991.....	54,041,010,920	-	-	193,159,277.33	164,070,911.90	8,080,419.88	813,288,636.89	78,448,202.84	1,257,047,448.83

**Total Property Taxes Levied in Nebraska, 1887-2013 (Cont'd.)**

Year	Total Assessed Valuation <sup>1</sup>	Total State Levy in Mills	Total State Taxes Levied	Total Amount of County Taxes Levied	Total Amount of City/Village Taxes Levied	Total Amount of Township Taxes Levied	Total Amount of School Taxes Levied	Total Amount of Other Taxes Levied <sup>16</sup>	Grand Total All Property Taxes Levied
1992.....	56,004,491,961 <sup>15</sup>	-	-	201,879,272.15	166,154,038.92	8,260,817.28	855,628,353.49	82,364,305.22	1,314,286,787.06
1993.....	57,861,622,350	-	-	218,962,439.61	171,372,563.13	8,553,226.25	929,381,170.83	85,595,621.83	1,413,865,561.65
1994.....	63,265,656,339	-	-	229,536,803.30	177,038,220.01	8,700,649.39	1,008,550,114.90	92,717,692.33	1,516,543,479.93
1995.....	66,332,588,789	-	-	240,542,678.67	189,442,108.16	8,864,252.86	977,130,665.94	168,914,201.08	1,584,893,906.72
1996.....	70,501,578,300	-	-	243,650,064.85	190,419,199.29	9,219,214.58	1,021,743,386.08	179,116,083.26	1,644,147,948.05
1997.....	69,048,638,885 <sup>7</sup>	-	-	229,054,744.74	175,080,143.47	9,126,158.00	957,975,231.90	173,305,191.98	1,546,541,470.09
1998.....	74,603,633,524	-	-	227,198,972.00	175,402,964.00	8,487,915.00	897,530,846.00	165,051,939.00	1,471,472,636.00
1999.....	81,499,658,239	-	-	229,116,147.00	186,516,508.00	8,781,760.00	959,994,794.00	144,062,329.00	1,519,471,538.00
2000.....	88,307,553,325	-	-	242,907,650.00	190,534,175.00	8,976,206.00	1,043,281,114.00	154,882,574.00	1,640,581,719.00
2001.....	93,938,214,211	-	-	270,198,652.00	203,672,425.00	9,348,336.00	1,075,506,900.00	200,107,277.00	1,761,833,590.00
2002.....	98,162,679,918	-	-	292,056,327.00	210,563,949.00	9,489,701.00	1,143,578,889.00	212,457,717.00	1,868,146,583.00
2003.....	104,200,041,103	-	-	321,016,370.00	219,615,828.00	9,800,769.00	1,254,770,485.00	233,423,949.00	2,038,627,402.00
2004.....	109,123,243,710	-	-	340,066,873.00	226,999,695.00	10,233,494.00	1,307,534,623.00	254,165,416.00	2,139,540,101.00
2005.....	116,267,633,375	-	-	368,559,351.00	241,989,667.00	10,464,502.00	1,378,914,526.00	282,070,221.00	2,281,998,267.00
2006.....	125,064,178,626	-	-	393,816,418.00	253,672,669.00	11,102,880.00	1,474,275,271.00	309,196,343.00	2,442,063,581.00
2007.....	131,993,854,563	-	-	417,047,416.00	274,204,507.00	11,822,448.00	1,552,763,379.00	325,774,758.00	2,581,612,508.00
2008.....	139,910,063,115	-	-	442,543,981.00	290,516,115.00	12,601,710.00	1,632,162,008.00	395,028,998.00	2,772,852,812.00
2009.....	147,626,212,873	-	-	464,194,036.00	311,282,052.00	13,081,116.00	1,716,241,503.00	371,327,467.00	2,876,126,174.00
2010.....	154,005,148,221	-	-	492,464,502.00	320,814,632.00	13,925,486.00	1,778,846,009.00	385,030,621.00	2,991,080,851.00
2011.....	160,728,246,466	-	-	513,500,121.00	335,378,492.00	14,608,497.00	1,843,237,551.00	405,883,258.00	3,108,747,898.00
2012.....	169,958,724,711	-	-	541,757,212.00	360,010,815.00	15,109,242.00	1,922,638,274.00	411,764,206.00	3,231,879,749.00
2013.....	184,353,161,915	-	-	564,516,999.00	344,063,476.00	16,099,936.00	2,024,910,737.00	451,129,091.00	3,400,720,239.00

<sup>1</sup> From 1921 to 1952, property was assessed at full value instead of one-fifth value, as in past years. From 1953 to 1957, property was assessed at 50 percent of value. From 1959 to 1980, property was assessed at 35 percent of value. Starting in 1981, property has been assessed at full value.

<sup>2</sup> Includes tax levied by counties but remitted to state for hospitals for the "insane and feebleminded."

<sup>3</sup> Includes one-tenth of a mill for reimbursing permanent school fund.

<sup>4</sup> Includes one-tenth of a mill for reimbursing permanent school fund and .47 of a mill for Veterans Aid Fund Levy.

<sup>5</sup> Includes one-tenth of a mill for historical society buildings, .44 of a mill for Veterans Aid Fund Levy and 1.10 mills for Building Fund Levy.

<sup>6</sup> Includes .41 of a mill for Veterans Aid Fund Levy and 1.10 mills for Building Fund Levy.

<sup>7</sup> Includes .38 of a mill for Veterans Aid Fund Levy and 1.10 mills for Building Fund Levy.

<sup>8</sup> Includes Douglas County Tax Appraisal Board Taxes and Veterans Aid Fund, 1950-55.

<sup>9</sup> Includes Rural Fire District Taxes, Road District Taxes and Grain and Seed Taxes, 1947-79.

<sup>10</sup> Includes Head Tax.

## Footnotes (Cont'd.)

<sup>11</sup> Homestead exemption amount of \$6.3 million.

<sup>12</sup> State aid to cities and counties amount to \$12.6 million annually.

<sup>13</sup> State aid to public schools amount to \$35 million annually.

<sup>14</sup> Actual value.

<sup>15</sup> In 1992, Nebraska changed the valuation methodology for personal property from market value to a depreciated net book basis. See *Nebraska Department of Revenue Annual Report*, Page 83.

<sup>16</sup> Reflects taxes levied for rural fire districts, natural resources districts, educational service units, community colleges and miscellaneous districts.

<sup>17</sup> 1997 value excludes motor vehicle values per LB271, passed in 1997.

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Year	Total Assessed Valuation	Real Property <sup>16</sup>	Real Property Percent of Total Assessment	Personal Property (Tangible) Exclusive of Railroad	Personal Property Percent of Total Assessment	Railroad Property Percent of Total Assessment	Total Intangible Personal Property
1867	\$ 20,069,222	\$ 12,101,211	60.30	\$ 6,889,961	34.33	\$ 1,078,050	\$ 1,064,638
1877	71,311,578	46,833,647	65.67	16,130,095	22.62	8,347,836	2,199,341
1887	160,506,266	96,358,889	60.03	40,546,015	25.26	23,601,362	4,032,794
1897	165,193,736	112,968,973	68.39	26,605,662	16.11	25,619,101	2,272,418
1907	329,413,349	192,933,917	58.57	83,081,460 <sup>2</sup>	25.22	53,397,972	15,361,496
1917	528,891,424	352,057,625	66.57	119,978,346	22.68	56,855,453	16,418,856
1920	762,284,909	540,197,502	70.87	160,788,213	21.09	61,299,188	20,267,538
1921	3,212,737,091 <sup>3</sup>	2,366,548,145	73.66	539,068,627	16.78	307,120,316	84,235,452
1922	3,202,705,714	2,293,043,094 <sup>4</sup>	71.60	594,032,740	18.35	315,629,880	141,266,092 <sup>5</sup>
1925	3,176,773,795 <sup>6</sup>	2,356,963,175	74.19	506,667,668	15.95	313,422,952	151,642,492 <sup>7</sup>
1926	3,177,159,318	2,376,019,296	74.78	488,050,275	15.36	313,089,747	144,582,220
1927	3,141,146,610	2,391,522,671	76.14	468,475,552	14.91	281,148,387	142,235,872
1928	3,125,855,462	2,400,614,031	76.80	466,799,354	14.93	258,442,077	172,562,291
1929	3,167,489,383	2,409,769,335	76.08	497,116,692	15.71	260,003,356	300,783,204 <sup>8</sup>
1930	3,102,050,571	2,357,541,588	76.00	484,373,892	15.61	260,135,091	242,115,831
1931	3,043,793,706	2,358,299,796	77.43	434,652,071	14.27	252,841,839	206,321,388
1932	2,521,000,981	1,965,705,448	77.97	334,338,251	13.26	220,957,282	150,962,544
1933	2,073,283,250	1,598,243,869	77.09	291,457,726	14.06	183,581,655	119,704,144
1934	2,059,678,928	1,587,987,654	77.10	304,087,911	14.76	167,603,363	103,080,003
1935	2,030,243,533	1,587,710,975	78.20	296,795,706	14.62	145,736,852	104,081,555
1936	2,060,835,168	1,581,278,483	76.73	331,270,590	16.07	148,286,095	110,960,397
1937	2,038,224,967	1,580,200,530	76.77	318,594,227	15.48	159,430,210	115,662,946
1938	2,033,302,482	1,575,646,085	77.49	314,819,092	15.48	142,837,305	106,260,614
1939	2,047,519,591	1,573,350,879	76.84	335,457,877	16.38	138,710,925	112,891,068
1940	1,922,271,788	1,457,849,933	75.84	333,129,615	17.33	131,292,240	114,623,255
1941	1,949,775,725	1,463,623,407	75.07	353,189,958	18.22	130,962,360	133,246,090
1942	2,042,442,436	1,448,884,200	70.94	457,905,661	22.42	135,632,575	142,369,989
1943	2,123,882,890	1,450,987,413	68.32	531,938,227	25.05	140,957,250	169,066,125
1944	2,115,063,748	1,455,194,829	68.71	517,587,944	24.47	144,280,975	215,206,984
1945	2,153,798,946	1,453,766,320	67.50	551,837,326	25.62	148,195,100	243,865,914
1946	2,160,972,214	1,482,406,559	68.60	529,705,150	24.51	148,600,505	318,114,173
1947	2,315,639,866	1,488,397,061	64.28	674,712,300	29.14	152,260,505	413,462,649
1948	2,499,222,769	1,533,713,684	61.37	811,921,135	32.46	154,187,950	474,139,556

\* Source: Department of Revenue Property Assessment Division

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Year	Total Assessed Valuation	Real Property <sup>16</sup>	Real Property Percent of Total Assessment	Personal Property (Tangible) Exclusive of Railroad	Personal Property Percent of Total Assessment	Railroad Property Percent of Total Assessment	Total Intangible Personal Property
1949.....	2,640,565,444	1,557,543,971	58.90	927,048,668	35.11	155,972,805	500,682,682
1950.....	2,719,489,560	1,586,594,626	58.34	978,066,444	35.96	154,828,490	507,602,933
1951.....	3,014,247,550	1,610,856,676	53.44	1,246,515,574	41.35	156,875,300	555,907,085
1952.....	3,104,475,679	1,670,371,892 <sup>17</sup>	53.81	1,275,736,527	41.09	158,367,520	573,707,391
1953.....	3,383,619,610 <sup>18</sup>	2,255,487,203	66.66	970,874,127	28.69	157,258,280	616,303,295
1954.....	3,043,753,089	2,030,914,111	66.72	870,580,928	28.60	142,258,050	630,066,852 <sup>11</sup>
1955.....	3,059,667,319	2,072,888,026	68.04	839,224,448	27.11	147,554,845	696,306,628
1956.....	2,955,664,238	2,099,906,982	71.05	717,248,081	24.25	138,509,175	681,728,426
1957.....	2,968,251,035	2,113,714,760	71.21	829,518,930	27.95	138,319,455	717,252,624
1958.....	3,192,817,877	2,174,291,860	68.10	849,636,484	26.61	134,401,405	762,321,077
1959.....	3,175,691,135	2,205,839,408	69.46	833,861,697	26.25	135,990,130	1,240,857,320
1960.....	3,212,807,088	2,243,524,342	69.83	870,120,735	27.10	99,162,011	1,529,115,007
1961.....	3,278,007,212	2,318,617,271	70.73	866,017,201	26.40	93,372,740	1,584,952,524
1962.....	3,367,213,876	2,371,833,963	70.43	902,065,914	26.78	89,224,590	-
1963.....	3,458,065,766	2,424,048,733	70.10	945,614,038	27.24	88,402,995	2,108,598,300
1964.....	3,553,328,531	2,470,718,926	69.53	995,576,495	28.02	86,933,110	2,501,310,940
1965.....	3,824,944,306	2,732,479,530	71.44	1,001,128,073	26.17	86,529,081	2,652,907,328
1966.....	4,334,187,613	3,159,596,852	72.90	1,086,309,231	25.06	88,281,530	2,884,000,414
1967.....	4,250,081,231	2,984,666,685	70.23	1,175,988,689	27.67	89,425,857	2,863,209,129
1968.....	4,468,372,540	3,200,919,638	71.63	1,176,104,251	26.32	91,348,451	- <sup>12</sup>
1969.....	5,134,478,973	3,849,257,487	74.97	1,199,053,359	22.35	86,187,927	1.68
1970.....	5,375,575,178	3,998,915,338	74.39	1,291,269,257	24.02	85,390,583	1.59
1971.....	5,537,901,733	4,098,047,282	74.00	1,355,531,749	24.83	84,322,702	1.52
1972.....	5,731,535,854	4,225,861,385	73.73	1,422,997,118	24.88	82,677,351	1.44
1973.....	6,077,281,894	4,399,344,363	72.39	1,595,208,108	26.25	82,729,423	1.36
1974.....	5,032,688,242	4,545,771,789	69.90	1,869,689,020	28.75	87,806,833	1.35
1975.....	6,748,224,013	4,714,977,422	69.87	1,936,470,363	28.70	96,776,228	1.43
1976.....	7,014,552,162	4,870,738,201	69.43	2,033,928,295	29.00	109,885,666	1.57
1977.....	7,617,509,159	5,090,179,350	66.82	2,408,764,867	31.62	118,424,942	1.56
1978.....	7,497,203,141	5,809,800,395	77.49	1,582,305,010	21.11	105,097,736	1.40
1979.....	11,709,501,051	9,921,248,413	84.73	1,616,594,675	13.80	171,657,963	1.47
1980.....	12,595,238,136	10,766,455,938	85.48	1,650,872,705	13.11	177,909,493	1.41
1981.....	37,323,254,040 <sup>19</sup>	31,906,074,891	84.92	5,049,099,285	13.53	578,079,864	1.50
1982.....	38,553,689,126	32,289,596,653	83.75	5,684,471,669	14.75	579,620,804	1.50

### Assessment of Nebraska Real Property, Personal Tangible and Intangible Property, and Railroads, 1867-2013 (Cont'd.)

Year	Total Assessed Valuation	Real Property <sup>16</sup>	Real Property Percent of Total Assessment	Personal Property (Tangible) Exclusive of Railroad	Personal Property Percent of Total Assessment	Railroad Property Percent of Total Assessment	Total Intangible Personal Property
1983	41,035,501,624	34,064,600,796	83.01	6,327,056,917	15.42	643,333,917	1.57
1984	41,632,906,878	34,384,265,705	82.59	6,659,041,648	15.99	589,599,525	1.42
1985	44,606,914,842	37,104,591,262	83.18	6,870,176,725	15.40	632,146,855	1.42
1986	43,925,238,519	35,970,585,552	81.89	7,176,500,759	16.34	778,112,028	1.77
1987	44,309,579,823	35,296,445,550	81.24	7,447,918,983	16.81	865,215,290	1.95
1988	44,697,049,210	36,393,161,035	81.42	7,397,672,672	16.55	906,215,503	2.03
1989	49,991,878,637	40,829,220,012	81.67	8,435,065,040	16.87	727,593,585	1.46
1990	52,725,587,844	43,171,451,761	81.88	8,789,762,416	16.67	764,373,667	1.45
1991	54,041,010,920	44,186,914,412	81.77	9,092,048,991	16.82	762,047,517	1.41
1992	56,004,491,961	46,377,140,154	82.81	8,824,345,894	15.75	803,915,913	1.44
1993	57,861,622,350	47,341,319,554	81.82	9,696,217,529	16.76	824,085,267	1.42
1994	63,265,656,295	52,051,782,739	82.27	10,285,974,593	16.26	927,898,963	1.47
1995	66,323,588,789	54,630,627,888	82.37	10,666,680,980 <sup>14</sup>	16.08	1,026,279,921	1.55
1996	70,501,578,300	57,924,806,143	82.16	11,482,465,515	16.29	1,094,306,642	1.55
1997	69,048,638,885	62,016,909,786	89.82	5,891,413,763 <sup>15</sup>	8.53	1,140,315,336	1.65
1998	74,603,633,524	67,008,740,898	89.82	6,449,831,324	8.65	1,145,061,302	1.53
1999	81,499,638,239	73,225,029,337	89.85	6,915,801,938	8.48	1,358,826,964	1.67
2000	88,307,533,325	79,685,257,667	90.24	7,119,165,417	8.06	1,503,130,241	1.70
2001	93,938,214,211	84,953,847,915	90.44	7,345,914,312	7.82	1,638,451,985	1.74
2002	98,162,679,918	88,843,723,480	90.51	7,609,223,132	7.75	1,709,733,306	1.74
2003	104,200,041,103	94,695,127,160	90.88	7,765,667,307	7.45	1,739,246,636	1.67
2004	109,123,243,710	99,963,078,318	91.61	7,279,339,135	6.67	1,880,826,257	1.72
2005	116,267,633,375	107,098,752,213	92.11	7,532,059,132	6.51	1,856,822,030	1.58
2006	125,064,178,626	115,873,475,468	92.65	7,296,698,925	5.83	1,894,604,233	1.51
2007	131,993,854,563	122,498,199,691	92.81	7,573,320,053	5.74	1,919,320,053	1.45
2008	139,910,063,115	129,349,834,846	92.45	8,425,595,986	6.02	2,134,632,284	1.53
2009	147,626,212,873	135,251,012,262	91.62	9,987,067,812	6.77	2,388,132,800	1.62
2010	154,005,148,221	140,544,220,029	91.26	10,689,035,035	6.94	2,771,893,157	1.80
2011	160,728,246,466	147,109,647,837	91.55	10,258,273,110	6.38	3,360,325,519	2.09
2012	169,958,724,711	154,935,309,785	91.16	11,337,159,368	6.67	3,682,655,538	2.17
2013	184,353,161,915	168,164,750,773	91.22	12,273,828,604	6.66	3,914,582,538	2.12

<sup>14</sup>Total contains valuation of railroad and pullman cars. Prior to 1889, no provision was made for the separate assessment of sleeping cars and dining cars.

<sup>15</sup>In this table, pullman car valuations have been included in the personal property, beginning with 1907.

## Footnotes (Cont'd.)

- <sup>3</sup>From 1921 to 1952, property was assessed at full value instead of one-fifth value, as in past years.
- <sup>4</sup>Purchasers' interest in state lands included.
- <sup>5</sup>Intangible property was assessed at one-fourth its actual value from 1922 to 1924, inclusive.
- <sup>6</sup>From 1925, the total assessment does not include valuation of intangible property, Classes A and B.
- <sup>7</sup>Intangible property was divided into two classes, A and B, in 1925. The levy on Class A intangible property was 2 1/2 mills; on Class B, 5 mills.
- <sup>8</sup>In 1929, the levy on Class B intangible property was raised to 8 mills.
- <sup>9</sup>Includes mineral interests.
- <sup>10</sup>From 1953 to 1957, property was assessed at 50 percent of value. From 1958 to 1980, property was assessed at 35 percent of value.
- <sup>11</sup>From 1954, the levy on Class B intangible property was 4 mills.
- <sup>12</sup>Tax on intangible property repealed.
- <sup>13</sup>LB187 in 1979 changed the level of assessment from 35 percent of actual value to 100 percent of actual value starting in 1981.
- <sup>14</sup>Agricultural livestock personal property exempted.
- <sup>15</sup>1997 value excludes motor vehicle values per LB271, passed in 1997.
- <sup>16</sup>Real property excludes centrally assessed railroads and public service entities.

## Department of Roads

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**Director, State Engineer:** Randall D. Peters

**Deputy Director - Engineering:** Khalil E. Jaber

**Deputy Director - Operations:** Moe Jamshidi

**Statutory Reference:** 81-101

The Department of Roads is the state agency responsible for highway, bridge, rail, public transit and other surface transportation programs. The department's duties include planning, design, construction, maintenance, operations and federal program administration.

The 1895 Legislature established the State Board of Irrigation, which was changed to the State Board of Irrigation, Highways and Drainage in 1911. In 1919, the board became the Department of Public Works and included the Bureau of Roads and Bridges, the Bureau of Irrigation, Water Power and Drainage and the Motor Vehicle Records Division. The department became the Department of Roads and Irrigation in 1933. The 1957 Legislature changed the name to Department of Roads and transferred the other functions to the Department of Motor Vehicles and the Department of Water Resources. The Nebraska State Patrol became part of the Department of Roads in 1937, but became a separate agency in 1982.

### *Director*

The director is the department's chief executive officer. The director's responsibilities include:

- implementing objectives established by the Legislature and the governor consistent with an integrated transportation system, including highway, rail and public transportation programs
- directing the planning, design, construction, maintenance, operations and administration of the department
- maintaining relationships with federal, county and municipal governments, other state agencies and private entities in matters pertaining to an improved and integrated state transportation system
- developing a performance-based Department of Roads

### Government Affairs Office

The Government Affairs Office is directly responsible to the director/state engineer. The office:

- coordinates the department's rules and regulations, including preparation, adoption, revision and repeal
- monitors and coordinates state and federal legislation affecting or of interest to the department
- acts as the department's tribal liaison
- certifies Incentive Fund payments to counties and municipalities and verifies local matching of Highway Allocation Funds

- provides examination preparation instruction for licensing candidates and general instruction for local officials and consultants in reporting, accountability and standards pertaining to road and street programs
- provides administrative support to the Board of Public Roads Classifications and Standards and the Board of Examiners for County Highway and City Street Superintendents

### **Bridge Division**

The Bridge Division has seven sections: bridge design (two), hydrology and hydraulics, in-service bridges, bridge inventory, bridge management and data and research. The division is responsible for:

- managing all bridges on the state highway system
- determining the specific scope of bridge preservation or improvements
- providing hydraulic/hydrologic studies and assessments at bridge sites
- preparing complete bridge plans and special structure plans
- inspecting in-service bridges to determine condition and load rating
- maintaining a record of bridges within the state
- coordinating bridge-related research activities
- reviewing bridge consultant engineering work, including hydrology/hydraulics, bridge design, inspection, load rating and research

### **Business Technology Support Division**

The Business Technology Support Division has two sections: technical services and project management. The division is responsible for:

- providing data processing technical services to the department's users providing LAN service operations (including backups and disaster recovery), facsimile and computer production control services for the department
- identifying, tagging, entering and maintaining the inventory of computer hardware and software
- scheduling the use of computer resources to optimize their use and service to the department
- participating in evaluating, selecting and procuring computer hardware, software and supplies for the computer operations function
- providing liaison with the Office of the CIO on computer or data communication operation, service and on technical services matters
- providing liaison with DAS/Material on IT hardware and software purchasing
- providing Help Desk services, including logging and assigning reported hardware, software and application problems to appropriate BTSD staff for resolution
- determining if application development solutions should be purchased, developed by utilizing consultant services or developed by BTSD or department personnel
- developing, implementing and administering project management standards, policies, methodologies and best practices to ensure project delivery is done efficiently
- providing technical support for department-wide applications such as MicroStation, Falcon, GIS, Crystal Enterprise and others

- developing, maintaining, and administering the various databases that store mission critical and other data that is utilized by applications throughout the department
- communicating and working with the Office of the CIO on matters concerning application development, integration and implementation

### **Communication Division**

The Communication Division is directly responsible to the deputy director for operations and has the following sections: highway communication and public affairs and communication services. The division is responsible for:

- developing and reviewing policies, programs and procedures concerning agency communication, public affairs and public involvement
- preparing and distributing information, news releases, pamphlets, brochures, newsletters and motorist advisories on highway projects, coordinating the biennial state highway map, overseeing media relations, customer service and coordinating/maintaining the department's website and multi media
- preparing, coordinating and facilitating public hearings, public meetings and public involvement for highway improvement projects
- providing transportation information resources, coordinating records and archival management, providing information processing, photo, video and multi graphics, engineering blueprints/plan printing, copying and agency mail services

### **Construction Division**

The Construction Division has the following sections: plan review, specification and estimating, construction scheduling, contracts, contract administration, bituminous and concrete, final estimates review, external civil rights/disadvantaged business enterprise, grading and structures and TRNS•Port software. The division is responsible for:

- activities relating to the letting and administration of construction contracts
- policies and actions pertaining to construction activities, standards, techniques, manuals and uniformity of application of specifications, special provisions, and inspection
- creating estimates for each job from preliminary to letting estimates
- checking and assembling final plans and proposals
- reviewing each job for constructability and determining construction working days
- prequalifying contractors, holding bid lettings, and preparing all final contracts
- monitoring all construction contract activities once contracts are signed, such as notice to proceed, subcontracts, insurance and change orders
- resolving construction issues from the field
- administering the disadvantaged business enterprise and external EEO programs
- monitoring labor rate issues

### **Controller Division**

The Controller Division has the following sections: budget and finance, accounting, financial systems and audit. The division is responsible for:

- advising on department financial matters and compliance with state statutes

and federal laws

- financial planning and programming, revenue and expenditure projections, budgeting, fund controls, financial analysis and innovative financing techniques
- accounting, budgeting, cash flow management, project finance and related systems
- analyzing proposed state and federal transportation legislation and interpreting statutes and laws
- conducting financial management analysis to determine current and future highway construction program size and to make informed business decisions

### **Human Resources Division**

The Human Resources Division has the following sections: employee services and safety, workforce development, classification, compensation, recruitment and EEO, employee performance and civil rights coordination. The division is responsible for:

- administering the department Workforce Development Program, including leadership development
- administering state and department human resources policies, including the department Human Resources Policies and Procedures Manual, rules and regulations, the labor contract, state and federal statutes and regulatory agency guidelines
- administering procedures for labor relations, disciplinary actions, grievance resolution, performance management, mediation, recruitment, classification and compensation, benefits, FLSA, EEO/AA/ADA/diversity, safety and training programs
- administering the employee safety, workers compensation, family medical leave, catastrophic illness, employee assistance, drug and alcohol testing, driving records, employee recognition, wellness and suggestion system programs
- developing policies and procedures for the administration of the department payroll, time reporting and leave accounting systems
- administering the department's civil rights program

### **Materials and Research Division**

The Materials and Research Division has the following sections: portland cement concrete, flexible pavement and quality assurance, pavement design, geotechnical, roadway asset management, research and administration support and the AASHTOWare project. The division is responsible for:

- developing material specifications and quality control standards
- determining pavement type, thickness and associated plan quantities
- inspecting, testing and reporting of construction and maintenance materials
- coordinating and/or providing certification programs for field technicians
- performing field investigations to determine material performance
- preparing material sampling guide
- determining the 20-year needs for the state's highway system
- providing pavement management reports and maintaining the pavement inventory
- providing soil and aggregate requirements
- managing and coordinating the research program
- maintaining statewide mapping and classification needs

- developing, maintaining and providing technical support for the department wide AASHTOWare project and GIS needs
- coordinating programs and projects for local agencies involving federal and state aid
- managing and coordinating the University of Nebraska-Lincoln Local Technical Assistance Program
- reviewing local public agency qualifications and assisting with training needs

### **Operations Division**

The Operations Division has two sections: operations/intelligent transportation and maintenance. The division is responsible for:

- promoting, coordinating, facilitating and assisting in all Homeland Security activities
  - formulating and implementing policies, procedures and programs pertaining to Homeland Security
  - administration and development of departmental emergency operations plan, assisting and coordinating information and activities for snow storms, floods and other emergencies
    - researching, planning, implementing, evaluating and promoting transportation technology to establish and maintain an intelligent transportation system
    - developing, implementing and monitoring the department's communications network and traffic signal equipment
    - constructing, maintaining and repairing capital facilities
    - implementing and monitoring policies governing rest areas and environmental issues
  - administering the statewide Adopt-A-Highway, hay harvesting and mowing programs
    - preparing agreements with local governmental units who assume responsibilities for the maintenance of roads, streets and bridges within their jurisdiction
    - managing the department's fleet
    - developing specifications for and requisitioning of all numbered equipment components, accessories and shop equipment
    - administering the state gas system and the Voyager fleet credit card system
    - initiating actions relative to the procurement of all stocked and non-stocked items required by the department
    - overseeing, in conjunction with the Nebraska State Patrol, the development, maintenance, support, enhancement and use of the 511 Traveler Information System
      - developing, maintaining, supporting and enhancing the Highway Conditions Reporting System software product

### **Planning and Project Development Division**

The Planning and Project Development Division has the following sections: environmental, planning and location studies, agreements and consultant services and utilities, noise and air. The division is responsible for:

- providing project scoping documents and corridor studies on selected highway projects and coordinating with local, state and federal agencies to assist in the evaluation of engineering alternatives and effects associated with highway projects
- obtaining environmental approvals, 404 permits and floodplain permits
- preparing, negotiating and administering engineering and other agreements with utilities, consultants and political subdivisions
- providing liaison with utility companies
- providing long range collaborative planning statewide
- conducting traffic counts and providing travel demand modeling
- developing and managing the department's outcome-based performance measures
- providing liaison with local officials on community planning, design of noise abatement and air studies

### **Program Management Division**

The Program Management Division includes the scheduling and programming sections. The division is responsible for:

- developing and managing the one- and six-year highway construction program with input from district engineers and the State Highway Commission
- developing a highway construction program that balances time, personnel, funds and needs scheduling the preconstruction process of all projects and coordinating the schedules with all levels of management
- maintaining computer databases with information about projects under the department's jurisdiction
- directing and accomplishing functions necessary to program and fund federal-aid projects with the Federal Highway Administration
- preparing the annual Statewide Transportation Improvement Program

### **Rail and Public Transportation Division**

The Rail and Public Transportation Division has one section: motor carrier permits/public transit. The division is responsible for:

- issuing overweight and overdimensional permits and administering department rules and regulations for overweight and overdimensional vehicles and permits
- administering the Nebraska Grade Crossing Protection Program, federal rail safety funds and all agreements with railroads where highway improvements impact railroad facilities
- administering federal and state transit assistance programs

### **Right of Way Division**

The Right of Way Division has the following sections: appraisal, negotiation and relocation, highway beautification, property management and right of way design. The division is responsible for:

- providing all real estate services to the Department of Roads
- creating right of way plans and developing legal descriptions of all real estate acquired for construction and maintenance programs

- making and reviewing appraisals establishing the value of land and interests in land
- negotiating for and purchasing real estate needed by the DOR
- managing the DOR's newly purchased property until project construction begins
- disposing of surplus real estate
- providing relocation assistance payments and services to those displaced by the

#### DOR

- managing the DOR's highway beautification program
- issuing use and occupancy permits to those wishing to occupy the DOR's right of way
- monitoring local public agencies' right of way activities to ensure compliance with applicable federal and state law and rules and regulations

### **Roadway Design Division**

The Roadway Design Division has the following sections: design support, interstate, expressways and major arterials group, urban, resurfacing and lighting and hydraulics and environmental liaison. The division is responsible for:

- determining the specific location and scope of highway improvements
- preparing complete roadway plans for the state highway system
- reviewing the one- and five-year Highway Improvement Program
- conducting value engineering reviews
- maintaining the department's design manual and standard and special plans
- performing land, geodetic and aerial surveys
- providing hydraulic/hydrologic study and assessments
- providing recommendations to the districts on right of way permit applications

### **Traffic Engineering Division**

The Traffic Engineering Division has the following sections: traffic control, traffic analysis, highway safety/accident records and the Office of Highway Safety. The division is responsible for:

- making recommendations for the functional design features of intersections, interchanges and other highway facilities
- designing signs, signals, pavement markings and other traffic control devices and preparing standards and policies for installation and maintenance
- continuing surveillance of the highway system to identify high-accident and congested locations, conducting studies of the locations and recommending or implementing actions to improve conditions
- maintaining the statewide traffic accident database
- maintaining the fatal accident reporting system database
- performing statistical analyses and preparing reports for purposes of increased highway and traffic safety
- coordinating the state property damage system
- identifying areas of loss to the agency through a risk management program
- coordinating the state's strategic highway safety plan

In 2009, the Office of Highway Safety was transferred from the Department of Motor Vehicles to the Department of Roads. This section is financed primarily with federal funding. The director of the agency serves as the governor's highway safety representative. The section is responsible for providing assistance for state and local highway safety projects and administering the state highway safety program.

### **Field Districts**

The Field Districts are responsible for all construction and maintenance of highways within their areas.

Headquarters for the Department of Roads field districts are:

District 1 .....	Lincoln	District 5 .....	Gering
District 2 .....	Omaha	District 6 .....	North Platte
District 3 .....	Norfolk	District 7 .....	McCook
District 4 .....	Grand Island	District 8 .....	Ainsworth

### **Roads Section of the Department of Justice**

The attorney general established the Roads Section of the Department of Justice, and it is housed by the Department of Roads. This section provides all legal representation and counseling concerning the legal business of the Department of Roads.



## Department of Veterans' Affairs

**Office Address:** 301 Centennial Mall South, Sixth Floor, P.O. Box 95083, Lincoln, NE 68509-5083, phone (402) 471-2458, fax (402) 471-2491, email address — john.hilgert@nebraska.gov

**Director:** John Hilgert

**Statutory Reference:** 80-401.02

The Department of Veterans' Affairs, created in 1947, serves as the advocacy agency for Nebraska's 142,443 veterans. The department, led by a director appointed by the governor and approved by the Legislature, administers the interest from the Nebraska Veterans' Aid Trust Fund to provide temporary assistance to needy veterans and their dependents.

The agency has five state veterans' service officers who represent veterans and their dependents before the U.S. Department of Veterans' Affairs.

The department operates the Nebraska State Veterans Cemetery in Alliance and maintains the Nebraska Veterans Registry. The department also administers the state's waiver of tuition and Reserve Tuition Credit programs and serves as the state's custodian of veteran discharges and grave registrations.

The director certifies the statutory eligibility of county veterans' service officers. The director must reside in Nebraska five years prior to his or her appointment, be a U.S. citizen and be an honorably discharged veteran during a period designated by Nebraska law. The Veterans' Advisory Commission is the agency's oversight body.

### *Veterans' Advisory Commission*

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**Statutory Reference:** 80-401.06

The Veterans' Advisory Commission provides counsel to the Nebraska Department of Veterans' Affairs on matters concerning veterans' advocacy and administration of the agency. The commission also approves those hired by the director for state veterans' service officer positions.

The commission also serves as the appeals board on decisions made by the department for Nebraska Veterans' Aid Fund claims.

The commission's five members are appointed by the governor to five-year terms. Each of the three congressional districts has one commissioner and two commissioners serve at large. Each commissioner must have lived in Nebraska for five years prior to appointment, be considered a wartime veteran under Nebraska law, have been honorably discharged and be a member of a recognized veterans' organization.

The commission is required to meet twice each year. Members are not paid but are reimbursed for expenses.

Member	Position	Term Expires
Jim Cada, Lincoln.....	At Large.....	March 1, 2015
Virgil A. Hagel, Gordon .....	At Large.....	March 1, 2017

John Iossi, Columbus .....	District 1.....	March 1, 2018
John Liebsack, Omaha .....	District 2.....	March 1, 2019
Billy C. Smith, Palisade.....	District 3.....	March 1, 2016

*Veterans' Homes Board*

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**Statutory Reference:** 80-318

The Veterans' Homes Board was established to determine continued eligibility of members to remain in one of the Nebraska veterans' homes. The board makes all final determinations regarding admission, or continued admission. The board also makes recommendations on matters of policy, rules and regulations, administration and maintenance pertaining to each of the Nebraska veterans' homes.

The board is composed of two members selected by each of the state's recognized veterans' organizations. The Department of Veterans' Affairs director serves as the permanent board secretary. Board members are not paid but are reimbursed for expenses.

**Member**

**Represents**

Bernard Brosnihan, Omaha.....	AMVETS
Jim Cada, Lincoln.....	Military Order of the Purple Heart
Roger Franklin, Omaha.....	Disabled American Veterans
Virgil Hagel, Gordon.....	American Legion
John Hilgert, Omaha.....	Director, Department of Veterans' Affairs
Gregory Holloway, Bee.....	Vietnam Veterans of America
John Liebsack, Omaha.....	Veterans of Foreign Wars
Richard McKibben, Omaha.....	American Legion
Chuck Ogle, Kearney.....	Disabled American Veterans
Dennis Schissel, Weston.....	Vietnam Veterans of America
John Scott, Crescent, Iowa.....	Paralyzed Veteran of America
Randy Squier, Glenwood, Iowa.....	Paralyzed Veterans of America
Dennis Sweeney, Omaha.....	AMVETS
Jim Varejcka, Hickman.....	Military Order of the Purple Heart
Eric Williams, Geneva.....	Veterans of Foreign Wars

## Nebraska State Government Organization — Executive Branch<sup>1</sup> Executive Agencies<sup>2</sup> Not Subject to Governor's Direct Control (Noncode Agencies)

Abstracters Board of Examiners	Accountability and Disclosure Commission	Accountancy Board of Public	* Auditor of Public Accounts	* Barber Examiners Board of	Blind and Visually Impaired, Commission for	Brand Committee	* Colleges, Board of Trustees of State	Corn Board	Dairy Industrial Development Board, Nebraska	Deaf and Hard of Hearing, Commission for
		Advocacy Commission on Public	Attorney General/Justice Department							
		Arts Council								
		Educational Telecommunications Commission	Engineers & Architects, Board of	Equal Opportunity Commission	Ethanol Board	Foster Care Review Office	Game and Parks Commission	Geologists, Board of	Grain Sorghum Board	Historical Society, State
Dry Bean Commission	* Education, Department of <sup>3</sup>	* Educational Lands and Funds, Board of	Electrical Board/Division, State							
		Investment Council	Land Surveyors, Board of Examiners for	Lieutenant Governor	Library Commission	Liquor Control Commission	Motor Vehicle Industry Licensing Board	Oil & Gas Conservation Commission	Parole, Board of/Pardons, Board of	* Post-Secondary Education, Coordinating Commission for
Indian Affairs, Commission on	* Industrial Relations, Commission of		Landscape Architects, Board of	Latino American Commission						
		Racing Commission	Real Estate Appraiser Board	Real Estate Commission	Retirement Board, Public Employees	Tax Equalization and Review Commission	Tourism Commission	Treasurer, State	University of Nebraska Board of Regents	Wheat Board
Power Review Board	* Public Service Commission				Secretary of State					

<sup>1</sup> Source: Governor's Policy Research Office.

<sup>2</sup> Including elected officials' offices.

<sup>3</sup> Includes State Board of Education and commissioner of education (appointed by board). Starred items are offices and agencies established in the Nebraska Constitution.

## NONCODE AGENCIES

**Editor's Note:** Noncode agencies are state government agencies not subject to the governor's direct control. All are full-fledged agencies, meaning they have their own staff, are affiliated with no other agency and appear as a distinct item in the state budget. All statutory references in this section indicate where each agency was created in the Nebraska Constitution, Revised Statutes of Nebraska or both, unless otherwise noted. Appointees to boards, commissions, councils, committees and other state governmental bodies serve until they resign or are replaced after their terms expire.

### Abstracters Board of Examiners

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**Director:** Mardy McCullough

**Statutory Reference:** 76-540

The Abstracters Board of Examiners reviews licensees' practices under the Abstracters Act. The board regulates the registration and certification of individual abstracters and abstracting companies in the state. The board also supervises continuing education programs, investigates complaints and conducts hearings. The board's mission is to ensure Nebraska real estate buyers, or those making payments to be secured by property, are fully informed of that property's legal status.

The board has five governor-appointed members, and no member may be appointed to succeed himself or herself. Three members must be registered abstracters working in the business for at least five years, and one member must be a lawyer with a real estate law background. The fifth member represents the public. No more than two members may be from the same county. At least one member must be from a county having a first class city as its largest city, and at least one member must be from a county with a second class city as its largest city. No two board members can have the same employer. Members serve five-year terms.

The board meets at least twice each year. Members are reimbursed for expenses and paid \$50 per day when conducting board business.

Member	Position	Term Expires
Judith Farmer, Lincoln.....	Abstracter, 1st Class City.....	Nov. 18, 2015
Roy Hahn, Fremont.....	Attorney, 2nd Class City.....	Nov. 18, 2019
John S. Laffin, Lincoln.....	At Large.....	Nov. 18, 2018
Deborah L. Scott, Omaha.....	Abstracter.....	Nov. 18, 2016
Jason White, Broken Bow.....	Abstracter, 1st Class City.....	Nov. 18, 2017

## Nebraska Accountability and Disclosure Commission

**Office Address:** State Capitol, 11th Floor, P.O. Box 95086, Lincoln, NE 68509-5086, phone (402) 471-2522, fax (402) 471-6599, email address — frank.daley@nebraska.gov, website — www.nadc.nebraska.gov

**Executive Director:** Frank Daley

**Statutory Reference:** 49-14,105

The 1976 Legislature created the Nebraska Accountability and Disclosure Commission through the enactment of the Nebraska Political Accountability and Disclosure Act. This act became effective July 1, 1977.

The commission is an independent state government administrative agency. Under the act, the commission administers and enforces state ethics laws, campaign finance laws and lobbying laws. The commission has the authority to issue advisory opinions, adopt rules and regulations, conduct investigations into possible violations of the act and assess civil penalties against anyone found to have violated the act.

The ethics provisions of the act require certain public officials and public employees on state and local levels to file annual statements that disclose their personal financial interests. Written disclosures of potential conflicts of interest must be filed by certain categories of public officials and public employees. The ethics provisions of the act also regulate the hiring or employment of immediate family members, prohibit the use of a public position for personal financial gain and prohibit the use of government resources, property, personnel or funds for nongovernmental purposes.

The lobbying provisions of the act require those attempting to influence the actions of the Legislature on behalf of another to register with the Clerk of the Legislature. The registration discloses the identity of the principal for which the lobbyist is lobbying. Lobbyists and principals file quarterly reports disclosing receipts and expenditures for lobbying purposes. Lobbyists must file statements after the legislative session disclosing the issues they lobbied for or against. The lobbying provisions of the act also restrict the gifts that lobbyists and principals may provide to officials and employees in the executive and legislative branches of government.

The commission consists of eight appointed members and the secretary of state. The governor appoints four members of the commission. Two are appointed from lists of not less than five names submitted by the Legislature and two are appointed from the citizenry at large. The secretary of state appoints four members. One is appointed from a list of no less than five names submitted by the chairperson of the state Democratic Party and one from a list of no less than five persons submitted by the chairperson of the state Republican Party. The secretary of state appoints two from the citizenry at large. The act establishes a geographical and political balance for the commission's appointed membership. No more than three of the appointed members may reside in the same congressional district. No more than four of the appointed members may be registered in the same political party and one must be a registered independent. Appointed members serve six-year terms.

The commission meets approximately eight times per year. Members receive reimbursement for expenses.

Member	Position	Term Expires
Kevin Brostrom, Grand Island (R) <sup>1</sup>	District 3, At Large, Governor's Appointee	June 30, 2015
Sean Conway, Omaha (D)	District 2, Legislative List, Governor's Appointee	June 30, 2018
Joseph Grant, Omaha (D)	District 2, Democratic List, Secretary of State's Appointee	June 30, 2015
Paul Hosford, Albion (D)	District 3, Legislative List, Governor's Appointee	June 30, 2014
Andrew Loudon, Lincoln (R)	District 1, Republican List, Secretary of State's Appointee	June 30, 2019
Janet Mumm, Syracuse (I)	District 1, At Large, Secretary of State's Appointee	June 30, 2015
Timothy M. Schulz, Fremont (R)	District 1, At Large, Secretary of State's Appointee	June 30, 2017
R. Brad von Gillern, Omaha (R)	District 2, At Large, Governor's Appointee	June 30, 2016
John A. Gale, Lincoln (R)	Secretary of State	Nonexpiring

## Nebraska State Board of Public Accountancy

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**Executive Director:** Dan Sweetwood

**Statutory Reference:** 1-107

**Publications:** Roster; rules and regulations of Nebraska State Board of Public Accountancy; annual letter

The 1957 Legislature abolished the Board of Examiners of Public Accountants, which had existed since 1909, and created the Nebraska State Board of Public Accountancy. The board adopts and amends its operating rules within NAC Title 288 and regulations and administers the public accountancy act.

The board also promulgates and amends rules of professional conduct for public accountancy. The board uses the Uniform Certified Public Accountants' Examination to examine candidates and requires two years of experience to become a certified public accountant in Nebraska. Money and fees received by the board are deposited in a separate fund called the Public Accountants' Fund, which is appropriated by the Legislature to operate the board's office.

The board has eight members appointed by the governor to four-year terms. Members include two representatives of the public and six active certified public accountants, two each from the three congressional districts.

In 1991, the Legislature established an educational advisory committee (statutory reference: 1-113) for assisting the board to implement increased educational requirements for candidates taking the CPA examination after Jan. 1, 1998.

The board meets every other month. Members are paid \$100 a day when conducting board business and are reimbursed for expenses.

<sup>1</sup> Political party affiliation: R=Republican; D=Democrat; I=Independent.

Member	Position	Term Expires
Lori Druse, Lincoln	CPA, District 1	Sept. 20, 2015
Janeth “Jan” Glenn, LaVista	Public Member	Sept. 20, 2015
Bernie Gutschewski, Omaha	Public Member	Sept. 20, 2018
Marcy Luth, Grand Island	CPA, District 3	Sept. 20, 2014
Michael McClure, Lincoln	CPA, District 1	Sept. 20, 2016
Thomas Purcell, Omaha	CPA, District 2	Sept. 20, 2017
Michele “Shelly” Stromp, Elkhorn	CPA, District 2	Sept. 20, 2016
Glen Waltemath, North Platte	CPA, District 3	Sept. 20, 2017

## Commission on Public Advocacy

**Office Address:** The Apothecary, 140 N. 8th St., Suite 270, P.O. Box 98932, Lincoln, NE 68509-8932, phone (402) 471-7774, fax (402) 471-8087, email — [jmowbray@ncpa.ne.gov](mailto:jmowbray@ncpa.ne.gov), website — [www.ncpa.ne.gov](http://www.ncpa.ne.gov)

**Chief Counsel:** James R. Mowbray

**Statutory Reference:** 29-3919

The Nebraska Commission on Public Advocacy was created in 1995 to provide property tax relief to counties that represent indigent defendants charged with first-degree murder and serious violent or drug-related felonies, including juvenile cases at trial and on direct appeal. The commission also provides legal assistance to public defenders and court-appointed attorneys. The system provides property tax relief because counties do not pay for legal services and associated costs. The commission is totally cash funded by court costs and filing fees.

LB729, which became law on Jan. 1, 1998, gave the commission additional duties. The bill created the Legal Aid and Services Fund. The commission uses the fund money to provide civil legal services to eligible low-income persons. The commission has established eligibility criteria and guidelines to assist in annually performing the following: confirming service areas and the priorities for providing the legal services for all service areas; accepting applications for certification from entities interested in providing free civil legal services to eligible low-income persons and certifying one or more service providers for each service area, with such certification entitling the service provider to a distribution of funds.

In the 2013 state budget bill, the Legislature required that \$1 million of National Foreclosure Settlement funds be deposited into the Legal Aid and Services Fund over a two-year period. These funds are to be distributed to civil legal service providers who serve low-income Nebraskans to avoid preventable foreclosures, ameliorate the effects of the foreclosure crisis and fund housing counselors, state and local foreclosure assistance hotlines and foreclosure mediation programs, legal assistance, housing remediation and anti-blight projects. The commission is tasked with establishing application criteria and guidelines, receiving applications and awarding funds to qualified providers.

LB655, the DNA Testing Act, took effect Sept. 1, 2001. The act allows convicted inmates to request DNA testing of biological evidence that might establish their innocence. If the district court grants the request for DNA testing, the act requires the Commission on Public Advocacy to represent indigent prisoners and pay for the DNA testing from the commission’s operating cash budget.

In 2008, LB1014 created the Legal Education for Public Service Loan Repayment Fund to provide educational loan forgiveness to lawyers employed in the area of non-profit public legal service. The fund was to be financed by donations, but none were received. In 2014, LB907 revised the law to provide funding for the Legal Education for Public Service and Rural Practice Loan Repayment Assistance Fund. The purpose of the fund is to strengthen legal assistance for low-income Nebraskans by providing educational loan assistance to attorneys who are employed in nonprofit public legal service; who may have language skills other than English; and who are employed in legal profession shortage areas in Nebraska. Commission duties have been to reassemble the board in order to revise program guidelines and the application packet. Next steps will include informing Nebraska attorneys of the program, receiving and reviewing applications, granting awards and disbursing funds.

LB35, which became law in 2009, turned over operation of the Civil Legal Services Fund to the commission. Previously, the fund was administered by the State Court Administrator's office. The fund provides grants to civil legal services providers who receive funds from the federal Legal Services Corporation to provide free services to low-income individuals. The money in this fund also is derived from filing fees and court costs.

The commission consists of nine members appointed by the governor from a list of attorneys submitted by the executive council of the Nebraska State Bar Association after consultation with the board of directors of the Nebraska Criminal Defense Attorneys Association. A member is appointed from each of the six state Supreme Court districts, and three members are appointed at large. Members must belong to the Nebraska State Bar Association and have substantial experience in criminal defense work. They may not be prosecutors, law enforcement officials or judges during their terms of office. Members serve six-year terms. The governor designates the chairperson of the commission. Members are reimbursed for expenses.

The commission appoints a chief counsel to manage the Legal Aid and Services Fund, Civil Legal Services Fund, Legal Education for Public Service and Rural Practice Loan Repayment Assistance Fund and the divisions of the commission. The divisions are the capital litigation division, which aids in the defense of Nebraska capital cases; the violent crime and drug defense division, which aids in the defense of such cases; the appellate division, which prosecutes appeals to the Nebraska Court of Appeals and the Supreme Court; the DNA testing division, which aids in representation of such cases and helps pay for DNA testing; and the major case resource center, which helps public defenders, contracting attorneys or court-appointed attorneys in felony representation.

<b>Member</b>	<b>Represents</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Jackie Barfield, Omaha	At Large	Nov. 3, 2017
Jonathan M. Braaten, Lincoln	At Large	Nov. 3, 2019
Julia A. Effenbeck, Fairbury	District 5	Nov. 3, 2019
Nancy S. Freburg, Kearney	District 6	Nov. 3, 2017
Robert P. Lindemeier, North Platte	At Large	Nov. 3, 2015
Coleen J. Nielsen, Lincoln	District 1	Nov. 3, 2017
Douglas J. Stratton, Norfolk	District 3	Nov. 3, 2015
Thomas P. Strigenz, Papillion	District 4	Nov. 3, 2015
Horacio J. Wheelock, Omaha	District 2	Nov. 3, 2019

## Nebraska Arts Council

**Office Address:** 1004 Farnam St., Lower Level, Omaha, NE 68102, phone (402) 595-2122, toll-free phone (800) 341-4067, website — [www.nebraskartscouncil.org](http://www.nebraskartscouncil.org)

**Executive Director:** Suzanne T. Wise

**Statutory Reference:** 82-309

The 1965 Legislature created the Nebraska Arts Council to improve the state’s cultural resources. The original act was repealed in 1973 and replaced with new legislation creating a 15-member council, which is charged to “stimulate and encourage throughout the state the study and presentation of the performing and fine arts and public interest and participation therein.”

Council members are appointed by the governor, with legislative approval, for three-year terms. Members must be Nebraskans and known for their professional competence and experience or long-standing interest in the arts. The council oversees agency policy and makes final decisions on grant awards as recommended by review panels. The council meets four times a year. Members are not paid but are reimbursed for expenses.

The Nebraska Arts Council promotes the arts, cultivates resources and supports excellence in artistic endeavors for all Nebraskans by providing grants that support arts activities, developing leadership initiatives and offering publications and reference services available upon request.

The council’s budget from legislative appropriation is supplemented by grants from the National Endowment for the Arts. The council’s budget is granted each year to support arts activities statewide, including basic support grants for local arts councils and arts organizations such as symphonies, art museums, community theaters and dance companies; arts education activities, including artists in the schools; grants for arts and cultural activities organized by schools, community groups and multicultural groups; and fee subsidies for Nebraska performing arts events and exhibitions.

Nebraska Arts Council grants require matching funds or services and are subject to outside review by panels of individuals selected for their expertise in the field. Panelists are selected to represent a balance of geographic, artistic and ethnic interests. Grant review panel deliberations are open to the public, and their recommendations are forwarded to the council for approval.

The NAC supports individual artists with a variety of services. Nebraska artists, writers, composers and choreographers may apply for competitive fellowships, and all Nebraska artists and performers are eligible to apply for inclusion in the artist directory, which schools and communities use to select artists for residencies and performing opportunities. Additionally, the Arts Council has a multicultural initiative and special programs to highlight Nebraska’s traditional artists.

The council is responsible for the Governor’s Arts Awards, the Governor’s Mansion exhibition program and administering the One Percent for Art program for the state. The council collaborates with Mid-America Arts Alliance and other state and federal agencies in a number of activities.

**Member**

**Term Expires**

Kim West Dinsdale, Grand Island .....	Sept. 2, 2016
Patrick Drickey, Omaha .....	Sept. 2, 2015

Timothy D. Hart, Omaha .....	Sept. 2, 2017
Candy Henning, Lincoln .....	Sept. 2, 2016
Jon Hinrichs, Lincoln .....	Sept. 2, 2017
Darrel J. Huenergardt, Lincoln .....	Sept. 2, 2017
Julie Jacobson, North Platte .....	Sept. 2, 2017
Mark Laughlin, Omaha .....	Sept. 2, 2016
Kathryn LeBaron, Lincoln .....	Sept. 2, 2015
Melissa Marvin, Omaha .....	Sept. 2, 2016
Sherry McClymont, Holdrege .....	Sept. 2, 2015
Stephanie Metz O’Keefe, Omaha .....	Sept. 2, 2015
Paula Pflueger, Norfolk .....	Sept. 2, 2016
Pam Price, Grand Island .....	Sept. 2, 2017
Sue M. Roush, York .....	Sept. 2, 2017

## Board of Barber Examiners

**Office Address:** 521 S. 14th St., Executive Building, First Floor, P.O. Box 94723, Lincoln, NE 68509-4723, phone (402) 471-2051, fax (402) 471-2052, email address — [barbers.board@nebraska.gov](mailto:barbers.board@nebraska.gov), website — [www.barbers.state.ne.us](http://www.barbers.state.ne.us)

**Director:** Ken Allen

**Statutory Reference:** 71-221

**Publications:** Laws, rules and regulations governing barbers, barber shops and schools of barbering; sanitation rules; newsletter

The 1927 Legislature created the Board of Barber Examiners as an agency of the Department of Public Welfare. In 1943, the Legislature transferred the board to the Department of Health’s jurisdiction. The 1963 Legislature established the board as an independent agency to administer state barbering laws. The board:

- issues licenses
- administers licensing exams
- inspects barber shops and schools for sanitation
- investigates complaints and conducts hearings
- negotiates reciprocal barbering licensing agreements
- sets rules and regulations for the administration of barbering laws

The board has three members, appointed by the governor, who serve three-year terms. The governor usually appoints one member from each Nebraska U.S. congressional district, although this is not required by state law. Members must be practicing barbers.

The board meets at least four times a year, and is supported entirely by fees assessed to licensees. Members are paid \$75 a day when conducting board business and are reimbursed for travel expenses.

Member	Represents	Term Expires
Arthur L. Lyle III, Omaha .....	District 2 .....	Nov. 30, 2015
Timothy K. Rehm, Holdrege .....	District 3 .....	Nov. 30, 2016
Dwayne G. Rice, Lincoln .....	District 1 .....	Nov. 30, 2017

## Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired

**Office Address:** 4600 Valley Road, Suite 100, Lincoln, NE 68510-4844, phone (402) 471-2891, toll-free (877) 809-2419, website — [www.ncbvi.ne.gov/](http://www.ncbvi.ne.gov/)

**Executive Director:** Dr. Pearl Van Zandt

**Other Offices:** 1313 Farnam on the Mall, Third Floor, Omaha, NE 68102-1822, phone (402) 595-2041; 200 S. Silber Ave., Room 124, North Platte, NE 68101-4219, phone (308) 535-8170; 214 N. Seventh St., Suite 11, Norfolk, NE 68701-4083, phone (402) 370-3436; 906 E. 25th St., Kearney, NE 68847-4603, phone (308) 865-5440; 505 A Broadway, Ste. 700, Scottsbluff, NE 69361-3515, phone (308) 632-1304

**Statutory Reference:** 71-8604

The 2000 Legislature passed LB352, which created the Nebraska Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired. The board carries out the act, which provides for services to assist blind persons in gaining remunerative employment, enlarge economic opportunities for blind persons, increase the available occupational range and diversity for blind persons and stimulate other efforts to aid blind persons in becoming self-supportive.

The board has five members appointed by the governor. The board shall consist of members having reasonable knowledge or experience in issues related to blindness and shall be appointed for staggered terms. Subsequent appointments shall be for terms of four years with no board members appointed to more than two consecutive terms. At least three board members shall be blind persons. One member shall be a member or designee of the National Federation of the Blind of Nebraska; one member shall be a member or designee of the American Council of the Blind of Nebraska; and one member may be a member of another consumer organization of the blind. Board members shall receive a per diem of \$70 for each day spent in the performance of their official duties and shall be reimbursed expenses.

Member	Position	Term Expires
Mike Hansen, Lincoln .....	National Federation of the Blind of Nebraska Designee.....	Dec. 31, 2015
James Jirak, Omaha.....	American Council of the Blind of Nebraska Designee.....	Dec. 31, 2015
Julie Johnson, York .....	Blind Consumer .....	Dec. 31, 2015
Robert L. Newman, Omaha.....	Blind Consumer .....	Dec. 31, 2017
Becky Rieken, Kearney.....	Blind Consumer .....	Dec. 31, 2017

## Nebraska Brand Committee

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**Executive Director:** Steven F. Stanec

**Statutory Reference:** 54-191

The 1941 Legislature created the Nebraska Brand Committee to protect Nebraska brand and livestock owners from livestock theft through a brand recording, brand inspection and livestock theft investigation staff.

The committee’s hired director keeps a record of all proceedings, transactions,

communications and official committee acts. He or she also keeps committee records and performs other duties as the committee requires. The executive director serves as the chief brand investigator, the chief brand inspector and the Brand Committee head. Currently, the executive director also serves as brand recorder.

The committee records all new brands, brand transfers and brand renewals and keeps a recorded brand book. About 34,000 brands are recorded in Nebraska.

The committee's hired investigative staff reports thefts or missing livestock and identifies the owners of strays or cattle with an unknown owner.

An average of 45 full-time inspectors and 48 intermittent inspectors inspect all cattle moved from any point in a brand area to anywhere outside the area and all cattle that change ownership. Inspection fees pay for the agency's operations. During the 2012-13 fiscal year, 4,032,540 head of cattle were inspected. A total of 10,107 head of cattle were held for proof of ownership during this period.

The Nebraska Brand Committee is composed of five members appointed by the governor to four-year terms. At least three members must be active cattlemen and at least one must be an active feeder in Nebraska's brand inspection area. Members must own cattle within the brand area, be brand owners and have cattle raising or feeding as their principal occupation. The committee meets quarterly. Members are not paid but are reimbursed for expenses.

The secretary of state and the director of agriculture, or their designees, shall be nonvoting, ex officio members of the Brand Committee.

Member	Position	Term Expires
Linda R. Andersen, Lakeside.....	Rancher.....	Aug. 28, 2015
Jerry Kuenning, Imperial.....	Feeder.....	Aug. 28, 2016
James Lee, Valentine.....	Rancher.....	Aug. 28, 2015
Jerry Meyring, Alliance.....	Rancher.....	Aug. 28, 2018
Joe Pongratz, O'Neill.....	Rancher.....	Aug. 28, 2017

## Board of Trustees of the Nebraska State College System<sup>2</sup>

**Office Address:** 27 H St., Suite 200, Lincoln, NE 68508, phone (402) 471-2505, fax (402) 471-2669, email address — ktande@nscs.edu, website — www.nscs.edu

**Chancellor:** Stan Carpenter

**Statutory References:** Nebraska Constitution, Article VII, Section 13; and 85-301

The Board of Trustees of the Nebraska State College System has control of Nebraska's state colleges at Chadron, Peru and Wayne. The mission of the Nebraska State College System (NSCS) is to serve students, communities and the state by providing high quality, accessible educational opportunities.

The state colleges aim to:

- provide a safe, stimulating, caring and enriching learning experience
- meet the changing needs of students and the state

<sup>2</sup>For more information on Nebraska's three state colleges, see Pages 896-899.

- assure financial and geographic access to NSCS institutions
- offer a variety of academic programs
- maintain affordable tuition and fees
- foster cooperative ventures among NSCS institutions and other agencies and organizations
  - emphasize participation in public service
  - recruit and retain quality faculty and staff.

The Board of Trustees of the Nebraska State College System is responsible for policy oversight of the NSCS. The board governs the system with guidance from the Nebraska Constitution and state statutes. Corporate bylaws, the NSCS Policy Manual and collective bargaining agreements with faculty, professional staff and support staff provide further guidance and structure for system operations.

The board was created by an 1867 law. Through a 1921 constitutional amendment, normal school government was vested in a seven-member board called the Board of Education of State Normal Schools. Normal schools were renamed state schools by the 1936 Legislature. The board’s name was changed to its current name in 1969. Later that year, the Legislature made the board a public corporation so it could issue bonds to build dormitories and other student service buildings.

The board has seven members, six of whom are appointed by the governor to six-year terms with legislative approval. The Nebraska commissioner of education serves as an ex officio member. The governor also annually appoints a nonvoting student board member from each of the state colleges.

The board meets as necessary, generally six times a year. Members are not paid but are reimbursed for expenses.

<b>Member</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Gary Bieganski, Chadron.....	Vice Chair.....	Jan. 1, 2017
John Chaney, Auburn.....	Trustee.....	Jan. 1, 2019
Robert Engles, Auburn.....	Trustee.....	Jan. 1, 2019
Rachel Henry, Auburn.....	Student Trustee.....	May 1, 2015
Matthew Mullins, Falls City.....	Student Trustee.....	May 1, 2015
Carter “Cap” Peterson, Wayne.....	Trustee.....	Jan. 1, 2017
Jacob Rissler, Gillette, Wyo. ....	Student Trustee.....	May 1, 2015
Michelle Suarez, Lincoln.....	Chair.....	Jan. 1, 2021
Jess Zeiss, Omaha.....	Trustee.....	Jan. 1, 2021
Matt Blomstedt, Central City.....	Commissioner of Education.....	Ex Officio

## Corn Development, Utilization and Marketing Board

**Office Address:** 301 Centennial Mall South, Fourth Floor, P.O. Box 95107, Lincoln, NE 68509-5107, phone (402) 471-2676, website — [www.nebraskacorn.org](http://www.nebraskacorn.org)

**Executive Director:** Kelly Brunkhorst

**Statutory Reference:** 2-3604

**Publications:** Quarterly report; program educational materials

The Corn Development, Utilization and Marketing Board was created by the Corn

Resources Act of 1978. The board administers a self-help program for corn producers that is paid for by a one-half of 1 cent per-bushel checkoff, paid by the corn producer and collected by the first buyer. The board uses this money for market development, research, promotion and education.

To provide an international and domestic market development program for corn producers, the board works with the U.S. Grains Council, the U.S. Meat Export Federation and the National Corn Growers Association. The board publishes a quarterly report and educational materials to tell producers how program money is being spent.

The University of Nebraska's Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources conducts research projects on production, environment and development of new industrial uses for corn with the support of checkoff funds.

Eight board members are appointed by the governor, with one each coming from the state's eight corn districts. The governor selects each appointee from candidates who have filed petitions with the board. Petitions must be signed by 50 growers from their district. Board members must be at least 21 years old and Nebraska citizens who have grown corn in the state for at least five years before their appointment. Members must derive considerable income from growing corn to be qualified. The board chooses an at-large ninth member. Members serve three-year terms.

Ex officio board members include the director of the Nebraska Department of Agriculture, the vice chancellor of the Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources, and the Nebraska Corn Growers Association president.

The Corn Board meets at least four times a year. Members receive \$25 a day when working on board business and are reimbursed for expenses.

Member	Represents	Term Expires
Deborah Borg, Allen	District 4	June 21, 2016
David Bruntz, Friend	District 1	June 21, 2016
Dennis Gengenbach, Smithfield	District 6	June 21, 2015
John Greer, Edgar	District 2	June 20, 2017
Jon Holzfafter, Paxton	District 8	June 21, 2015
Brandon Hunnicutt, Giltner	District 3	June 30, 2017
David A. Merrell, St. Edward	District 7	June 21, 2015
Tim Scheer, St. Paul	District 5	June 21, 2016
Alan Tiemann, Seward	At Large	June 20, 2014
Joel Grams, Minden	Nebraska Corn Growers	Ex Officio
Greg Ibach, Lincoln	Director of Agriculture	Ex Officio
Jeff Noel, Lincoln	UNL Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources	Ex Officio

## Nebraska Dairy Industry Development Board

**Contact Person:** Rod Johnson, Administrator, 6409 Tanglewood Lane, Lincoln, NE 68516, phone (402) 853-2028, email address — [rjohnson@midwestdairy.com](mailto:rjohnson@midwestdairy.com)

**Statutory Reference:** 2-3951

The Legislature created the Dairy Industry Development Board in 1992 as a contingency measure in the event Congress repeals federal legislation governing dairy promotion programs. The state board was granted authority to act when such a federal

order went into effect.

Currently, 15 cents per hundredweight of milk is collected by “first purchasers” of commercial milk. Ten cents of that amount is remitted to the Nebraska Dairy Industry Development Board, while the remainder is remitted to the National Dairy Board. The funds are used to promote the use of dairy products.

Board members must be residents of the state who are at least 21 years old and who have been actively engaged in the production of milk for at least five years. To qualify for membership, a substantial portion of income must be derived from milk production.

Milk producers choose nominees among themselves for board membership. First purchasers of milk select candidates from the nominees whose names are forwarded to the governor. The governor selects one-half of the submitted candidates to serve three-year terms.

<b>Member</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
James Eschliman, Ericson .....	Nov. 1, 2017
Michael Henn, Norfolk .....	Nov. 1, 2015
Douglas Temme, Wayne.....	Nov. 1, 2016
Lowell Mueller, Hooper .....	Nov. 1, 2017
David Murman, Glenvil.....	Nov. 1, 2017
Kent Pulfer, Wayne .....	Nov. 1, 2016
William Thiele, Clearwater.....	Nov. 1, 2016
Bobbie Kriz-Wickham, Lincoln.....	Ex Officio

## Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing

**Office Address:** 4600 Valley Road, Suite 420, Lincoln, NE 68510-4844, phone (402) 471-3593 (V/TTD), toll-free phone (800) 545-6244, website — [www.ncdhh.nebraska.gov](http://www.ncdhh.nebraska.gov)

**Executive Director:** John C. Wyvill

**Statutory Reference:** 71-4728

The Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing advocates public policies and programs to improve existing services for the deaf and hard of hearing and promotes the development of new services. The commission provides information on hearing loss and available services to the public.

The commission has nine members appointed by the governor to three-year terms with approval of the Legislature. Members include three deaf persons, three hard of hearing persons and three persons who have an interest in and knowledge of deafness and hearing loss issues. A majority of the members who are deaf and hard of hearing shall be able to express themselves through sign language. Members must be familiar with the problems the deaf and hard of hearing face in Nebraska.

The commission meets four times a year. Members are not paid but are reimbursed for expenses.

<b>Member</b>	<b>Represents</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Mike Brummer, Omaha .....	Hearing.....	Jan. 31, 2016
Gina Frerichs, Columbus .....	Hard of Hearing.....	Jan. 31, 2017
John Hogue, Falls City.....	Hard of Hearing.....	Jan. 31, 2015
Carol Lomicky, Kearney.....	Deaf .....	Jan. 31, 2017
Steven Manning, Omaha.....	Deaf .....	Jan. 31, 2015

Jan Moore, Kearney.....	Hearing.....	Jan. 31, 2015
Diane Muelleman, Omaha.....	Hard of Hearing.....	Jan. 31, 2015
Margie Propp, Lincoln.....	Hearing.....	Jan. 31, 2016
Frank Turk, Omaha.....	Deaf.....	Jan. 31, 2017

*Interpreter Review Board*

**Contact Person:** John Wyvill, Executive Director, Nebraska Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing, 4600 Valley Road, Suite 420, Lincoln, NE 68510-4844, phone (402) 471-3593, email address — john.wyvill@nebraska.gov, website — www.ncdhh.ne.gov

The Interpreter Review Board administers the licensing and evaluation of sign language interpreters.

The board consists of eight members appointed by the Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing. Members include the director of the Department of Health and Human Services or a designee, the executive director of the Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing or a designee, two deaf or hard of hearing persons, two qualified interpreters and two members representing local government.

<b>Member</b>	<b>Represents</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Pat Bracken, Lincoln.....	Local Government.....	June 2017
Pamela Duncan, Omaha.....	Interpreter.....	June 2017
Bethany Koubsky, Omaha.....	Interpreter.....	June 2015
Cheryl Poff, Omaha.....	Local Government.....	June 2016
Jerry Siders, Omaha.....	Deaf.....	June 2015
Vacant.....	Deaf.....	June 2013
Vonda Apking, Lincoln.....	Department of Health and Human Services.....	Nonexpiring
John Wyvill, Lincoln.....	Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing.....	Nonexpiring

**Dry Bean Commission**

**Office Address:** 4502 Ave. I, Scottsbluff, NE 69361, phone (308) 632-1258, fax (308) 632-1371, email address — driediblebeans@nebraska.gov, website — www.nebraskadrybean.com

**Administrative Assistant:** Lynn Reuter

**Statutory Reference:** 2-3745

The Dry Bean Commission was established to encourage dry bean growers and processors to develop and work in research, education and promotion of dry bean and bean product programs. The commission also provides a way for Nebraska dry bean growers and processors to finance programs to achieve the purposes of the Dry Bean Resources Act.

The commission has 10 members. Six must be bean growers and three must be dry bean processors. The director of the Panhandle Research and Extension Center serves as an ex officio member.

Of the six grower members, four are appointed by the governor and represent the four dry bean districts. The other two are at-large members appointed by the commission, with one representing districts 1 and 2 and the other representing districts 3

and 4. Members serve three-year terms and cannot serve more than two terms. Grower member candidates must submit an application and a petition signed by at least 10 dry bean growers living in the candidate’s district. Each candidate must be a Nebraska resident who is at least 21 years old, has been a dry bean grower in the state for at least three years and makes much of his or her income from growing dry beans.

Dry bean processors are appointed by the governor in the same way as growers, serve the same length of terms and meet the same application requirements. Each candidate must be a Nebraska resident and have been in business in Nebraska for at least three years.

The commission meets at least four times per year. Members are not paid but are reimbursed for expenses.

<b>Member</b>	<b>Position</b>
Cindi Allen, Ogallala.....	Grower, District 4
Steve Benzel, Alliance.....	Grower, District 1
Nolan Berry, Gering.....	Processor
Brian Kaman, Scottsbluff.....	Processor
Rodney Loose, Mitchell.....	Grower at Large, Districts 1 and 2
Courtney Schuler, Gering.....	Processor
Wesley Ullrich, Mitchell.....	Grower, District 2
Jack Whittier, Scottsbluff.....	Director, Panhandle Research and Extension Center
Vacant.....	Grower, District 3
Vacant.....	Grower at Large, District 3 and 4

## State Board of Education/ State Board of Vocational Education

**Contact Person:** Matt Blomstedt, Commissioner of Education, Nebraska State Department of Education, 301 Centennial Mall South, Sixth Floor, P.O. Box 94987, Lincoln, NE 68509-4987, phone (402) 471-5020

Statutory References: Nebraska Constitution, Article VII, Sections 2 and 3; and 79-301, 79-321 and 79-740

The State Board of Education is an elected, constitutional body that sets policy and ensures that the State Department of Education functions effectively within the framework developed by the Legislature and the board. By law, the board and the department have broad leadership functions to carry out certain regulatory and service activities. The board also serves as the State Board of Vocational Education.

Statewide oversight of education in Nebraska began in February 1869 when the Legislature created the office of the state superintendent of public instruction. The office was included in the state constitution of 1875. In 1917, the Legislature decided to place the state superintendent on a nonpartisan basis. In 1920, the constitution was changed to have the superintendent serve a four-year term beginning in 1923.

A 1952 constitutional amendment established a State Department of Education, which acts under the authority of the State Board of Education. The role of state superintendent of public instruction was transferred to the Board of Education or the commissioner of education effective in January 1955.

The 1967 Legislature divided the state into eight districts, and the membership of the State Board of Education was increased from six to eight members effective January 1969.

The board is elected on a nonpartisan ballot, with one member from each district. Board members serve four-year terms. Board members are not paid but are reimbursed for expenses.

<b>Member</b>	<b>Representing</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Glen Flint, Springfield.....	District 2.....	January 2017
Lillian M. Larsen, Lincoln.....	District 1.....	January 2017
Patrick J. McPherson, Omaha.....	District 8.....	January 2019
Maureen Nickels, Chapman.....	District 6.....	January 2019
Molly Higgins O'Holleran, North Platte.....	District 7.....	January 2019
Patricia H. Timm, Beatrice.....	District 5.....	January 2019
Rachel Wise, Oakland.....	District 3.....	January 2017
John Witzel, Papillion.....	District 4.....	January 2017



## State Board of Education, 2015

### LILLIAN M. LARSEN

### DISTRICT 1

**Home Address:** 4041 Thorn Court, Lincoln, NE 68520, email address — [lillie.larsen@nebraska.gov](mailto:lillie.larsen@nebraska.gov)

**Elected to State Board of Education:** 2012

**Biography:** Born Lillian Grimes, Dec. 6, 1941, in Paola, Kan. Graduate of Paola High School, 1959; University of Kansas (B.S. in secondary education), 1963; University of Nebraska-Lincoln (M.S. in elementary education), 1968. Married Max D. Larsen, Dec. 22, 1962; three children: Michael, Paul and Charles. Community volunteer. Former: public high school social studies teacher. **Member:** scholarship chair, Lincoln East Rotary Club; board of directors, Lincoln Symphony Orchestra; board of directors, CEDARS Youth Services; foundation board, Westminster Presbyterian Church; corresponding secretary, PEO Chapter DN; sustainer, Junior League of Lincoln; education chair, Heritage League of Lincoln; life member, Parent Teacher Association. **Former member:** Lincoln Board of Education, 1999-2011 (president; vice-president); Council of Urban Boards of Education Task Force, 2006-11; board of directors, Nebraska Association of School Boards, 2004-05; Lied Center for Performing Arts, 1988-95 (president; vice-president). **Honors and awards:** 2011 Mayor Beutler City of Lincoln Award; 2010-11 Award of Appreciation, Lincoln Education Association; 2011 Award of Appreciation, Lincoln East High School; 2007 Mayor's Arts Award. Democrat.



### GLEN FLINT

### DISTRICT 2

**Home Address:** 13105 Lake View Drive, Springfield, NE 68059-5133, email address — [glen.flint@nebraska.gov](mailto:glen.flint@nebraska.gov)

**Appointed to State Board of Education:** March 28, 2014, to replace Mark Quandahl, who resigned

**Biography:** Born July 19, 1956, in Alliance. Graduate of Alliance High School, 1974; University of Nebraska-Lincoln (B.S. in computer science and mathematics), 1978; University of Nebraska at Omaha (MBA), 1989. Married Sonya Franssen, Aug. 19, 1978; two children: Cory and Toby. Software engineer. **Member:** board of directors, Heartland REACT; committee chairman, Venturing Crew 26; merit badge adviser, Boy Scout Troop 26. **Former member:** Hillsdale College Parents Association Steering Committee, 2012-13 (president). **Honors and awards:** 2013 Volunteer of the Year, Heartland REACT. Republican.

## State Board of Education, 2015 (Cont'd.)



### RACHEL WISE

### DISTRICT 3

**Home Address:** 1480 County Road J, Oakland, NE 68045, email address — rachel.wise@nebraska.gov

**Elected to State Board of Education:** 2012

**Biography:** Born Nov. 8, 1955, in Castro Valley, Calif. Graduate of Ralston High School, 1974; University of Nebraska (B.S.), 1978; (M.Ed.), 1982; (Ed.S.), 1991; (Ph.D.), 1999. Married Gordon Nelson, Nov. 25, 2000. Retired educator. Former: teacher; administrator; nonprofit manager. **Member:** Nebraska Council of School Administrators; Nebraska State Education Association; Delta Kappa Gamma; Phi Delta Kappa; National Safety Council of Nebraska; Rotary; First Federated Church, Columbus; First Lutheran Church, Oakland. **Former member:** Nebraska Association for Career and Technical Education, 1978-2007 (president; secretary; treasurer). **Honors and awards:** Nebraska FFA Cornerstone Award; Nebraska Career Education Elaine Stuhr Leadership and Advocacy Award; Rotarian of the Year, Rotary Club of Omaha North.

### JOHN WITZEL

### DISTRICT 4

**Home Address:** 905 Edgewood Boulevard, Papillion, NE 68046, phone (402) 597-1175, email address —john.witzel@nebraska.gov

**Appointed to State Board of Education:** March 28, 2014, to replace Rebecca A. Valdez, who resigned

**Biography:** Born in Long Beach, Calif. Graduate of Longview High School, Longview, Texas, 1970; Louisiana Tech University (B.S.), 1974; Ball State University (M.A.), 1979; Bellevue University (B.S.), 1997; Bellevue University (B.T.S.), 1999; Spanish Language Institute (certificate), 1997. Military service: U.S. Air Force, 1974-1996, lieutenant colonel. Author and publisher, Wildcatter Publishing; part-time defense consultant. Former: career Air Force officer; accountant; defense contractor. **Member:** Nebraska Writer's Guild, 2013 to present; board member, Sarpy County YMCA, 2006 to present; Sarpy County Republican Party, 2002 to present (treasurer, 2006-10); Offutt Air Force Base Advisory Council, 2006 to present; Bellevue University Legacy Foundation, 1999 to present; Veterans of Foreign Wars, 1996 to present; American Legion, 1996 to present; Urban League of Nebraska; St. Paul's Methodist Church. **Former member:** school board member, Educational Service Unit #3, 2000-14; National School Board Association, 2000-14; Nebraska Association of School Boards, 2000-14. **Honors and awards:** Outstanding School Board Member (12 awards), Nebraska Association of School Boards; Midwest Book Review for "Saving Tres Rios"; YMCA Volunteer Award; U.S. STRATCOM commendation for life saving. Republican.



## State Board of Education, 2015 (Cont'd.)

### PATRICIA H. TIMM

### DISTRICT 5

**Home Address:** 1020 N. 21st St., Beatrice, NE 68310, phone (402) 228-4054, email — pattimm@charter.net

**Appointed to State Board of Education:** March 10, 2004, to replace Stephen A. Scherr, who resigned; elected to State Board of Education, 2006; re-elected 2010 and 2014

**Biography:** Born April 1, 1947, in Callaway. Graduated from Kearney State College (B.A. in elementary education), 1969. Married Steven B. Timm, Aug. 10, 1969; one child: Shawn. Former: administrator, Beatrice Family Resource Center; kindergarten teacher; K-12 art teacher; education coordinator, Centenary United Methodist Church. **Member:** Southeast Nebraska Early Childhood Professional Development Planning Team; Order of the Eastern Star; Personal Safety Awareness Committee; Gage County Kids and Car Seats; policy review committee, Beatrice Community Hospital and Health Center. **Former member:** Region V Behavioral Health Advisory Committee (chairwoman); board of trustees, Centenary United Methodist Church; Habitat for Humanity, Gage County; Beatrice Children's Theatre Board; Community Players Board; Paul Harris Fellow, Beatrice Rotary Club; Beatrice Chamber of Commerce. Republican.



### MAUREEN NICKELS

### DISTRICT 6

**Home Address:** 1275 10th Road, Chapman, NE 68827, email address — maureen.nickels@nebraska.gov

**Elected to State Board of Education:** 2014

**Biography:** Born Maureen Gaffney, Dec. 18, 1951, in Anselmo. Graduate of Anselmo-Merna Public Schools, 1970; University of Nebraska at Kearney (B.A. in education), 1974; (M.A. in education), 1978. One child: Chelsa. Former field director, Nebraska State Education Association, elementary teacher, Grand Island Public Schools. **Member:** University of Nebraska at Kearney Alumni Association (president, 2010); board of directors, 2008-10); Merrick County Democrats; Alpha Phi Sorority, Delta Xi Chapter; Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church. **Former member:** Nebraska Democratic Party (second associate chair, 2008-12). **Honors and awards:** Wings Over the Platte, 2008; Cooper Award for Teaching Excellence, 1992; participant, World Environmental Day (New York City), 1992. Democrat.

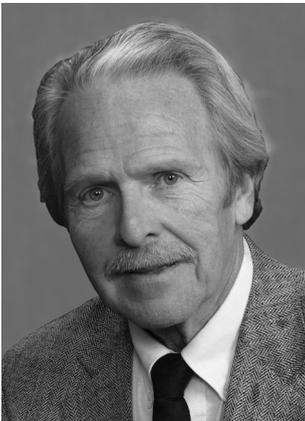
## State Board of Education, 2015 (Cont'd.)

### MOLLY HIGGINS O'HOLLERAN DISTRICT 7

**Home Address:** 1001 S. Deerwood Drive, North Platte, NE 69101-6317, email address — [molly.oholleran@gmail.com](mailto:molly.oholleran@gmail.com)

**Elected to State Board of Education:** 2010; re-elected 2014

**Biography:** Born Molly Susan Higgins, May 20, 1954, in Grand Island. Graduate of Grand Island High School, 1972; University of Nebraska-Lincoln (with high distinction), 1976. Married Timothy Patrick O'Holleran, July 10, 1976; five children: Colleen, Jack, Meghan, Brigid and Danny. Homemaker. Former teacher, Westbrook Junior High, 1976-77; Kapaun Mount Carmel, Wichita, Kan., 1977-81; Mid-Plains Community College, 1997-2002. **Member:** American Medical Association Alliance; Art Study League; Lincoln County Medical Alliance (president, 1987); Nebraska Foundation for the Humanities; Nebraska Medical Association Alliance (president, 2009-10); P.E.O. (president 1994-96); Holy Spirit Catholic Church. **Former member:** Creativity Unlimited Arts Council (director, 2007-10); Friends of the Library (vice president 2003-06); Nebraska Association of School Boards (legislative committee, 2008-10); Nebraska Council on Teacher Education; North Platte Public Schools Board of Education (president 2007; vice president, 2005-06; secretary, 2004); North Platte Public Schools Foundation (director, 2003-06); National School Board Association Conference (advisory panel, 2005); Relay for Life (advocacy chairman, 2005-09); state advisory committee, Willa Cather Pioneer Memorial and Educational Foundation. **Honors and awards:** 2012 Volunteer of the Year, Nebraska Medical Association Alliance; 2011 Beta Sigma Phi First Lady of North Platte; 2008 Keith and Jeanette Bottrell Memorial Award for Excellence in Grassroots Advocacy, American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network; 2008 Life Award, Nebraska PTA Council; 2008 Honorary State Award for Outstanding Service to Youth, Nebraska PTA; 2007 Woman of Achievement in Volunteerism, North Platte Telegraph; Republican.



### PATRICK J. MCPHERSON DISTRICT 8

**Home Address:** 4720 S. 102nd Cir., Omaha, NE 68127, email address — [patrick.mcpherson@nebraska.gov](mailto:patrick.mcpherson@nebraska.gov)

**Elected to State Board of Education:** 2014

**Biography:** Born Feb. 8, 1946. Graduate of Omaha Central High School, 1964; Creighton University, 1968. Military service: U.S. Army Reserve, 1969-75. Retired. Former bank manager; city government manager; Douglas County election commissioner. **Member:** national board, Community Health Charities; board member and secretary, Community Health Charities, Nebraska; board, Nebraska Comprehensive Health Insurance Board (secretary). **Former member:** second congressional district chairman and vice chairman, secretary, executive committee member, Nebraska Republican Party; mid-America region board, American Diabetes Association (president); Nebraska area service board and heartland council board, American Diabetes Association (president); board, American Diabetes Great Plains Region; technology and communications committee, Metropolitan Entertainment and Convention Center Authority; board, CHAD Nebraska; chairman, City of Omaha United Way Campaign; Omaha

## State Board of Education, 2015 (Cont'd.)

### PATRICK J. MCPHERSON

### DISTRICT 8 (CONT'D.)

Zoning Board of Appeals (chairman, vice chairman); Downtown Omaha Kiwanis Club (committee chairman); Nebraska Bankers Association (chairman); board, American Red Cross Heartland Chapter; board, Project Family; president's club, Omaha Chamber of Commerce; chairman, Douglas County Republican Party; committee member, Explorer Scout Career Awareness Program; board, Douglas County Foster Child Review Committee; council of officials, Metropolitan Planning Agency; elected board member, Papio Natural Resources District; board, Greater Omaha Community Action (treasurer); board, Omaha Republican Monday Luncheon Club; Nebraska Republican Party Booster Club. **Honors and awards:** Second District Outstanding State Central Committee Member, Nebraska Republican Party, 2008; National Outstanding Service in Recruiting Award, Mid-America Region, American Diabetes Association, 1999; Outstanding County Chairman Award, Nebraska Republican Party, 1987; Outstanding Service Award, Nebraska Republican Party, 1987. Republican.

## State Board of Education Members, 1955-2015\*

Frank E. Landis.....	1955-1981 <sup>1</sup>	Max D. Larsen.....	1985-1997
Morris E. Jacobs.....	1955-1959 <sup>3</sup>	Thelma Lang.....	1987-1995
Walter A. Steffen.....	1955 <sup>1</sup>	Russell Worthman.....	1987-1995
Hamilton F. Mitten.....	1955-1967 <sup>2</sup>	Caren Hamilton.....	1988-1995 <sup>12</sup>
W. Ray Hill.....	1955-1967	Ally Milder.....	1993-1997
A. J. Crabtree.....	1955-1965	Bobbie A. Nolte.....	1993-1997
Raymond M. Gilmore.....	1955-1965	Floyd E. Olson.....	1994-1995 <sup>14</sup>
Frank C. Heinisch.....	1959-1964 <sup>4</sup>	Katherine Brauer Endacott.....	1995-1999
Norman A. Otto.....	1964-1971 <sup>5</sup>	Kathleen McCallister.....	1995-1999
Robert G. Simmons Jr.....	1965-1971	Terry L. Loschen.....	1995-1999 <sup>15</sup>
John A. Wagoner.....	1965-1971	Rick Savage.....	1997-2001
Allen P. Burkhardt.....	1967-1973	Katherine F. Wilmot.....	1995-2003
Lloyd V. Wright.....	1967-1973	Kathryn C. Piller.....	1999-2003
Deborah Shepherd.....	1969-1971	Stephen A. Scherr.....	1999-2004 <sup>17</sup>
John K. Loday.....	1969-1971	Beverly J. Peterson.....	1997-2005
Gerald T. Whelan.....	1971-1974 <sup>1</sup>	Rachel Bone.....	2001-2005
Shirley A. Peterson.....	1971-1975	Ann Mactier.....	1997-2007
Marilyn Fowler.....	1971-1979	Kimberly J. Peterson.....	1997-2005 <sup>19</sup>
Francis Y. Knappe.....	1971-1975	Frederic C. Meyer.....	1999-2011 <sup>16</sup>
Patrick L. Cooney.....	1971-1973 <sup>6</sup>	Joe Higgins.....	2003-2011
R. Jerry Hargitt.....	1973-1977	Kandy Imes.....	2003-2011
Walter L. Moller.....	1973-1977	Patricia H. Timm.....	2004 <sup>18</sup>
Willard H. Waldo.....	1973-1977	Jim Scheer.....	2005-2013
Dorothy Weyer Creigh.....	1974-1981 <sup>7</sup>	Carole Woods Harris.....	2005-2009
Margaret Lockwood.....	1975-1983	Robert Evnen.....	2005 <sup>20</sup> -2013
Harold O. Peterson.....	1975-1977	Kerry Winterer.....	2007-2009 <sup>21</sup>
James H. Monahan.....	1977-1993	Rebecca A. Valdez.....	2009-2014 <sup>24</sup>
Walter M. Thompson.....	1977-1997	Mark Quandahl.....	2009 <sup>22</sup> -2014 <sup>23</sup>
Don H. Lienemann.....	1977-1981	Lynn R. Cronk.....	2011-2014 <sup>27</sup>
Bernard F. Costello.....	1977-1979 <sup>8</sup>	Molly Higgins O'Holleran.....	2011-
Arlene E. Hart.....	1979-1983	John Sieler.....	2011-2014
William C. Ramsey.....	1979-1994 <sup>13</sup>	Lillian M. Larsen.....	2013-
Helen Greene.....	1981-1993	Rachel Wise.....	2013-
Cynthia Hardin Milligan.....	1981-1985 <sup>9</sup>	Glen Flint.....	2014 <sup>25</sup> -
William W. Marshall III.....	1982-1988 <sup>10</sup>	John Witzel.....	2014 <sup>26</sup> -
Fred A. Lockwood.....	1983-1984 <sup>1</sup>	Patrick J. McPherson.....	2015-
Daniel G. Urwiller.....	1983-1987	Maureen Nickels.....	2015-
Dennis L. Arfmann.....	1984-1987 <sup>11</sup>		

\* Office created by 1953 Legislature.

<sup>1</sup> Resigned.

<sup>2</sup> Appointed to fill vacancy. Elected in November 1956.

<sup>3</sup> Resigned Jan. 3, 1959.

<sup>4</sup> Appointed to fill vacancy in 1959. Elected in 1962. Died Sept. 22, 1964.

<sup>5</sup> Appointed Dec. 23, 1964, to fill vacancy. Resigned February 1971.

<sup>6</sup> Appointed Feb. 18, 1971, to fill vacancy.

<sup>7</sup> Appointed Jan. 18, 1974, to fill vacancy. Elected in November 1974. Died in 1981.

<sup>8</sup> Appointed July 28, 1977, to fill vacancy.

<sup>9</sup> Appointed Sept. 25, 1981, to fill vacancy created by the resignation of Frank Landis.

<sup>10</sup> Appointed Jan. 28, 1982, to fill vacancy created by death of Dorothy W. Creigh. Elected in November 1982. Resigned Feb. 17, 1988.

<sup>11</sup> Appointed April 11, 1984, to fill vacancy created by the resignation of Fred Lockwood.

<sup>12</sup> Appointed July 19, 1988, to fill vacancy created by the resignation of William Marshall III.

<sup>13</sup> Resigned Jan. 8, 1994.

<sup>14</sup> Appointed Feb. 11, 1994, to fill vacancy created by the resignation of William C. Ramsey.

<sup>15</sup> Resigned March 15, 1999.

<sup>16</sup> Appointed March 31, 1999, to fill vacancy created by the resignation of Terry L. Loschen.

<sup>17</sup> Resigned Jan. 9, 2004.

<sup>18</sup> Appointed March 10, 2004, to fill vacancy created by the resignation of Stephen A. Scherr.

<sup>19</sup> Resigned June 30, 2005.

<sup>20</sup> Appointed July 18, 2005, to fill vacancy created by the resignation of Kimberly J. Peterson.

<sup>21</sup> Appointed July 17, 2007, to fill vacancy created by the resignation of Ann Mactier. Elected in 2008. Resigned Aug. 12, 2009.

<sup>22</sup> Appointed Aug. 17, 2009, to fill vacancy created by the resignation of Kerry Winterer.

<sup>23</sup> Resigned Jan. 27, 2014.

<sup>24</sup> Resigned Feb. 4, 2014.

<sup>25</sup> Appointed March 18, 2014, to fill vacancy created by the resignation of Mark Quandahl.

<sup>26</sup> Appointed March 18, 2014, to fill vacancy created by the resignation of Rebecca A. Valdez.

<sup>27</sup> Left office July 2014, after moving out of the district.

## Nebraska Territorial Commissioner of Common Schools\*\*

William E. Harvey..... 1859-1861

\*\* Office abolished by legislative act of Jan. 11, 1861.

## Nebraska Superintendents of Public Instruction, 1869-1955\*\*\*

Samuel Dewitt Beals (R) <sup>1</sup> .....	1869-1871 <sup>2</sup>	E. C. Bishop (R) .....	1909-1911
J. M. McKenzie (R) .....	1871-1877	James W. Crabtree (R).....	1911 <sup>3</sup>
S. R. Thompson (R).....	1877-1881	James E. Delzell (R).....	1911-1915 <sup>4</sup>
W. W. W. Jones (R).....	1881-1887	A. O. Thomas (R).....	1915-1917
George B. Lane (R).....	1887-1891	W. H. Clemmons (D).....	1917-1920 <sup>5</sup>
A. K. Goudy (R).....	1891-1895	John M. Matzen <sup>6</sup> .....	1920-1927 <sup>7</sup>
Henry R. Corbett (R).....	1895-1897	Charles W. Taylor .....	1927-1943
William R. Jackson (F).....	1897-1901	Wayne O. Reed.....	1943-1950 <sup>8</sup>
William K. Fowler (R) .....	1901-1905	Otto G. Ruff .....	1950-1951 <sup>9</sup>
Jasper L. McBrien (R).....	1905-1909	Freeman B. Decker .....	1951-1955

\*\*\* Office created in 1869, abolished by constitutional amendment in 1952 and by statute in 1953.

<sup>1</sup> Political affiliation: R=Republican; D=Democrat; F=Fusion (composed of Populists and Democrats).

<sup>2</sup> Appointed by Gov. David Butler, Feb. 16, 1869.

<sup>3</sup> Resigned. In office January to October 1911.

<sup>4</sup> In office October 1911 to January 1915.

<sup>5</sup> In office 1917 to January 1920.

<sup>6</sup> Superintendents of public instruction were elected on nonpartisan ballots starting in 1918.

<sup>7</sup> In office Jan. 15, 1920, to 1927.

<sup>8</sup> Resigned.

<sup>9</sup> Appointed to fill vacancy until general election.

## State Department of Education<sup>3</sup>

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**Commissioner:** Matt Blomstedt, email address — matt.blomstedt@nebraska.gov

**Deputy Commissioner:** Scott Swisher, email address — scott.swisher@nebraska.gov

**Statutory References:** Nebraska Constitution, Article VII, Section 2; and 79-301

In 1952, Nebraska voters approved a constitutional amendment proposed by the Legislature to establish the State Department of Education to act under the authority of the State Board of Education. A new state educational structure that began in 1955 transferred the powers and duties held by the state superintendent of public instruction to the State Board of Education, the State Department of Education or the commissioner of education.

The department is organized into teams that interact to operate the agency and carry out the duties assigned by state and federal statutes and the policy directions of

### *Commissioner of Education*

**Statutory References:** Nebraska Constitution, Article VII, Section 4; and 79-301 and 79-304

The commissioner of education is appointed by the State Board of Education and, acting as the board's executive officer and secretary, the commissioner heads the department. With help from a deputy commissioner and a leadership council, the commissioner of education serves as the chief state school officer and directs the promotion and improvement of education in Nebraska public pre-kindergarten, elementary and secondary schools. The commissioner also is responsible for certain facets of postsecondary education and adult education.

Additionally, the commissioner's responsibilities include:

- internal administration of the department
- interpreting laws that involve schools; ruling in some cases of disputed law; ensuring compliance with school laws
- planning, with the board and staff, a public statement of education goals and developing programs to respond to those goals; training and developing staff in planning and evaluation skills; reporting progress toward goals to the public through evaluation
- providing schools and the public with school and education information and approving department publications
- preparing the agenda for State Board of Education meetings; keeping the board informed; providing the board facts to help it act on issues

By law, the commissioner of education is an ex officio member of the Board of Trustees of the Nebraska State Colleges, the Nebraska Educational Telecommunications Commission and the State Committee for the Reorganization of School Districts.

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<sup>3</sup>For more information on education in Nebraska, see Pages 51, 827-829 and 884.

### *Commissioner's Office*

The commissioner's responsibilities with respect to qualifications of school personnel are exercised through the Certification Investigations Unit of the General Counsel's Office, which provides investigative and legal services to the commissioner on issues pertaining to the issuance, denial, suspension or revocation of Nebraska teaching and administrative certificates. Complaints filed with the commissioner alleging unprofessional conduct by Nebraska school certificate holders are investigated. The General Counsel's Office is responsible for prosecuting those cases the commissioner determines warrant disciplinary action before the Nebraska Professional Practices Commission, the State Board of Education or its hearing officers.

### *Education System Leadership and Support*

The department carries out its duties on behalf of 303,242 students in 246 public school districts and 200 nonpublic school systems. The department also maintains the required records for students educated in settings exempt from state approval or accreditation because of sincerely held religious beliefs (Rule 13) or for reasons associated with parental decisions regarding their child's education (Rule 12). The staff of the department interact with school districts to help develop and refine local school improvement plans. The department provides technical assistance and offers extensive training opportunities. Many improvement efforts are conducted cooperatively with the 17 educational service units that assist schools on a regional basis. The department also collaborates with other state agencies, professional education associations and institutions of higher education to coordinate and improve services to schools. School improvement activities are conducted or facilitated by a number of the department's teams. For current statistics, see the Nebraska Department of Education website at [www.education.ne.gov](http://www.education.ne.gov).

### **Statewide Assessment**

**Contact Person:** Valerie Foy, Director of Statewide Assessment, phone (402) 471-2495

The Statewide Assessment Office develops and supports state testing in Nebraska. From 200-2010, Nebraska operated a system of locally developed assessment for reporting on state standards. A statewide writing assessment was implemented in 2001 and continues in grades 4, 8 and 11.

The Quality Education Act was amended by legislation in 2007 and 2008, and the Nebraska State Accountability (NeSA) system of testing began. The state academic content standards were revised and new state tests are being developed and administered online according to the following schedule: reading in grades 3-8 and 11 in 2010; mathematics in grades 3-8 and 11 in 2011; and science in grades 5, 8 and 11 in 2012.

The assessment team, in conjunction with the special education team, also oversees the development and administration of alternative tests for students with the most severe cognitive disabilities. All testing procedures, protocols and security issues are handled through the assessment office. Additionally, the assessment team is responsible for providing direction to school districts regarding the implementation and reporting of

national assessment instruments and the National Assessment of Educational Progress.

The assessment team is responsible for generating student performance results on state standards that provide accountability. An annual *State of the Schools Report* is produced and results made public. With state performance results generated from NeSA, a new state accountability system is under development and is expected to be released in the next few years.

### **Curriculum/Instruction and Innovation**

**Contact Persons:** Donlynn Rice, Administrator, phone (402) 471-3240, email address — donlynn.rice@nebraska.gov

The Curriculum, Instruction and Innovation Team provides assistance to Nebraska school district patrons, administrators and teachers in the preparation of school curricula in various subject areas. The team leads the development of Nebraska state standards in cooperation with the commissioner and state board of education. Standards are required in reading, writing, mathematics, science and social studies and are reviewed and revised once every five years (statutory reference: 79-760-1). New reading and writing standards were adopted in December 2008, mathematics in April 2009 and science in October 2010. Social studies standards are under revision. Within one year of adoption by the State Board of Education, local school districts either must adopt the state standards or local standards that are equal to or more rigorous than the state standards.

Consultants offer technical assistance and professional development to school district personnel as they plan curriculum programs for reading and writing, mathematics, science, social studies and history, world languages, high ability learner education, health and physical education and HIV/AIDS education. In the areas of career and technical education, consultants offer assistance in environmental and agricultural systems; arts, communication and information systems; business marketing and management; health sciences; human services and resources; industrial manufacturing and engineering systems; and school counseling. Team members direct and coordinate statewide activities of six career and technical organizations: Future Farmers of America, Future Business Leaders of America, Family, Career and Community Leaders of America, DECA, Skills USA and Health Occupations Students of America. Plans are currently underway to begin a new organization, Future Educators of America.

The K-12 educational technology functions within the Nebraska Department of Education are the primary responsibility of the Education Technology Center section. These functions include assisting with technology planning in schools, technology infrastructure development in schools statewide, making instructional and learning resources available, providing staff development related to technology, providing consulting services in the infusion of technology in the teaching and learning process, and evaluating the use and effectiveness of technology in schools and educational service units. These functions and services also are provided to the internal professional staff assigned the responsibility to serve K-12 education and educational service units. The technology center staff also administers grant programs and provides technical assistance to schools and educational service units. Leadership, growth and direction of technology for Nebraska students is influenced by the Educational Technology Center (statutory

reference: 79-1303-06), the Educational Technology Consortium (statutory reference: 79-1301) and the Schools Telelearning Service Advisory Committee (79-1326).

### **School Improvement: Accreditation**

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The Accreditation and School Improvement Team provides statewide leadership in: assuring equity of opportunity for learners by developing, promulgating and administering approval and accreditation standards for all public and private schools; encouraging quality learning by developing and facilitating varied school improvement procedures incorporating academic goals and standards; strengthening school improvement by coordinating the Nebraska assessment system; and promoting effective management of schools to better meet local needs, State Board of Education goals and statutory requirements.

Regulations adopted by the state board establish standards for staffing, programs of study, standards and assessment, equipment, facilities, instructional supplies and school performance reports. Team staff visit school systems to monitor implementation of regulations and coordinate the activities that are part of the required school improvement and external visitations processes. The team facilitates regional accreditation of schools through the AdvanceED/North Central Association, an organization serving 37 states. In addition, the team administers regulations for local teacher evaluation policies, provides a liaison to the Nebraska School Activities Association, coordinates accreditation of educational service units and serves in other advisory roles. An Accreditation Committee (statutory reference: 79-703), composed of school, community and higher education representatives, advises the board on matters relating to the content and implementation of accreditation standards.

### **School Improvement: Early Childhood**

#### *Office of Early Childhood*

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The Office of Early Childhood promotes, in collaboration with other child and family serving agencies and groups, the development of a voluntary statewide system of effective, coordinated school and community-based early childhood and family education. The office monitors school and ESU-operated early childhood education programs, provides and supports the professional development of teachers/caregivers in school and community-based programs, coordinates task forces that focus on the needs of young children and their families, and develops guidelines for quality childcare and preschool programs.

In collaboration with the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services, the office administers the Step Up to Quality; Quality Rating and Improvement System (statutory reference: 71-1964) for early childhood education and care programs across the state. The program's website is [www.education.ne.gov/StepUpToQuality/index.html](http://www.education.ne.gov/StepUpToQuality/index.html) and the toll-free phone number is (844) 807-5712.

The team also offers the services of the Early Childhood Training Center (statutory reference: 79-1102). The Early Childhood Training Center (ECTC) provides and coordinates training and distribution of materials for staff working in home, center and school-based programs in Nebraska. The ECTC also provides leadership for the Early Learning Connection, the state's early childhood professional development system. These services are delivered through the seven regional NDE-grant funded professional development partnerships that are located throughout the state. The center provides a toll-free information line, (800) 89-CHILD, and a website — <http://ectc.education.ne.gov>

## Federal Programs and Data Systems

### *Federal Programs*

**Contact Person:** Diane Stuehmer, Administrator, phone (402) 471-1740

Title I, Part A, of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act provides grants to districts to provide supplemental instruction to educationally disadvantaged students. Title I promotes academic achievement primarily through projects focused on reading, mathematics and early childhood programs. Funding and assistance also is provided to students in residential agencies for neglected or delinquent children. Title I, Part D provides grants to state agencies to service neglected or delinquent children. Through the McKinney-Vento Homeless Education Act, services are provided to homeless children and youth. A Consolidated Committee of Practitioners (Public Law 107-110) provides input and review of federal programs.

### *Nutrition Services*

**Contact Person:** Bev Benes, Director, phone (402) 471-3566, email address — [bev.benes@nebraska.gov](mailto:bev.benes@nebraska.gov)

The Nutrition Services Team distributes funds and provides technical assistance to Nebraska schools and institutions participating in the U.S. Department of Agriculture child nutrition programs. In a continuing effort to improve the health and education of Nebraskans through provision of nutritious meals and nutrition education, programs are administered for the National School Lunch Program, School Breakfast Program, Child and Adult Care Food Program and the Summer Food Service Program.

### *Data, Research and Evaluation*

**Contact Person:** Dean Folkers, Senior Administrator, phone (402) 471-4740

The Data, Research and Evaluation Team consists of several work groups.

The Help Desk supports the work of the department and school districts by assisting with data collection and submission and technical questions, as well as support for the multiple interfaces with Nebraska schools. Specific support expertise includes the Nebraska Student and Staff Record System, the Grants Management System and other department web portal applications.

The Research and Evaluation Team conducts research and evaluation projects that support a deeper understanding of data, best practices and improving teaching and learning in Nebraska schools. The research group also is heavily involved in assisting Nebraska schools with data submission and promoting the use of data and training for

data literacy, analysis and use by ESUs, districts and schools.

The Staff Data work group integrates the collection, refinement and use of staff data to meet federal and state reporting requirements, ensures effective integration with programs (including teacher certification and school approval and accreditation) and publishes a variety of useful reports.

The Student Data work group ensures the collection, refinement and use of student data to meet federal and state reporting requirements. The work group also provides effective integration programs and takes the lead on the annual State of the Schools Report and the Data Reporting System.

P-20 Data Systems integrates data sources across the spectrum for longitudinal analysis and reports that inform both policy and practice. The group's efforts include the engagement of public postsecondary institutions in support of long-term student success.

### Office of Special Education

**Contact Person:** Gary Sherman, Senior Administrator, phone (402) 471-2471 (V/TDD), email address — [gary.sherman@nebraska.gov](mailto:gary.sherman@nebraska.gov)

School districts have an obligation to provide special education and related services to children with disabilities. To help districts meet this obligation, the department distributes state and federal funds, provides technical assistance for attainment of program standards, conducts program reviews, approves rates for contract service providers and provides financial support for the residential care of children who cannot be served educationally by the school district in their local communities.

Programs, including early intervention services for infants and toddlers with disabilities who are younger than age three, are provided for children with disabilities from the date of diagnosis to age 21. The rights of these children and their parents are protected through systems for mediation, complaints and due process. Broad participation in planning for statewide special education services is accomplished through the activities of the Special Education Advisory Council [20 U.S. Code 1413(a)(12)].

### *Deaf/Hard of Hearing Network*

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The Network provides support services through four regional programs to school districts serving children who are deaf or hard of hearing, from birth to age 21, and their families. Program coordination, outreach, information clearinghouse services and staff/parent training initiatives, including training for interpreters, are among the services available. Additionally, through a contract with the Iowa School for the Deaf, services are available for those Nebraska children needing a residential program.

### *Nebraska Center for the Education of Children Who are Blind or Visually Impaired*

**Contact Person:** Sally Gittinger, Campus Administrator, 824 10th Ave., Nebraska City, NE 68410, phone (402) 873-5513, email address — [sgitting@esu4.org](mailto:sgitting@esu4.org)

The Nebraska Center for the Education of Children Who are Blind or Visually

Impaired is administered through a contractual/lease arrangement with Educational Service Unit No. 4 in Auburn. The center provides residential, educational and outreach services to children with visual impairments from birth to age 21. Support also is provided through summer programs, staff training, student assessment and technical assistance for parents, agencies and colleges.

### **Office of Equity and Instructional Strategies**

**Contact Person:** Mary Ann Losh, Senior Administrator, phone (402) 471-4357, email address — [maryann.losh@nebraska.gov](mailto:maryann.losh@nebraska.gov)

The Office of Equity and Instructional Strategies provides resources, leadership and staff development to support schools and agencies using research/evidence-based strategies and practices focused on increasing student achievement. Technical assistance is provided for schools to assure that equitable access and equitable results are possible for all students. The team provides staff development training opportunities as well as consultation to schools on a variety of topics which include English language learners, migrant education, multicultural education, positive behavior supports, school safety, before and after school programs, ELL and Poverty Plan promising practices, student achievement assistance and parent engagement. Funding resource assistance is available for the following programs: Title I-C, II, III, IV, 21st Century Community Learning Centers, Service Learning, State Personnel Development Grant and Comprehensive System of Personnel Development. The work of the team is informed by groups that include the Comprehensive System of Personnel Development Committee, Title I Migrant Parent Advisory Committee (Public Law 100-297) and other educational networks.

### **Adult Program Services: Teacher Preparation**

**Contact Person:** Sharon Katt, Senior Administrator, phone (402) 471-2405, email address — [sharon.katt@nebraska.gov](mailto:sharon.katt@nebraska.gov)

The primary responsibility of this section is to recommend teacher education programs for approval by the State Board of Education. The recommendations are made with assistance from the Nebraska Council on Teacher Education, an advisory body composed of teachers, teacher education program representatives, administrators and representatives of other educational organizations. Additional responsibilities include management of the annual Teacher Vacancy Survey, the Teach in Nebraska website and the Excellence in Teaching Act loan forgiveness programs.

### **Adult Program Services: Teacher Certification**

**Contact Person:** Kevin Peters, Senior Administrator, phone (402) 471-0739, email address — [kevin.peters@nebraska.gov](mailto:kevin.peters@nebraska.gov)

The certification process for Nebraska teachers and administrators is defined by state law and State Board of Education regulations. Certification applicants are required to complete an approved teacher or administrator preparation program, requirements related to basic skills competency, human relations and special education training. First time applicants who have not lived in Nebraska continuously for the past five years must submit fingerprints. Other specific requirements as outlined in rule may be reviewed at

[www.education.ne.gov/tcert](http://www.education.ne.gov/tcert). Teacher certification staff respond to questions at [ndc.tcertweb@nebraska.gov](mailto:ndc.tcertweb@nebraska.gov).

### **Adult Program Services: Adult Education**

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The Adult Education section provides instruction for adults 16 years of age and older who have withdrawn from school and function at or below the 12th grade level. This includes individuals who wish to earn a General Educational Development (GED) certificate, learn the English language, learn basic reading, writing and numeracy skills or prepare for employment and/or post-secondary education. The program is funded primarily with federal funds from Title II of the Workforce Investment Act of 1998, the Adult Education and Family Literacy Act. Fourteen programs offer classes at approximately 150 locations throughout the state.

The GED testing program is sponsored by the GED Testing Service of the American Council on Education, Pearson Vue and the Nebraska Department of Education. Nebraska's GED testing centers administer the national examination, which measures the skills and competencies of a high school graduate and is aligned with career and college readiness expectations. A state high school diploma is awarded to successful examinees.

### **Adult Program Services: Private Postsecondary Career Schools and Veterans Education**

**Contact Person:** Brad Dirksen, Director, phone (402) 471-4825

This section implements state statutes governing private postsecondary career schools and their recruitment of students, provides consumer protection and ensures that minimum quality standards are met. This work is assisted by the Private Postsecondary Career Schools Advisory Council (statutory reference: 85-1607), which makes recommendations to the State Board of Education concerning private postsecondary career schools. Veterans' education programs, in public and private secondary and post-secondary institutions, are approved and monitored in accordance with U.S. Department of Veterans' Affairs requirements.

### **Nebraska Vocational Rehabilitation (Nebraska VR)**

**Contact Person:** Mark Schultz, Assistant Commissioner, phone (402) 471-3649 or (877) NEREHAB, email address — [mark.schultz@nebraska.gov](mailto:mark.schultz@nebraska.gov)

Nebraska VR is the statewide employment agency for people with disabilities. Services are provided or arranged through an employment team and may include vocational evaluation, career planning, independent living, assistive technology, job training and placement. Offices are located in Columbus, Fremont, Grand Island, Kearney, Lincoln, Norfolk, North Platte, Omaha and Scottsbluff, with a satellite office in South Sioux City. The agency receives 20 percent of its funding from the state and 80 percent from the federal government.

The goal of the program is to help people with disabilities achieve economic self-sufficiency including earnings at or above the full-time minimum wage equivalent with

health benefits in competitive employment, self-employment and business enterprise employment. If economic self-sufficiency is not possible with the first job placement, Nebraska VR may continue to work with the person to help them retain or advance in employment.

Nebraska VR staff work with students with disabilities as early as age 14. As a part of transition services, educators, parents, students and Nebraska VR plan to ensure that students with disabilities are prepared to pursue employment after graduation.

Affiliated programs within Nebraska VR, with separate funding and unique identities, include the Disability Determinations Section, Assistive Technology Partnership, Statewide Independent Living Council, State Rehabilitation Advisory Council and Client Assistance Program.

#### *Disability Determinations Section*

**Contact Person:** Douglas Willman, Senior Administrator, phone (402) 471-2961, email address — [doug.willman@ssa.gov](mailto:doug.willman@ssa.gov)

The Disability Determinations Section is the entity of state government that processes applications for federal disability benefits under the federal social security program and the supplemental security income program for Nebraska residents. These applications are taken at the social security field offices across the state and forwarded to the DDS office in Lincoln. Section staff obtain and evaluate medical and vocational evidence in order to make a decision on each applicant's medical eligibility for benefits.

#### *Assistive Technology Partnership*

The Assistive Technology Partnership links people with disabilities to technology to help them lead more independent and productive lives. The program integrates diverse assistive technology and home or worksite modification needs in the areas of education, health, employment and housing into a comprehensive array of programs accessed through a single point of entry. Assistive Technology Partnership services include public awareness, information and referral, technical assistance, assessments, funding coordination, training, an equipment demonstration/loan program, an equipment reuse program and funding for assistive technology devices and home or worksite modifications. Assistive technology services are available to individuals of all ages and all types of disabilities. Information is available by calling Leslie Novacek or Steve Miller at (888) 806-6287 or (402) 471-0734, email — [atp@nebraska.gov](mailto:atp@nebraska.gov), or on the website — [www.atp.ne.gov](http://www.atp.ne.gov)

#### *Statewide Independent Living Council*

The Statewide Independent Living Council (Title VII, Rehabilitation Act of 1973) promotes the independent living philosophy and develops independent living services for persons with disabilities in Nebraska. A consumer-driven organization, the majority of council members have disabilities. They are appointed by the State Board of Education. The council educates policymakers and consumers, identifies unmet needs in the area of independent living, and expands and improves independent living services.

*State Rehabilitation Council*

The State Rehabilitation Council was established to meet the requirements of Title I of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. The council reviews, analyzes and advises the state vocational rehabilitation agency about the performance of the agency's responsibilities under Title I of the act. The council prepares and presents an annual report to the State Board of Education and the commissioner of the Rehabilitation Services Administration

*Client Assistance Program*

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The Client Assistance Program provides assistance and advocacy for individuals who have questions or concerns related to Vocational Rehabilitation, Centers for Independent Living and the Nebraska Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired. The program also includes the Hotline for Disability Services, (800) 742-7594, which provides information and referral services to Nebraskans who have questions or concerns related to disabilities.

**General Counsel**

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The General Counsel's office advises the State Board of Education, the commissioner, the deputy commissioner, department administrators and staff with reference to the legal duties of the agency. The office drafts and reviews legal opinions, rules, leases, contracts and other legal documents. The office responds to inquiries from the public. The office carries out investigations, represents the agency in administrative proceedings and assists the attorney general's office in court proceedings.

**Human Resources**

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The Human Resources office provides a full range of services including employee recruitment, orientation, compensation and classification, benefits administration, labor relations and compliance with equal opportunity, nondiscrimination and other applicable state and federal laws.

**Finance and Organizational Services**

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**Central Accounting:** Paul Haas, Supervisor, phone (402) 471-3563

**Financial Services:** Shane Rhian, Director, phone (402) 471-4313

Administrative Services provides a variety of internal services to department staff and programs. These services include accounting, audit coordination, budget coordination, financial aid distribution and accounting for categorical programs and office services.

*School Finance and Organization Services*

**Contact Persons:** Bryce Wilson, Administrator, (402) 471-4320 and Jen Utemark, State Aid Director, (402) 471-3323

The School Finance and Organization Services Team provides school finance information and assistance to the Legislature, the State Board of Education, public schools and other interested citizens. State funds are distributed to school districts in accordance with the Tax Equity and Educational Opportunities Support Act under an income tax rebate and resource equalization formula. Funds are distributed for the In-Lieu-of School Land Tax program, and for State Apportionment, which is derived from revenue resulting from lease of permanent school land. If appropriated by the Legislature, funds for the purchase of textbooks for loan to students attending private approved or accredited schools are also distributed to local school districts.

Other state funds, entitled core services funds used for staff development, technology and instructional materials services, and technology infrastructure funds are distributed to educational service units.

The School Finance and Organization Services team provides consulting services in the areas of pupil transportation, school district reorganization, educational service units, enrollment option program, exempt (home) schools and textbook loans. The State Committee for the Reorganization of School Districts (79-435) acts on proposals for the change of school district boundaries.

*Nebraska Professional Practices Commission*

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**Statutory Reference:** 79-861

The Nebraska Professional Practices Commission is composed of 12 educators appointed by the governor. The commission advises the State Board of Education regarding rules and regulations for the standards of ethics and competency for Nebraska public school educators, promotes understanding of and adherence to the standards and provides an orderly method of resolving disputes arising over alleged failure of an educator to adhere to the standards. Disciplinary actions include private admonishment or warning, public reprimand or a recommendation to the state board for suspension or revocation of the educator's certificate.

The commission holds hearings and adjudicates cases, provides training for commission members to serve as hearing officers, responds to requests to provide information to college teacher education classes, distributes pamphlets on the code of ethics and standards of practices, provides workshops and seminars for lay and professional groups, informs educational entities and the public of the commission's activities and develops materials promoting ethical standards for the profession.

Commission members serve three-year terms, and no member may serve more than two terms. The commission meets four to six times a year. Members are not paid but are reimbursed for expenses.

Member	Representing	Term Expires
Susan J. Anglemyer, Omaha .....	Administrators .....	April 25, 2015
Sarah Brown, Crete .....	Secondary Teachers.....	April 25, 2017
Michael Cobelens, Lincoln.....	Middle School Teachers .....	April 25, 2016
Michael Fryda, Omaha .....	Secondary Teachers.....	April 25, 2017
Susan Johnson, North Platte.....	Elementary Teachers.....	April 25, 2016
Damon McDonald, Aurora.....	Administrators .....	April 25, 2015
Kevin Pettigrew, Valentine.....	Middle School Teachers .....	April 25, 2016
Andrew Rikli, Papillion .....	Administrators .....	April 25, 2017
Joy Schott, Burwell.....	Elementary Teachers.....	April 25, 2015
Darolyn Seay, Auburn.....	Postsecondary Education.....	April 25, 2016
Karen Shelton, Lincoln.....	Elementary Teachers.....	April 25, 2015
John Skretta, Lincoln.....	Administrators .....	April 25, 2017
Kathi Vontz, Lincoln.....	Clerk .....	Nonexpiring

## Board of Educational Lands and Funds

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**Executive Secretary and Chief Executive Officer:** Richard R. Endacott

**Statutory References:** Nebraska Constitution, Article VII, Sections 6 - 9 and 72-201

**Publication:** Biennial Report (in even-numbered years) supplemented by report in the *Nebraska Blue Book* (in odd-numbered years)

In the Enabling Act of Congress passed April 19, 1864, pursuant to which Nebraska became a State on March 1, 1867, and as a condition of statehood, the federal government granted generally every section 16 and 36 in each township in Trust for the support of Nebraska's common (K-12 public) schools. The Trust nature, conditions and obligations of this grant are reflected in Article VII, Sections 6, 7, 8 and 9 of the Nebraska Constitution and have been recited in numerous decisions of the Nebraska Supreme Court including, for example, *State ex rel. Ebke v. Board of Educational Lands and Funds*, 154 Neb. 244 (1951).

Nearly 2.9 million acres have been acquired in trust for the support of Nebraska's K-12 public schools and approximately 1.63 million of these acres have been sold to private sector owners. Approximately 80 percent of the deeded acres were conveyed pursuant to cash sales or contractual purchase rights vested in buyers, prior to 1900 and several decades before the Board of Educational Lands and Funds came into existence. In accordance with Article VII, Sections 7 and 8 of the Nebraska Constitution, the proceeds from all sales of school lands are deposited into the Permanent School Trust Fund where funds are invested primarily in stocks and bonds by the Nebraska Investment Council.

The board's primary duty is to manage nearly 1.27 million acres of land now held in trust for Nebraska's K-12 public schools. In fulfilling this duty, the board serves as both land owner and land manager. In its capacity as land owner, the board makes substantial expenditures for maintenance, conservation and improvement of the land under its care. In its capacity as land manager, the board issues and services surface

leases, primarily for agricultural uses, and subsurface leases permitting exploration for and extraction of oil and gas, minerals and other natural resources. The board manages approximately 3,550 leases. Sales and trades of school trust land also are discretionary with the board. Land sales, condemnations and easements for combined fiscal years 2012-13 and 2013-14 totaled \$110,000.

The primary sources of revenue generated from Nebraska's school trust lands are rentals and bonuses for agricultural leases and rentals, bonuses and royalties for mineral leases. Analysis using valuation data from the University of Nebraska Department of Agricultural Economics established that Nebraska's K-12 school trust lands had a current market value of approximately \$794.7 million for 1.28 million acres as of June 30, 2011, \$999.9 million for 1.27 million acres as of June 30, 2012, \$1.23 billion for 1.27 million acres as of June 30, 2013, and roughly \$1.4 billion for 1.27 million acres as of June 30, 2014. These are conservative valuations solely based on agricultural values and do not include enhanced values due to scenic or recreational lands owned by the School Land Trust.

Effective Jan. 1, 2001, school lands became taxable. The board pays these taxes and collects them from lessees as part of the rent. Pursuant to Article VII, Section 9 of the Nebraska Constitution, the net income of the school trust remaining after tax and overhead payments have been made is distributed to Nebraska's K-12 public schools statewide on a per pupil basis.

Control of Nebraska's school trust lands was vested in a board composed of state executive officers and a commission of public lands and buildings from 1875 to 1936. The Board of Educational Lands and Funds is now the constitutionally established trustee of Nebraska's school trust lands. The board consists of five members, four from Nebraska's congressional districts as they existed on Jan. 1, 1961, and one at large, appointed by the governor and confirmed by the Legislature to rotating five-year terms. Once appointed to the board, members are independent trustees who manage the board's activities and conduct its business operations in a nonpartisan, nonpolitical manner. The board is governed entirely by trust law, and its trustee members are legally bound to fulfill the trust fiduciary duties of maximizing the income and preserving the assets of the school trust for the benefit of the public schools.

The board meets monthly, and its members receive reimbursement for their necessary expenses for each day they are engaged in performing the duties of their office.

<b>Member</b>	<b>Represents</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Martin Demuth, Hastings .....	District 1 .....	Oct. 1, 2016
Jim Hain, David City .....	District 3 .....	Oct. 1, 2018
James Vokal, Jr., Omaha.....	District 2 .....	Oct. 1, 2017
Charles A. Ward, Valentine.....	At Large .....	Oct. 1, 2015
Glenn R. Wilson, Grand Island .....	District 4 .....	Oct. 1, 2019

## Nebraska Commissioners of Public Lands and Buildings, 1877-1939\*

F. M. Davis (R) <sup>1</sup> .....	1877-1881	Henry M. Eaton (R).....	1905-1909
A. G. Kendall (R) .....	1881-1885	Edward B. Cowles (R).....	1909-1913
Joseph Scott (R).....	1885-1889	Fred Beckmann (R).....	1913-1917
John Steen (R).....	1889-1891	G.L. Shumway (D).....	1917-1919
A.R. Humphrey (R).....	1891-1895	Dan Swanson (R) .....	1919-1933
Henry C. Russell (R).....	1895-1897	Harry P. Conklin (D).....	1933-1935
Jacob V. Wolfe (F) .....	1897-1901	Leo N. Swanson (R).....	1935-1939
George D. Follmer (R) .....	1891-1905		

\* Office created in 1875, abolished by constitutional amendment in 1936 and by statute in 1937.

<sup>1</sup> Political affiliation: R=Republican; D=Democrat; F=Fusion (composed of Populists and Democrats).

### *Office of the State Surveyor*

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**State Surveyor:** Steven C. Cobb

**Statutory Reference:** 84-407

State laws of 1903 require the Board of Educational Lands and Funds to appoint a state surveyor and let the board appoint deputy surveyors as necessary. Under these laws, the state surveyor:

- takes charge, under the board's supervision, of field notes, maps, charts and records of U.S. surveys. A library with these notes and plats is kept in the state surveyor's office. This material is available to the public and copies are provided for a fee.
- prepares and issues, under the board's supervision, instructions to county surveyors. Acting under this directive, the office last provided a complete set of instructions in 1914. Since then, the office has issued instructions on specific items. Directives to county surveyors are currently handled on a question-and-answer basis.
- acts as arbitrator to settle disputes over surveys of boundaries within the state and disputes between surveyors concerning surveys or boundaries. These disputes and requests for surveys have resulted in about 2,000 state application re-surveys. In many cases, disputes can be resolved without re-survey by using advice on surveying issued by the office.
- performs other duties prescribed by the board, including reviews of all educational trust land transfers and giving opinions on the adequacy of trade, sale and condemnation descriptions

After each transfer is completed, the staff supervises changes in the abstracts and provides field staff with plats showing the revised property. The office provides the board with drafting, charts, graphs and court exhibits.

Since 1903, the Legislature has added the following duties to the Office of the State Surveyor:

- In 1961, the Legislature passed a resolution that led to a U.S. Supreme Court case on the boundary between Nebraska and Iowa. The case was decided in 1973, but problems over boundaries still remain. These actions have led to about 20,000 documents filed in the state surveyor's office. The state surveyor serves on the Nebraska

Joint State Boundary Commission.

- In 1982, the Legislature created the State Survey Record Repository in the Office of the State Surveyor. This repository receives copies of most land surveys completed in the state. The office microfilms and files these surveys and provides copies upon request. The Survey Record Repository contains 292,435 documents archived on microfilm, of which approximately 116,701 may be accessed online.

- In 1991, the Legislature created the Geographic Information System Steering Committee. The state surveyor serves as a member of this committee.

- In 1998, the Legislature created the Nebraska Information Technology Commission, now known as the Nebraska GIS Council. The state surveyor’s office provides technical assistance, support and advice to the various counties, cities and other government entities in Nebraska in their endeavors to produce and maintain cadastral and other geo-referenced maps.

The state surveyor’s office also has general governmental responsibility to provide service and information to the public.

## Board of Appraisers for Educational Lands

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**Statutory Reference:** 72-224.03

The Board of Appraisers for Educational Lands is authorized to hear condemnation proceedings relating to educational lands. Following each hearing, the board makes and files an award in the office of the Board of Educational Lands and Funds.

The three board members, appointed by the governor to rotating six-year terms, must be a:

- superintendent of a school district offering kindergarten through grade 12 instruction
- certified public accountant
- licensed real estate appraiser.

The board meets as necessary each year. Members receive compensation of \$50 per day, plus reimbursement for their necessary expenses, for each day they are engaged in performing the duties of their office.

<b>Member</b>	<b>Position</b>
<b>Term Expires</b>	
Jason J. Bryant, Lincoln.....	Certified Public Accountant..... Aug. 22, 2019
Bonnie M. Downing, Dunning.....	Real Estate Appraiser..... Aug. 22, 2015
Charles Isom, Palisade.....	School Superintendent..... Aug. 22, 2017

## Nebraska Educational Telecommunications Commission

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**Secretary/General Manager:** Mark Leonard

**Statutory Reference:** 79-1313

The Nebraska Educational Telecommunications Commission was created by the Educational Television Act, adopted by the 1963 Legislature. In 1984, the Legislature changed the commission's name and broadened its scope to include all educational telecommunications. The commission promotes and provides noncommercial educational telecommunications statewide by satellite, broadcast, fiber optics, computer and other technologies.

Nebraska Educational Telecommunications (NET) is the umbrella designation used to encompass the commission's various services housed at the Terry M. Carpenter Nebraska Educational Telecommunications Center. Among these services is NET Television with its four over-the-air analog and digital TV channels (NET1, NET2, NET3 and NET-HD), NET Radio, NET Learning Services and NET Technology Services including the NET\*SAT satellite system.

**Public Television.** Public television began in Nebraska when KUON-TV signed on the air in November 1954. In April 2003, NET launched its digital television service in accordance with the federal government mandate.

The Nebraska Educational Telecommunications Commission holds the licenses for all nine radio transmitters and five radio translators and for eight television transmitters and 14 television translators. KUON-TV is licensed to the University of Nebraska Board of Regents.

**Board of Regents.** Through a longstanding agreement with the Board of Regents, station KUON-TV operates as the originating station for NET Television's primary channel, NET1. Station KYNE-TV in Omaha may vary from the NET1 broadcast schedule in order to meet the needs of the Omaha community.

NET Television now has four digital broadcast services, including one high-definition broadcast signal:

- NET1 and NET-HD includes signature Public Broadcasting Service (PBS) programs and award-winning, locally produced public television programs which can be seen in high-definition where applicable.
- NET2 offers the *PBS World* service, a collection of news and public affairs programming. NET2 also offers live coverage of the Nebraska Unicameral.
- NET3 offers *Create*, public television's most popular how-to, travel and lifestyle programs.

The NET Television schedule includes acquired programs from PBS and other national and regional distributors. NET Television also produces local programs featuring Nebraska people, places and history, such as fine arts performances, high school sports championships, and regular series such as *Backyard Farmer*, *Big Red Wrap-Up* and

*Nebraska Stories*. Recent local documentary productions include *The Recipe Box*, featuring the recipes and stories of nine homegrown Nebraska cooks; *Walk-Ons: Husker's Edge*, about the University of Nebraska football walk-ons program; and *Jazz Cabaret*, featuring the University of Nebraska-Lincoln Jazz Faculty Ensemble. NET Television also produces documentaries that are broadcast nationwide, such as the recent production *Homemade Astronaut: The Clay Anderson Story*.

A percentage of the financial support for local productions comes from the statewide nonprofit citizen support groups, the NET Foundation for Television and the NET Foundation for Radio. NET also receives federal and state funding.

NET's specialized services include Radio Talking Book and the Descriptive Video Service.

Radio Talking Book, Inc. (RTB) is an Omaha-based nonprofit organization that broadcasts nearly 5,000 hours of audio books, magazines and newspapers to 5,000 visually impaired Nebraskans each year. In the summer of 2008, RTB was converted from NET Television's second audio program channel to the NET FM radio network. RTB supplies a free radio receiver to access the FM side band channels.

A number of public television programs are produced with the Descriptive Video Service (DVS) to make them accessible to people who are blind or visually impaired. DVS provides narrated descriptions of a program's key visual elements, such as action, settings, scene changes and body language.

**Public Radio.** Public radio began in Nebraska in 1986, when the Legislature amended the Nebraska Educational Telecommunications Act to direct the Nebraska Educational Telecommunications Commission to establish a statewide public radio network. In 1988, the commission received studio and transmitter equipment for public radio station KUCV-FM from the Union College Board of Trustees in Lincoln and transferred the license from Union College to the commission. KUCV-FM became the originating station for NET Radio. In 2001, KUCV-FM changed its broadcast frequency to 91.1-FM, increased its power and began broadcasting 24 hours each day.

While NET Radio offers primarily a classical music format, a number of news, public affairs, entertainment and interview programs fill out the schedule. National program services, such as Public Radio International and National Public Radio, make possible such programs such as *A Prairie Home Companion*, *Morning Edition* and *All Things Considered*. NET Radio also produces several local programs, including *Friday Live*, and arts and entertainment "magazine;" *Classics By Request*, *Nebraska Concerts* and *Nebraska News*. NET Radio's staff members consistently win statewide and regional competitions for their coverage of news and events across Nebraska.

**Education Services.** NET's Education Services is responsible for the design and delivery of educational and interactive media services to supplement and support curriculum based learning and informal education activities. NET's Interactive and Educational Media Group creates digital resource materials such as the online history textbook [nebraskastudies.org](http://nebraskastudies.org) and CD-ROMS and DVDs for clients across the state and nation. The group also manages all interactive media services for the public television and radio networks. Education Services manages internship and teaching programs conducted at the NET facility and an Educational Outreach component that works

with formal, informal and non-traditional educators throughout the state.

**NET Technology Services.** NET Technology Services includes the NET\*SAT educational satellite and fiber optic networking system. In 1990, the commission replaced its 25-year-old land-based microwave interconnection system with NET\*SAT. Nebraska was the first state to lease a full-time satellite transponder for educational and public service and the first to distribute its public broadcasting services via satellite. NET moved to two new satellite transponders in January 2000.

Many of NET’s services are distributed via NET\*SAT, a multiple-channel video and audio service that provides real-time, two-way and one-way video and audio throughout the United States. NET Technology Services also operates a fiber optic service to connect groups of elementary, secondary and postsecondary schools for two-way instruction and to provide videoconferencing capabilities for state agencies, colleges and universities and extension offices across Nebraska.

**Governance.** The Nebraska Educational Telecommunications Commission has 11 members. Nine are appointed by the governor and are subject to legislative approval. The Nebraska commissioner of education, or his or her designee, and the president of the University of Nebraska, or his or her designee, are standing commission positions. Appointed members include:

- a Nebraska state college representative
- a Nebraska community college representative
- a Nebraska private educational institution representative
- six members of the public, two from each congressional district in Nebraska, none of whom are associated with any of the institutions listed above. No more than four may be actively engaged in the teaching profession or administration of an educational institution.

Commissioners are appointed to four-year terms on a staggered basis. The commission meets monthly, when necessary, with most meetings held at the Educational Telecommunications Center. Members are not paid but are reimbursed for expenses.

<b>Commissioner</b>	<b>Represents</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Dennis Baack, Lincoln .....	Community Colleges.....	Jan. 12, 2019
Kenneth Bird, Omaha .....	District 2 .....	Jan. 12, 2018
Curt Frye, Wayne.....	State Colleges .....	Jan. 12, 2017
Marilyn B. Hadley, Kearney .....	District 3 .....	Jan. 12, 2017
Patricia Kircher, Omaha.....	District 2 .....	Jan. 12, 2019
Fred Ohles, Lincoln .....	Private Colleges.....	Jan. 12, 2018
J. Richard Shoemaker, Cambridge .....	District 3 .....	Jan. 12, 2018
Clay Smith, Lincoln.....	District 1 .....	Jan. 12, 2017
Darlene Starman, Lincoln.....	District 1 .....	Jan. 12, 2019
Dara L. Troutman, Lincoln .....	University of Nebraska .....	Nonexpiring
Matt Blomstedt, Central City .....	Commissioner of Education.....	Nonexpiring

**Transmitter Call Letters/Channels/Frequencies**

Location	Digital Television	Radio
Alliance.....	KTNE-DTV/13.....	KTNE-FM/91.1
Bassett.....	KMNE-DTV/7.....	KMNE-FM/90.3
Beatrice.....	K23AA-DTV/23.....	N/A
Blair.....	K24GO-DTV/24.....	N/A
Chadron.....	K06JC-DTV/6.....	KCNE-FM/91.9
Columbus.....	N/A.....	K212AV-FM/90.3
Crawford.....	K06KR-DTV/6.....	N/A
Culbertson.....	K44FN-DTV/44.....	K224CH-FM/92.7
Decatur.....	K34IB-DTV/34.....	N/A
Falls City.....	K46FG-DTV/46.....	K219CE-FM/91.7
Harrison.....	K08LN-DTV/8.....	K208CB-FM/89.5
Hastings.....	KHNE-DTV/28.....	KHNE-FM/89.1
Lexington.....	KLNE-DTV/26.....	KLNE-FM/88.7
Lincoln.....	KUON-DTV/12.....	KUCV-FM/91.1*
Max.....	K33FO-DTV/33.....	K227AC-FM/93.3
Merriman.....	KRNE-DTV/12.....	KRNE-FM/91.5
Neligh.....	K50IO-DTV/50.....	N/A
Niobrara.....	K14MI-DTV/14.....	N/A
Norfolk.....	KXNE-DTV/19.....	KXNE-FM/89.3
North Platte.....	KPNE-DTV/9.....	KPNE-FM/91.7
Omaha.....	KYNE-DTV/17.....	N/A
Pawnee City.....	K33AC-DTV/33.....	N/A
Verdigré.....	K10JW-DTV/10.....	N/A
Wauneta.....	K20JY-DTV/20.....	N/A

\*Originating station.

**State Electrical Division**

**Office Address:** 521 S. 14th St., Suite 400, P.O. Box 95066, Lincoln, NE 68508-2707, phone (402) 471-3550, website — [www.electrical.nebraska.gov](http://www.electrical.nebraska.gov)

**Executive Director:** Randy Anderson

**Statutory Reference:** 81-2103

The State Electrical Division:

- licenses electricians
- enforces minimum wiring standards, as outlined in the current edition of the

National Electrical Code

- inspects electrical installations
- investigates electrical fires, accidents and electrocutions

*State Electrical Board*

**Contact Person:** Randy Anderson, Executive Director, State Electrical Division, 521 S. 14th St., Suite 400, P.O. Box 95066, Lincoln, NE 68508-2707, phone (402) 471-3550

**Statutory Reference:** 81-2103

The State Electrical Division includes a State Electrical Board, which directs the role of the division’s executive director and sets division policy. The executive director serves as the board’s executive secretary.

The State Electrical Board has seven governor-appointed members who are approved by the Legislature to five-year terms. Members include a journeyman electrician,

an electrical contractor or master electrician, a certified electrical inspector, a registered professional engineer, a state rural electric system representative, a state municipal electric system representative, and a seventh member who may represent any of the above groups. The board meets a minimum of six times a year. Members are not paid but are reimbursed for expenses.

Member	Position	Term Expires
Ed Bergstraesser, Lincoln	Certified Electrical Inspector	Sept. 13, 2015
James Brummer, Norfolk	Rural Electric Representative	Sept. 13, 2019
Stanley Elsasser, Bellevue	Electrician	Oct. 13, 2015
John F. Hiller, Omaha	Electrical Contractor	Sept. 13, 2017
George Morrissey, Omaha	Professional Engineer	Sept. 13, 2018
Cory Mueller, Seward	Licensed Electrical Contractor	Sept. 13, 2015
Tom Ourada, Crete	Municipal Electric System	Sept. 13, 2019

## Board of Engineers and Architects

**Office Address:** 215 Centennial Mall South, Suite 400, P.O. Box 95165, Lincoln, NE 68509, phone (402) 471-2021, fax (402) 471-0787, email address — [nbea.office@nebraska.gov](mailto:nbea.office@nebraska.gov), website — [www.ea.nebraska.gov](http://www.ea.nebraska.gov)

**Executive Director:** Steve Masters

**Statutory Reference:** 81-3428

The 1937 Legislature created the Board of Examiners for Professional Engineers and Architects. This measure was reconfirmed in 1984. Legislation passed in 1997 changed the name to the Board of Engineers and Architects and updated provisions in compliance with national models. The board licenses qualified engineers and architects and disciplines license holders when necessary. The office is supported solely through fees from those who use the board's services.

The board has eight members appointed by the governor to five-year terms. Four of the eight are professional engineers, three are architects and one is a public member. Both an architecture and an engineering faculty member from the University of Nebraska serve as members.

Board members must be U.S. citizens who have lived in Nebraska for at least a year. Members must be licensed and active in engineering or architecture for at least 10 years, and must have been in charge of architecture or engineering work for at least five of those years at the time of his or her appointment.

The board meets approximately 10 times a year. Members are paid a \$60 per diem when conducting board business and are reimbursed for necessary expenses.

Member	Position	Term Expires
Mark S. Champion, Lincoln	Architect	Feb. 28, 2019
Fred Choobineh, Lincoln	UNL College of Engineering	Feb. 28, 2015
Michael J. Conzett, Omaha	Engineer	Feb. 28, 2018
Roger M. Helgoth, Omaha	Engineer	Feb. 28, 2017
Krista Kester, Douglas	Public Member	Feb. 28, 2018
Jennifer Klein, Lincoln	Engineer	Feb. 28, 2015
Lori Krejci, Elkhorn	Architect	Feb. 28, 2016
Thomas Laging, Lincoln	UNL College of Architecture	Feb. 28, 2019

## Equal Opportunity Commission

**Office Address:** 301 Centennial Mall South, Fifth Floor, P.O. Box 94934, Lincoln, NE 68509-4934, phone (402) 471-2024, toll-free phone (800) 642-6112, website — [www.neoc.ne.gov/](http://www.neoc.ne.gov/)

**Executive Director:** Barbara Albers

**Statutory Reference:** 48-1116

The Equal Opportunity Commission operates under the Nebraska Fair Employment Practice Act, the Equal Pay Act, the Nebraska Age Discrimination in Employment Act, the Fair Housing Act and the Civil Rights Act of 1969 regarding public accommodations.

**Fair Employment Practice Act.** The commission investigates charges of employment discrimination because of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, disability or marital status. Discrimination charges must be filed within 300 days of the alleged act for all governmental agencies and employers with more than 15 employees. Jurisdiction covers employers, employment agencies, labor organizations and joint labor-management committees. The commission investigates specific complaints, conducts hearings, subpoenas witnesses, administers oaths and takes testimony. The commission may obtain a court decree to enforce an order.

**Equal Pay Act.** Employers cannot pay employees who do the same job different wages because of their gender. This does not include wage rates established by a seniority system, a merit increase system, or earnings passed on production quality or any factor other than gender. Charges of discrimination can be filed against employers with 15 or more employees.

**Nebraska Age Discrimination in Employment Act.** Employers cannot discriminate in the workplace because of age, except when the job's demands require employees to be a certain age group. These prohibitions are limited to workers who are at least 40 years of age. Charges of discrimination may be filed against governmental agencies and employers with 20 or more employees within 300 days of the alleged act.

**Fair Housing Act.** State policy prohibits discrimination based on race, religion, color, sex, disability, family status or national origin in acquiring or owning housing. If the commission determines that a city has a law to administer this act's provisions, the commission may refer housing discrimination complaints of that city to the appropriate local agency. If the local agency does not promptly handle complaints to protect the party's rights, the commission may regain jurisdiction. Complaints should be filed within one year after the alleged act. If the commission determines a complaint has reasonable cause and does not receive voluntary compliance with this act, the commission may file a civil action in the complainant's county in district court.

**Civil Rights Act of 1969 (Public Accommodations).** This act establishes that all persons are entitled to equal enjoyment of any public place, without discrimination or segregation on the grounds of race, color, sex, religion, national origin or ancestry. Anyone claiming to be harmed by an unlawful discriminatory practice may file a complaint with the commission. A complaint must be filed within 10 days after the alleged act of discrimination. Exceptions include places owned and operated by religious associations and private establishments not open to the public.

The commission’s seven members are named by the governor to three-year terms. Members meet monthly. They are paid \$50 a day when working on commission business and are reimbursed for expenses. The commission appoints an executive director, who can appoint additional staff if the commission deems it necessary.

<b>Member</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Eric Drumheller, Lincoln.....	Sept. 25, 2017
Rita Griess, Lincoln .....	Sept. 25, 2016
Royce Jeffries, Waverly .....	Sept. 25, 2016
Arnold Nesbitt, Omaha .....	Sept. 25, 2017
Thomas Nielsen, Lincoln.....	Sept. 25, 2017
Janet Palmtag, Nebraska City .....	Sept. 25, 2015
Kristin Yates, Lincoln.....	Sept. 25, 2015

## Nebraska Ethanol Board

**Office Address:** 301 Centennial Mall South, Fourth Floor, P.O. Box 94922, Lincoln, NE 68509-4922, phone (402) 471-2941, website — [www.ne-ethanol.org](http://www.ne-ethanol.org)

**Administrator:** Todd C. Sneller

**Statutory Reference:** 66-1335

The Nebraska Ethanol Board, previously known as the Nebraska Gasohol Committee, works with public and private partnerships to expand the production and use of ethanol and related products.

The board administers the Agricultural Alcohol Fuel Tax Fund, which comes from a checkoff of off-highway fuel taxes. The board uses this money to promote the use of ethanol-blended fuels, assists companies with ethanol plant development in Nebraska and sponsors research and development of ethanol-related products.

The Nebraska Ethanol Board has seven members appointed by the governor to four-year terms with approval by the Legislature. Four members must be Nebraska farmers representing general farming, corn farming, wheat farming and sorghum farming. One member must represent Nebraska petroleum marketers, one member must represent business in the state and one member must represent labor in the state. No more than four members may belong to the same political party.

The board meets monthly. Members are paid \$25 a day when conducting board business and are reimbursed for expenses. The board employs a full-time administrator, who serves at the pleasure of the board.

The board is advised by a four-member advisory committee (statutory reference: 66-1337), representing the Nebraska Department of Economic Development, the University of Nebraska, the Nebraska Department of Agriculture and the Nebraska Energy Office.

<b>Member</b>	<b>Represents</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Charles J. (Tod) Brodersen, Hastings (D) <sup>4</sup> .....	Petroleum Marketers .....	Aug. 31, 2016
Timothy L. Else, Belvidere (R).....	Sorghum.....	Aug. 31, 2015
Galen E. Frenzen, Fullerton (D) .....	Corn.....	Aug. 31, 2017
Steve Hanson, Elsie (R).....	Wheat.....	Aug. 31, 2015
Paul R. Kenney, Kearney (D) .....	Business.....	Aug. 31, 2017

<sup>4</sup>Political party affiliation: R=Republican; D=Democrat.

Mark Ondracek, Blair (D).....	Labor.....	Aug. 31, 2018
Michael S. Thede, Palmer (R) .....	General Farming.....	Aug. 31, 2018

## Foster Care Review Office

**Office Address:** 521 S. 14th St., Suite 401, Lincoln, NE 68508, phone (402) 471-4420, fax (402) 471-4437, toll-free phone (800) 577-3272, website — [www.fcro.nebraska.gov](http://www.fcro.nebraska.gov)

**Director:** Kim Hawekotte

**Statutory Reference:** 43-1302

The agency was created in 1982 with the Legislature’s passage of LB714, the Nebraska Foster Care Review Act. The act was created in response to Public Law 96-272, federal legislation mandating a response to problems in each state’s foster care system. The Nebraska Foster Care Review Act mandates permanency plans for children and oversight by the Foster Care Review Office of all children involved in the state’s foster care system. The foster care system includes children in all types of out-of-home placements, whether they have been abused, neglected, dependent or delinquent.

The purpose of the Foster Care Review Office is to provide information and direct reporting to the courts, the state Department of Health and Human Services and the Legislature regarding the foster care system in Nebraska; to provide oversight of the foster care system; and to make recommendations to the Legislature regarding foster care policy.

Oversight by the office occurs at four levels:

- periodic review of children in out-of-home care by trained agency staff and local board members with reports and case-level recommendations provided to the legal parties to those cases
- an independent tracking system to ensure that children are not lost in the system
- visitation and observation of foster care facilities to ascertain that the individual physical, psychological and sociological needs of each foster child are being met
- preparation of quarterly and annual reports to the Legislature, stakeholders and the public that provide an analysis of child welfare system data and recommendations for system-level improvements

Beginning in 2013, for administrative purposes, the offices of the staff of the Nebraska Children’s Commission are located in the Foster Care Review Office. The commission, with assistance from the executive director of the Foster Care Review Office, employs a policy analyst to provide research and expertise to the commission relating to the state’s child welfare system. The Foster Care Review Office director is a voting member of the Nebraska Children’s Commission, which will terminate June 30, 2016, unless continued by the Legislature.

The Foster Care Review Office is supported by the Foster Care Advisory Committee. It is the committee’s responsibility to hire the director of the Foster Care Review Office.

The Foster Care Advisory Committee has five members selected from lists compiled by the Legislature’s Health and Human Services Committee and appointed by

the governor. Three members are selected from a list of 12 local board members, one from a list of four candidates with data analysis experience and one from a list of four candidates to represent the public at large.

Members are appointed to three-year terms and cannot have a pecuniary interest in the foster care system or be employed by the Foster Care Review Office, the Department of Health and Human Services, a county, child-caring agency, child-placing agency or court.

The committee meets at least four times per calendar year. Members are not paid but are reimbursed for expenses.

Member	Represents	Term Expires
Michelle Hynes, Dakota City	Local Board	March 1, 2015
Sheree Keely, Omaha	At Large	March 1, 2015
Sandra Kruback, North Platte	Local Board	March 1, 2017
Elizabeth Neeley, Seward	Data Analysis	March 1, 2017
Craig Timm, Omaha (chair)	Local Board	March 1, 2015

## Game and Parks Commission

**Main Office Address:** 2200 N. 33rd St., P.O. Box 30370, Lincoln, NE 68503-0370, phone (402) 471-0641, fax (402) 471-5528, toll-free game law violation line (Nebraska Wildlife Crimestoppers) (800) 742-7627, *NEBRASKAland Magazine* toll-free subscription line (800) 632-5263, recorded message with information on state parks (800) 826-7275, website — [www.outdoornebraska.org](http://www.outdoornebraska.org)

**Director:** James N. Douglas

**Statutory Reference:** 37-101

**Publications:** laws and regulations; wildlife, parks, fishing and hunting pamphlets; *NEBRASKAland Magazine*; wildlife technical publications; wildlife habitat and wildlife area brochures and pamphlets; fisheries technical publications; Nebraska Technical Series; state park system; periodicals; general outdoors; hunter and bowhunter education; boater education; aquatic education; Project WILD; miscellaneous

**District I/Northwest District Office:** 299 Husker Road, P.O. Box 725, Alliance, NE 69301-0725, phone (308) 763-2940, fax (308) 763-2943

**District II/Northeast District Office:** 2201 N. 13th St., Norfolk, NE 68701-2267, phone (402) 370-3374, fax (402) 370-3256

**District III/Southwest District Office:** 301 E. State Farm Road, North Platte, NE 69101-0430, phone (308) 535-8025, fax (308) 535-8028

**District IV/Southeast District Office:** 2200 N. 33rd St., P.O. Box 30370, Lincoln, NE 68503-0370, phone (402) 471-0641, fax (402) 471-5528

**Bassett Service Center:** 524 Panzer St., P.O. Box 508, Bassett, NE 68714-0508, phone (402) 684-2921, fax (402) 684-2816

**Kearney Service Center:** 1617 First Ave., Kearney, NE 68847-6057, phone (308) 865-5310, fax (308) 865-5309

**Omaha Service Center:** 8495 Frederick St., Omaha, NE 68124-3054, phone (402) 595-2144, fax (402) 595-2569

**Ak-Sar-Ben Aquarium:** 21502 W Hwy. 31, Gretna, NE 68028-7264, phone (402) 332-3901, fax (402) 332-5853

The Game and Parks Commission is in charge of managing state parks, wildlife, fish, wildlife lands, boating and all things related to these areas. The commission is funded through permit sales, state general fund allocations and federal funds. This money is held by the state treasury in various cash funds, which are used to administer and develop state fish, game and park resources. The game fund, which includes boat registration money, also is used to enforce and administer state boating laws and support the construction and maintenance of boating facilities. The Park Cash Fund and General Fund appropriations support the state parks. The Land and Water Conservation Fund, a federal grant-in-aid program that is administered by the commission, helps state and local governments acquire and develop outdoor recreation facilities. The commission also administers the Trail Development Assistance Act, another grant-in-aid program.

The commission recognizes state game refuges created by the Legislature in Boyd, Dodge, Douglas, Garden, Holt, Keya Paha, Lincoln, Rock and Saunders counties. The commission also maintains public use areas — including fish hatcheries, recreation areas, state parks and state historical parks — and wildlife management areas.<sup>5</sup>

The commission has its headquarters in Lincoln and has six district offices at Alliance, Bassett, Kearney, Norfolk, North Platte and Lincoln, plus a Metro Information Office in Omaha. Each district office, except District 2 at Bassett, has a supervisory conservation officer, a fisheries manager, a wildlife manager and support staff.

The commission originated in 1879 when a Board of Fish Commissioners was created to increase fish populations and distribution in Nebraska's public waters. In 1901, the governor was made commissioner of a Game and Fish Commission and had two deputies. The commission was disbanded in 1919, and administration of game and fish laws was given to the Department of Agriculture, where it became known as the Bureau of Game and Fish.

The 1921 Legislature created a state Park Board in the Department of Public Works that was attached to the University of Nebraska's Department of Horticulture in 1923. In 1929, the Bureau of Game and Fish and the state board were abolished and replaced with the Game, Forestation and Parks Commission. The governor served as the commission's chairperson. The law was changed in 1935 and again in 1947 and 1949. The 1967 Legislature created the post of state forester for the University of Nebraska. This removed responsibility for forests from the commission, and its name was changed to the Game and Parks Commission.

The 2008 Legislature expanded the number of commission districts to nine by adding one at-large member. Commissioners are appointed by the governor and approved by the Legislature for four-year terms. Lifetime membership is limited to two terms. Commission members must be Nebraska residents and well-informed on wildlife conservation and restoration and at least two members must work in agriculture. No more than five members may belong to the same political party. Political affiliation is

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<sup>5</sup> See listings for public use areas and wildlife management areas on Pages 639-642.

based on a member's voter registration as of the statewide general election prior to his or her appointment.

The commission meets at least four times a year. Members receive \$35 a day when conducting commission business and are reimbursed for expenses.

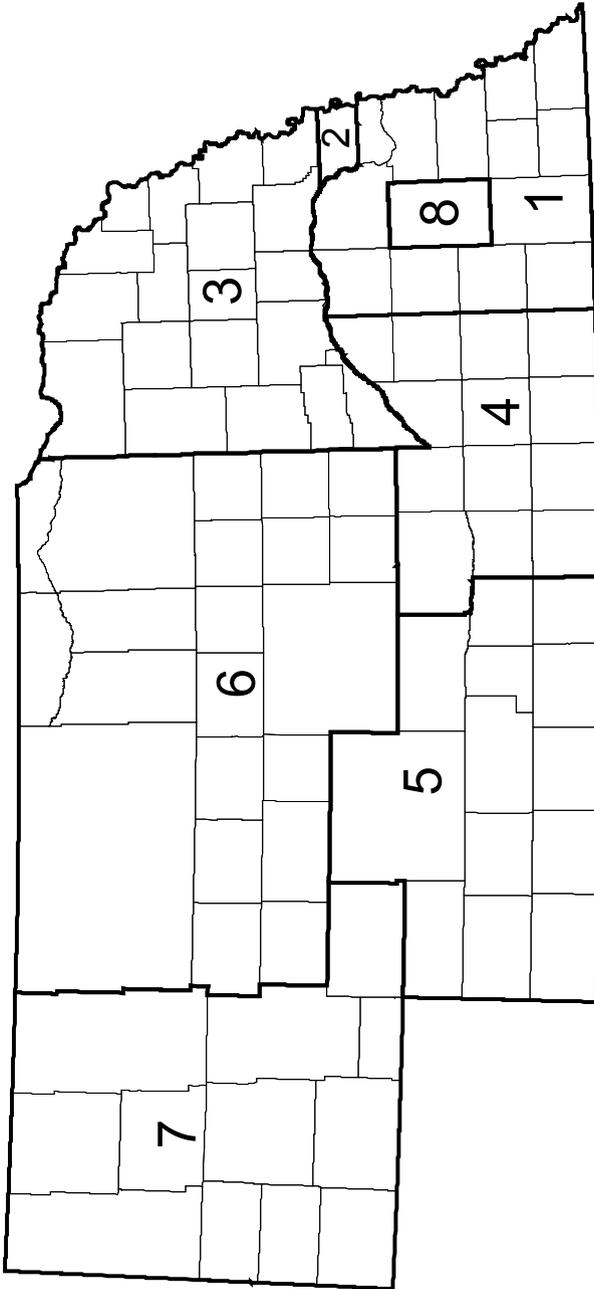
The commission appoints a secretary, who acts as director and chief conservation officer. The law allows the director to apply civil service rules in appointing conservation officers.

<b>Member</b>	<b>Represents</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Robert Allen, Eustis (I) <sup>6</sup> .....	District 5, Rancher .....	Jan. 15, 2019
Dick Bell, Omaha (R) .....	District 2.....	Jan. 15, 2016
Lynn Berggren, Broken Bow (D) .....	District 6.....	Jan. 15, 2017
Rex Fisher, Omaha (R).....	At Large.....	Jan. 15, 2018
Dr. Kent Forney, Lincoln (R).....	District 8.....	Jan. 15, 2017
S. Michael Jensen, Blair (I).....	District 3.....	Jan. 15, 2017
Norris Marshall, Kearney (I).....	District 4.....	Jan. 15, 2019
Mark Pinkerton, Wilber (I).....	District 1.....	Jan. 15, 2016
Mark Spurgin, Ogallala (R).....	District 7, Farmer/Rancher.....	Jan. 15, 2018

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<sup>6</sup> Political party affiliation: D=Democrat, R=Republican, I=Independent.

Nebraska Game and Parks Commission Districts\*



\* Source: Nebraska Game and Parks Commission.

## Public Use Areas\*

### State Parks

Name	County	Name	County
Chadron.....	Dawes	Niobrara.....	Knox
Eugene T. Mahoney.....	Cass	Platte River.....	Cass
Fort Robinson.....	Dawes and Sioux	Ponca.....	Dixon
Indian Cave.....	Nemaha and Richardson	Smith Falls.....	Cherry

### Historical Parks

Name	County	Name	County
Arbor Lodge.....	Otoe	Buffalo Bill Ranch.....	Lincoln
Ashfall Fossil Beds.....	Antelope	Fort Atkinson.....	Washington
Ash Hollow and Bluewater Battlefield Overlook Site.....	Garden	Fort Hartsuff.....	Valley
Bowring Sandhills Ranch.....	Cherry	Fort Kearny.....	Kearney
		Rock Creek Station.....	Jefferson

### Recreation Areas

Name	County	Name	County
Alexandria.....	Jefferson	Merritt Reservoir.....	Cherry
Blue River.....	Seward	Minatare Lake.....	Scotts Bluff
Bluestem.....	Lancaster	Mormon Island.....	Hall
Box Butte Reservoir.....	Dawes	North Loup.....	Howard
Branched Oak.....	Lancaster	Olive Creek.....	Lancaster
Bridgeport.....	Morrill	Pawnee Lake.....	Lancaster
Buffalo Bill.....	Lincoln	Pelican Point.....	Burt
Calamus.....	Garfield	Red Willow Reservoir.....	Frontier
Cheyenne.....	Hall	Riverview.....	Otoe
Conestoga Lake.....	Lancaster	Rock Creek.....	Dundy
Cottonwood Lake.....	Cherry	Rock Creek Station.....	Jefferson
Dead Timber.....	Dodge	Rockford Lake.....	Gage
DLD.....	Adams	Sandy Channel.....	Buffalo and Phelps
Enders Reservoir.....	Chase	Schramm Park.....	Sarpy
Fort Kearny.....	Buffalo and Kearney	Sherman Reservoir.....	Sherman
Fremont Lakes.....	Dodge	Stagecoach Lake.....	Lancaster
Gallagher Canyon.....	Dawson	Summit Lake.....	Burt
Johnson Lake.....	Gosper	Sutherland Reservoir.....	Lincoln
Keller Park.....	Brown	Swanson Reservoir.....	Hitchcock
Lake McConaughy.....	Keith	Two Rivers.....	Douglas
Lake Ogallala.....	Keith	Union Pacific.....	Buffalo
Lake Wanahoo.....	Saunders	Verdon.....	Richardson
Lewis and Clark Lake.....	Knox	Victoria Springs.....	Custer
Long Lake.....	Brown	Wagon Train.....	Lancaster
Long Pine.....	Brown	Walgren Lake.....	Sheridan
Louisville.....	Cass	War Axe.....	Buffalo
Maloney Reservoir.....	Lincoln	Wildcat Hills.....	Scotts Bluff
Medicine Creek Reservoir.....	Frontier	Willow Creek.....	Pierce
Mempis.....	Saunders	Windmill.....	Buffalo

\*Source: Nebraska Game and Parks Commission.

## Public Use Areas (Cont'd.)

### Recreational Trail

Name	Counties
Cowboy Trail.....	Antelope, Brown, Cherry, Dawes, Holt, Madison, Rock and Sheridan
Lied Platte River Bridge.....	Cass, Sarpy

### Fish Hatcheries

Name	County	Name	County
Antelope Creek.....	Cedar	North Platte Hatchery.....	Lincoln
Calamus.....	Garfield	Rock Creek Hatchery.....	Dundy
Crawford Hatchery.....	Dawes	Swan Lake.....	Holt
Grove Trout Station.....	Antelope	Valentine Hatchery.....	Cherry
Minature Nursery Pond.....	Scotts Bluff		

### Wildlife Management Areas\*

Name	County	Name	County
Alexandria.....	Jefferson	Bruce Cowgill.....	Merrick
American Game Marsh.....	Brown	Buckskin Hills.....	Dixon
Anderson Bridge.....	Cherry	Buffalo Creek.....	Scotts Bluff and Banner
Arbor Lake.....	Lancaster	Bufflehead.....	Buffalo
Arcadia Diversion Dam.....	Custer	Bulrush.....	Clay
Arnold Trupp.....	Morrill	Bur Oak.....	Seward
Arrowhead.....	Gage	Burchard.....	Pawnee
Ash Grove.....	Franklin	Burton's Bend.....	Furnas, Harlan and Red Willow
Aspinwall Bend.....	Nemaha	Calamus.....	Loup
Avocet.....	Grant	Cambridge Diversion Dam.....	Furnas
Ayr Lake.....	Adams	Catfish Run.....	Saunders
Ballards Marsh.....	Cherry	Cattail.....	Hall
Bassway Strip.....	Buffalo	Cedar Canyon.....	Scotts Bluff
Basswood Ridge.....	Dakota	Cedar Creek Island.....	Cass
Bazile Creek/Lewis and Clark.....	Knox	Cedar Valley.....	Lincoln
Beaver Bend.....	Boone	Chadron Creek Ranch.....	Dawes
Berggren-Young.....	Custer	Chalkrock.....	Cedar
Big Alkali.....	Cherry	Chat Canyon.....	Cherry
Big Horn.....	Dawes	Chester Island.....	Lincoln
Big Springs.....	Keith	Chet and Jane Fliesbach.....	Morrill
Birdwood Lake.....	Lincoln	Clear Creek.....	Keith
Bittern's Call.....	Dawson	Conestoga.....	Lancaster
Bittersweet.....	Deuel	Coot Shallows.....	Buffalo
Black Island.....	Cuming	Cornhusker Farm.....	Hall
Blue Bluff.....	Seward	Cottonwood/Steverson.....	Cherry
Blue Heron.....	Dawson	Council Creek.....	Nance
Blue Hole.....	Buffalo	Cozad.....	Dawson
Blue Hole East.....	Buffalo	Darr.....	Dawson
Bluebill.....	Fillmore	Darr Strip.....	Dawson
Bluestem.....	Lancaster	Davis Creek.....	Greeley and Valley
Bluwing.....	Clay	Deep Well.....	Hamilton
Bobcat.....	Brown	De Fair Lake.....	Grant
Bohemia Prairie.....	Knox	Denman Island.....	Buffalo
Bordeaux.....	Dawes	Diamond Lake.....	Gage
Borman Bridge.....	Cherry	Divoky Acres.....	Saline
Bowwood.....	Pawnee	Dogwood.....	Dawson
Box Butte Reservoir.....	Dawes	Don Dworak.....	Nance
Box Elder Canyon.....	Lincoln	Donald Whitney.....	Gage
Brady.....	Lincoln	Dry Creek.....	Holt
Bramble.....	Saunders	Dry Sandy.....	Thayer
Branched Oak No. 18.....	Lancaster	East Cozad.....	Dawson
Brownville Bend.....	Nemaha	East Darr.....	Dawson

\*Source: Nebraska Game and Parks Commission.

## Wildlife Management Areas (Cont'd.)

Name	County	Name	County
East Gothenburg.....	Dawson	Little Salt Creek West .....	Lancaster
East Hershey.....	Lincoln	Loch Linda .....	Hall
East Odessa.....	Buffalo	Lone Tree .....	Merrick
East Phillips Canyon.....	Gosper	Long Pine .....	Brown
East Sutherland.....	Lincoln	Lookingglass Creek .....	Platte
East Willow Island.....	Dawson	Lores Branch.....	Pawnee
Elkhorn.....	Madison	Louisville .....	Sarpy
Elk Point Bend.....	Dixon	Loup Bottoms.....	Howard
Elm Creek.....	Webster	Loup River Public Power District.....	Nance
Elwood.....	Gosper	Margrave.....	Richardson
Enders Reservoir.....	Chase	Marsh Duck.....	York
Father Hupp.....	Thayer	Marsh Hawk.....	Fillmore
Flat Water Landing.....	Platte	Marsh Wren.....	Howard
Flathhead.....	Jefferson	Martin's Reach.....	Hall
Flatsedge.....	Polk	Mayberry.....	Pawnee
Fort Robinson.....	Sioux	Medicine Creek.....	Frontier
Four-Mile Creek .....	Richardson	Memphis Lake .....	Saunders
Fred Thomas.....	Rock	Meridian.....	Thayer
Fremont Slough.....	Lincoln	Merritt Reservoir.....	Cherry
Frenchman.....	Hayes	Metcalf.....	Sheridan
Frye Lake.....	Grant	Middle Decatur Bend .....	Burt
Gadwall.....	Hamilton	Milburn Dam .....	Blaine
George D. Syas .....	Platte	Mirdan Canal.....	Garfield
Gifford.....	Sarpy	Montz Point.....	Scotts Bluff
Gilbert/Baker.....	Sioux	Mulberry Bend.....	Dixon
Goose Lake.....	Holt	Muskat Run .....	Lincoln
Green Wing.....	Clay	Myrtle E. Hall.....	Loup and Custer
Greenhead.....	Clay	Narrows .....	Webster
Greenvale.....	Knox	Nine Mile Creek .....	Scotts Bluff
Grove Lake.....	Antelope	North Lake Basin.....	Seward
Guide Rock Diversion Dam.....	Webster	North River.....	Lincoln
Hackberry Creek .....	Antelope	Northeast Sacramento.....	Kearney
Hamburg Bend .....	Otoe	O. John Emerson .....	Holt
Hansen Memorial Reserve.....	Lincoln	Oak Glen.....	Seward
Harold W. Andersen .....	Howard	Oak Valley.....	Madison
Hayes Center.....	Hayes	Ogallala Strip.....	Keith
Hedgefield No. 10A.....	Lancaster	Olive Creek.....	Lancaster
Helmuth Marsh .....	Lancaster	Omadi Bend.....	Dakota
Hershey.....	Lincoln	Osage .....	Johnson
Hickory Ridge.....	Johnson	Overton .....	Dawson
Hidden Marsh.....	York	Oxford.....	Furnas
High Basin.....	Phelps	Parshall Bridge.....	Boyd
Holt Creek.....	Keya Paha	Pawnee.....	Lancaster
Hull Lake-Easement .....	Boyd	Pawnee Prairie.....	Pawnee
Indian Creek.....	Webster	Pawnee Slough.....	Lincoln
Iron Horse Trail.....	Gage, Pawnee and Richardson	Peru Boat Ramp.....	Nemaha
Jack Sinn Memorial .....	Lancaster and Saunders	Peru Bottoms.....	Nemaha
Jeffrey Lake .....	Lincoln	Peterson .....	Sioux
Kansas Bend .....	Nemaha	Pine Glen.....	Brown
Kea West.....	Buffalo	Pintail .....	Hamilton
Keller Park.....	Brown	Platte.....	Lincoln
Kent Diversion Dam .....	Loup	Plum Creek.....	Dawson and Gosper
Killdeer .....	Lancaster	Plum Creek Valley.....	Brown
Kinters Ford.....	Richardson	Ponderosa.....	Dawes
Kiowa.....	Scotts Bluff	Powder Creek.....	Dixon
Kirkpatrick Basin North .....	York	Powder Horn .....	Dodge
Kirkpatrick Basin South.....	York	Prairie Knoll.....	Pawnee
Kissing Basin.....	Clay	Prairie Marsh.....	Thayer
Langdon Bend .....	Nemaha	Pressey.....	Custer
Larkspur.....	Saunders	Rakes Creek.....	Cass
Leonard A. Koziol.....	Howard	Randall W. Schilling.....	Cass
Limestone Bluffs .....	Franklin	Rat and Beaver Lake .....	Cherry
Little Blue .....	Thayer	Redhead .....	Fillmore
Little Blue East.....	Thayer	Red Fox.....	Stanton
Little Salt Creek.....	Lancaster	Red Willow Diversion Dam .....	Red Willow

## Wildlife Management Areas (Cont'd.)

Name	County	Name	County
Red Willow Reservoir .....	Frontier	Taylor's Branch .....	Pawnee
Red Wing .....	Antelope	Teal No. 22A .....	Lancaster
Redbird .....	Holt	Thomas Creek .....	Keya Paha
Redtail .....	Butler	Thompson-Barnes .....	Wayne
Renquist Basin .....	York	Triple Creek .....	Otoe
Rhoden .....	Cass	Twin Lakes No. 13 .....	Seward
Rock Glen .....	Jefferson	Twin Lakes RC .....	Rock
Rose Creek .....	Jefferson	Twin Oaks .....	Johnson
Sacramento-Wilcox .....	Phelps	Two Rivers .....	Douglas
Saline County .....	Saline	Verdel Landing .....	Knox
Sandpiper .....	Fillmore	Wagon Train .....	Lancaster
Schlagel Creek .....	Cherry	Wanamaker .....	Chase
Scotia Canal .....	Valley	Wapiti .....	Lincoln
Shell Lake .....	Cherry	Wellfleet .....	Lincoln
Sherman Reservoir .....	Sherman	West Brady .....	Lincoln
Shypoke .....	Seward	West Cozad .....	Dawson
Sioux Strip .....	Wayne	West Elm Creek .....	Dawson
Skull Creek .....	Butler	West Gothenburg .....	Lincoln
Smartweed Marsh .....	Nuckolls	West Hershey .....	Lincoln
Smartweed Marsh West .....	Nuckolls	West Maxwell .....	Lincoln
Smith Lake .....	Sheridan	West Sacramento .....	Phelps
Sora .....	Fillmore	Whitefront .....	Clay
South Fork .....	Richardson	Whitetail .....	Colfax
South Pine .....	Brown	Whitney Inlet .....	Dawes
South Sacramento .....	Harlan	Wildcat Hills .....	Banner and Scotts Bluff
South Twin Lake .....	Brown	Wildwood .....	Lancaster
Southeast Sacramento .....	Harlan	Wilkinson .....	Platte
Spencer Dam .....	Holt	William Gilmour .....	Cass
Spikerush .....	York	Willow Island .....	Dawson
Stagecoach .....	Lancaster	Willow Lake B.C. ....	Brown
Straight Water .....	Seward	Wilson Creek .....	Otoe
Sunny Hollow .....	Nance	Wiseman .....	Cedar
Sunshine Bottoms .....	Boyd	Wood Duck .....	Stanton
Swan Creek .....	Saline	Wood River West .....	Hall
Swanson Reservoir .....	Hitchcock	Yankee Hill No. 10 .....	Lancaster
Table Rock .....	Pawnee	Yellowbanks .....	Madison

## Board of Geologists

**Address:** 215 Centennial Mall South, Suite 400, P.O. Box 94844, Lincoln, NE 68509-4844, phone (402) 471-8383, fax (402) 471-0787, email address — [nebog.board@nebraska.gov](mailto:nebog.board@nebraska.gov), website — [www.nebog.ne.gov](http://www.nebog.ne.gov)

**Statutory Reference:** 81-3520

The Geologists Regulation Act, passed in 1998, provides for the certification and licensure of professional geologists in Nebraska whose activities may affect public health and safety. The board accomplishes this through licensure, education, compliance oversight, regulatory services and other duties specified by the act.

The board consists of seven governor-appointed individuals who serve five-year terms. Six members are licensed professional geologists who have at least 10 years of experience. One of the geologist members must be a member of the professional faculty of a geology or related geosciences department of a college or university located in Nebraska. The seventh member represents the public. The board meets at least once a year. Members are not paid but are reimbursed for expenses.

Member	Position	Term Expires
Dennis J. Anderson, Omaha.....	Geologist .....	Feb. 28, 2015
Thomas G. Correll, Omaha.....	Geologist .....	Feb. 28, 2017
Andrew E. Grimm, Omaha.....	Public.....	Feb. 28, 2019
Martha “Marty” L. Link, Lincoln .....	Geologist .....	Feb. 28, 2016
Harmon D. Maher, Jr., Omaha .....	Geologist/Education .....	Feb. 28, 2018
Ralph E. Martin, Jr., Lincoln.....	Geologist .....	Feb. 28, 2019
David M. Svingen, Lincoln.....	Geologist .....	Feb. 28, 2016

## Grain Sorghum Development, Utilization and Marketing Board

**Office Address:** 301 Centennial Mall South, Fourth Floor, P.O. Box 94982, Lincoln, NE 68509-4982, phone (402) 471-4276, fax (402) 471-3040, email address — [sorghum.board@nebraska.gov](mailto:sorghum.board@nebraska.gov), website — [www.sorghum.state.ne.us](http://www.sorghum.state.ne.us)

**Executive Director:** Barbara Kliment

**Statutory Reference:** 2-4002

The 1981 Legislature passed the Grain Sorghum Resources Act to set up a check-off system and to create the Grain Sorghum Development, Utilization and Marketing Board to administer checkoff funds. The program requires a checkoff of one cent per hundredweight, which is collected at the point of first sale of all grain sorghum sold through commercial channels or delivered in Nebraska. The money is used to help grain sorghum producers finance market development, research, promotion, education and federal legislation.

Overseas market development programs are supported with these funds. In this effort, the board works with the U.S. Grains Council, the United Sorghum Checkoff Program and the National Sorghum Producers. Through worldwide offices, producers investigate new markets while maintaining established ones.

The board cooperates with the University of Nebraska’s Institute of Agriculture

and Natural Resources in conducting research projects.

The board has seven members. Six are appointed by the governor from each of Nebraska's four production districts and two represent the state at large. The board elects the seventh member, who also represents the state at large. All members serve three-year terms and must be Nebraska residents who are at least 21 years old and grow grain sorghum.

The governor chooses appointees from candidates who have completed and filed an application with the governor's office and have submitted a cover letter, two letters of endorsement from sorghum growers and proof of sorghum production. The Nebraska Department of Agriculture director and the vice chancellor of the Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources are ex officio board members.

The board meets at least once every three months and at other times as needed. Members are not paid but are reimbursed for expenses.

Member	Representing	Term Expires
Mike Baker, Trenton.....	District 4.....	July 1, 2015
John Dolnicek, Lawrence.....	District 2.....	July 1, 2016
John Dvoracek, Farwell.....	District 3.....	July 1, 2016
Kevin Janicek, Wauneta.....	At Large.....	July 1, 2015
Klint Stewart, Columbus.....	At Large.....	July 1, 2017
Duane Sugden, Sterling.....	District 1.....	July 1, 2014
Duane Vorderstrasse, Hebron.....	At Large.....	July 1, 2016
Greg Ibach, Lincoln.....	Department of Agriculture.....	Ex Officio
Ronnie Green, Lincoln.....	Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources.....	Ex Officio

## Nebraska State Historical Society<sup>7</sup>

**Office Address:** 1500 R St., P.O. Box 82554, Lincoln, NE 68501-2554, phone (402) 471-3270, fax (402) 471-3100, website — [www.nebraskahistory.org](http://www.nebraskahistory.org)

**Director:** Michael J. Smith

**Statutory Reference:** 82-101

**Publications:** *Nebraska History*, special publications of the Nebraska State Historical Society; *Nebraska History News*, listing events and news for society members; *Nebraska Trailblazer* (33 titles), a newspaper for Nebraska elementary students; publications in anthropology (11 numbers); *Nebraska Timeline*, a weekly column distributed to Nebraska newspapers; miscellaneous pamphlets; website, blog and Facebook page.

The Nebraska State Historical Society (NSHS) was founded in 1878 and was made a state institution in 1883. The NSHS became a state agency in 1994. NSHS collects and preserves historical information and objects for the state's benefit and administers museums and seven historic sites, the State Archives, the State Historic Preservation Office, the Office of the State Archaeologist and the Gerald R. Ford Conservation Center. NSHS receives Legislative appropriations plus federal and private funds.

Legislative acts in 1905 and 1969 made the Historical Society responsible for preserving public records of state and local government that the State Archives division determines to be historically valuable. The State Archives holds government records

<sup>7</sup>For a list of local historical organizations in Nebraska, see Pages 661-668.

dating back to 1854 along with county, municipal and some federal records about Nebraska's development. Other archival holdings include 15,000 linear feet of manuscript collections comprising business, political, religious and personal papers that document the state's development. The photograph collection includes more than 300,000 images relating to Nebraska and its residents. The audio-visual collection consists of over 6.5 million feet of moving images and videotape and several thousand sound recordings.

The Nebraska History Library holds approximately 80,000 volumes pertaining to Nebraska and Great Plains history. Along with books, pamphlets and periodicals, the library has over 3,000 flat maps and atlases, as well as special reference files and indexes on Nebraskans and Nebraska topics. Newspaper holdings date back to 1854 and consist of more than 35,000 reels of microfilm - the largest collection of Nebraska newspapers in existence.

The NSHS's Nebraska History Museum collects and preserves artifacts that help to document and interpret the cultures of people who have lived in Nebraska and the Great Plains from prehistoric times through the present day.

The Gerald R. Ford Conservation Center, a division of the NSHS located in Omaha, provides conservation of historical documents, textiles and museum objects. The center houses a digital imaging laboratory, which offers the highest quality imaging for cultural collections.

The NSHS determines which historical events, sites and traditions are important to the state, and it procures and maintains historical markers. The society accepts gifts to further carry out the program. Most markers are erected and the sites maintained by the Department of Roads. Currently, there are more than 500 uniform markers statewide.

The NSHS investigates historic and prehistoric archaeological sites. A highway salvage archaeology program, started in 1957, entered into a formal agreement with the Department of Roads in 1960. NSHS staff archaeologists survey, record and excavate sites threatened by road construction or repair.

The NSHS is governed by a board of trustees, 12 of whom are elected by the members from each of the state's congressional districts. The governor appoints three members to the board, one from each congressional district, who serve three-year terms. The director/CEO of the NSHS is the board's secretary.

The NSHS trustees meet quarterly. Members are not paid but are reimbursed for expenses.

<b>Trustee</b>	<b>Represents</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Dee Adams, Merna .....	District 3.....	Dec. 31, 2014
Steffan Baker, Ord .....	District 3.....	Dec. 31, 2014
Jeff Barnes, Omaha .....	District 2.....	Dec. 31, 2015
Cloyd Clark, McCook.....	District 3.....	Dec. 31, 2016
Cherrie Beam Clarke, Fremont.....	District 1.....	Dec. 31, 2016
Brian Croft, Scottsbluff .....	District 3, Governor's Appointee.....	Dec. 31, 2017
Spencer Davis, Bellevue .....	District 1.....	Dec. 31, 2015
José Garcia, Omaha .....	District 2.....	Dec. 31, 2014
Taylor Keen, Omaha .....	District 2.....	Dec. 31, 2016
Kay Kimberly, Big Springs.....	District 3.....	Dec. 31, 2015
Sharif Liwaru, Omaha.....	District 2, Governor's Appointee.....	Dec. 31, 2015
Jim McKee, Lincoln.....	District 1.....	Dec. 31, 2014

Sheryl Schmeckpeper, Norfolk.....	District 1.....	Dec. 31, 2014
Roger Wehrbein, Plattsmouth.....	District 1, Governor’s Appointee.....	Dec. 31, 2013
Bryan R. Zimmer, Omaha.....	District 2.....	Dec. 31, 2014
Michael J. Smith, Lincoln.....	Secretary/Director/CEO, NSHS.....	Nonexpiring

*Nebraska State Historic Preservation Board*

**Contact Person:** Bob Puschendorf, Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer, State Historic Preservation Office, 1500 R St., P.O. Box 82554, Lincoln, NE 68501-2554, phone (402) 471-3270, fax (402) 471-3100, website — [www.nebraskahistory.org](http://www.nebraskahistory.org)

**Statutory Reference:** Public Law 89-665, 80 STAT.915, 16 USC 470, et al

In 1967, the Nebraska State Historical Society (NSHS) was directed to carry out the provisions of the National Historic Preservation Act for Nebraska (NRS 82-118 as amended). Through this program, the NSHS can nominate places, structures and objects that are significant to history, architecture, archaeology and culture to the National Register of Historic Places. Other program activities involve maintaining a statewide inventory of sites, reviewing federal actions for effects on historic properties, qualifying private development projects for historic preservation tax incentives and certifying local governments to participate in state and federal preservation programs. Nebraska maintains a statewide historic preservation plan. The director of the NSHS serves as state historic preservation officer, and the Nebraska State Historic Preservation Board, consisting of members appointed by the state historic preservation officer, serves in an advisory capacity for the state’s historic preservation program under definition of the National Historic Preservation Act.

Member	Position	Term Expires
Nancy Carlson, Genoa.....	Member.....	2015
Barry Jurgensen, Omaha.....	Member.....	2016
John Kay, Lincoln.....	Member.....	2015
Chris Lemke, Lincoln.....	Member.....	2015
Nichole Malone, Omaha.....	Member.....	2014
Elizabeth Spilinek, Hastings.....	Member.....	2014
Tom Theissen, Pleasant Dale.....	Member.....	2016
Jinny Turman, Kearney.....	Member.....	2016
Dan Worth, Lincoln.....	Member.....	2014
Dee Adams, Merna.....	President, NSHS Board of Trustees.....	Nonexpiring
Michael J. Smith, Lincoln.....	State Historic Preservation Officer.....	Nonexpiring

*State Historical Records Advisory Board*

**Contact Person:** Gayla Koerting, State Archivist, Nebraska State Historical Society, P.O. Box 82554, Lincoln, NE 68501, phone (402) 471-4783.

The State Historical Records Advisory Board’s function is to provide leadership in encouraging, promoting and assisting the advancement of programs to preserve and make accessible historical records in Nebraska. As the central advisory body for historical records planning, the board’s role is to investigate and report on the conditions and needs of historical records in Nebraska; to determine state priorities for historical records projects based upon National Historical Publications and Records Commission (NHPRC) guidelines and record conditions and needs; to solicit, foster and develop

proposals for NHPRC projects to be carried out within the state; and to review grant proposals submitted by Nebraska institutions and make recommendations to NHPRC.

A majority of members must have experience in the administration of government records, historical records or archives and should broadly represent public and private archives, records offices and research institutions and organizations in the state.

<b>Member</b>	<b>Represents</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Kathryn Aultz, Omaha.....	District 2.....	April 15, 2016
James Griffin, North Platte.....	District 3.....	April 15, 2017
Jessica Noyd, Grand Island.....	District 3.....	April 15, 2015
Rebecca Pasco, Lincoln.....	District 1.....	April 15, 2017
Anthony Pontiero, Omaha.....	District 1.....	April 15, 2016
John Schleicher, Omaha.....	District 2.....	April 15, 2017
Cathy Danahy, Lincoln.....	Secretary of State Records Management.....	Nonexpiring
Mary Eickhoff, Falls City.....	NACO.....	Nonexpiring
Gayla Koerting, Lincoln.....	Nebraska State Historical Society.....	Nonexpiring
Michael J. Smith, Lincoln.....	Nebraska State Historical Society.....	Nonexpiring

# Nebraska Historical Markers, 2014\*

County	Marker Name	Location
Adams	Central Hastings Historic District.....	Alexander Park, 7th St. and N. Lincoln Ave., Hastings
	Crystal Lake.....	Crystal Lake State Recreation Area, Ayr
	Susan O. Hail Grave.....	3.5 miles west and 2 miles north of Kenesaw
	Hastings Chautauqua Pavilion.....	Chautauqua Park, 5th Street and Laird Avenue, Hastings
	Hearthwell Park Historic District.....	Hearthwell Park, Forest Blvd. and N. California Avenue, Hastings
	Kingston Cemetery.....	U.S. 281, 2.5 miles northeast of Ayr
	Naval Ammunition Depot.....	Central Community College, 1.5 miles east of Hastings on U.S. 6
	The Oregon Trail.....	U.S. 67/34, 9 miles west of Hastings
	The Neigh Mill.....	U.S. 275, Neigh Mill State Historic Site, Neligh
	The Neigh Mill Bridge.....	U.S. 275, Neigh Mill State Historic Site, Neligh
Antelope	Ponca Trail of Tears - White Buffalo Grf <sup>1</sup> .....	U.S. 275, Neigh Cemetery
	The Prairie States Forestry Project.....	1.5 miles north of Orchard
Boone	Logan Fontenelle <sup>2</sup> .....	Neb. 14, Petersburg City Park
	St. Edward.....	City Park, adjacent to Neb. 39
Box Butte	Alliance Army Air Field.....	Neb. 2, Airport Road, Alliance
	Box Butte Country.....	Northeast corner, junction of Neb. 7E and Neb. 87, 10 miles east of Hemingford
Burlington	Locomotive 719.....	Southwest corner of 18th and Box Butte Ave., Alliance
	Hemingford.....	Main Street, Hemingford
Boyd	The Sidney-Black Hills Trail.....	Neb. 2, 10 miles west of Hemingford, 1.7 miles east of junction of Neb. 2 and Neb. 71
	Lewis and Clark Camp Site: September 7, 1804.....	Neb. 12, 1/2 mile east of Lynch
Brown	Lost Armies of World War II.....	Neb. 12, 1/2 mile east of Naper near Knollcrest Cemetery
	Ainsworth Army Air Field.....	Ainsworth Municipal Airport
Buffalo	Lakeland Sod High School.....	U.S. 20, 7.5 miles west of Ainsworth
	Buffalo County's Lincoln Highway Seedling Mile.....	19th Avenue and 24th Street/U.S. 30, University of Nebraska at Kearney
	CCC Camp, Ravenna, NE.....	Neb. 2, 1 mile southeast of Ravenna
	Elm Creek.....	Library on Tyler Street, Elm Creek
	Gibbon.....	Gibbon Heritage Center, 2nd and Court Street, Gibbon
	Gibbon, 1871-1971.....	Windmill Park access road, 2 miles south of Gibbon
Burt	The Great Plains.....	180 rest area, westbound, Kearney
	Historic Kearney.....	City Centennial Park, Kearney
	Joseph E. Johnson and <i>The Huntsman's Echo</i> .....	Railroad Park, Main Street and U.S. 30, Shelton
	Kearney Cotton Mill.....	U.S. 30, 3 miles west of Kearney
	Kearney - Fort Kearney.....	1-80 rest area, eastbound, Kearney
	Nebraska Centre - Boyd Ranch.....	U.S. 30, 1.75 miles west of Gibbon
	Post South Loup Fork "Fort Banishment" <sup>3</sup> .....	Neb. 2, 1 mile southeast of Ravenna
	University of Nebraska at Kearney.....	1 mile west of junction of Neb. 10 and U.S. 30
	Watson Ranch.....	U.S. 30, 4 miles west of Kearney
	The Logan Creek Site <sup>4</sup> .....	U.S. 77, 2 miles south of Oakland

\* Source: Nebraska State Historical Society.

# Nebraska Historical Markers, 2014 (Cont'd.)

County	Marker Name	Location
Burt (Cont'd.)	Lyons.....	U.S. 77, south of Lyons
	Tekamah.....	U.S. 73, Tekamah
	Victor Colson Homestead.....	U.S. 77, 1/2 mile north of Oakland
Builer.....	Shinn's Ferry.....	Neb. 64, 3.5 miles east of Bellwood
Cass.....	Bess Streeter Aldrich: 1881-1954.....	Bess Streeter Aldrich House, 204 East F St., Elmwood
	Company A - First Nebraska Infantry: 1861-1866.....	Cass County Historical Society Museum, 646 Main St., Plattsmouth
	Lewis and Clark Camp Site: July 21, 1804.....	U.S. 75 at south end of Platte River bridge
	Prehistoric Burial Site?.....	Eugene T. Mahoney State Park, 4 miles south of Ashland
	St. Patrick's Cemetery.....	Manley
	Weeping Water Academy.....	Weeping Water Public Library; Randolph and H streets
Cedar.....	Cedar County.....	County Courthouse, Hartington
	Hartington, Home of Two Nebraska Governors.....	304 W. Franklin St., Hartington
	Historic Missouri Valley.....	U.S. 81, about 3 miles south of Yankton, S.D.
	Paragon Cemetery.....	88498-567 Ave., Hartington
	Scenic Missouri Valley.....	U.S. 81, about 3 miles south of Yankton, S.D.
Chase.....	Champion Water-powered Mill.....	Champion Mill State Historical Park, Champion
Cherry.....	Bryan Bridge.....	Turnout off U.S. 20, southeast of Valentine
	Fort Niobrara.....	U.S. 20, 1.5 miles southeast of Valentine
	Midair Collision of P-47 "Thunderbolt" Fighter Planes, 1944.....	U.S. 20, Wood Lake
	Opening the Sandhills.....	U.S. 20, 3.7 miles east of Cherry-Sheridan west line, 9.7 miles east of Neb. 20 and Neb. 27 junction
Cheyenne.....	Cheyenne County.....	1-80 rest area, eastbound, Sidney
	Discovery Oil Well - Maathon Oil Co.....	U.S. 385, 4.5 miles south of Gurley
	Early Irrigation in Cheyenne County.....	U.S. 30, 1 mile east of Potter
	Fort Sidney.....	U.S. 30, east edge of Sidney
	Geology.....	1-80 rest area, eastbound, Sidney
	The Golden Link.....	1-80 rest area, eastbound, Sidney
	Lodgepole and the Union Pacific Railroad.....	Depot Museum, north of U.S. 30 on McCall Street, Lodgepole
	Nebraska's Earliest Documented Burial.....	Fort Sidney Road between Toledo Street and Deaver Drive, Sidney
	Sidney-Black Hills Trail.....	U.S. 30, west edge of Sidney
	Sidney-Cheyenne County.....	1-80 rest area, eastbound, Sidney
	Sioux Army Depot.....	U.S. 30, northwest of Brownson
Clay.....	Clay Center.....	Alexander and Johnson avenues, Clay Center
	1872 Edgar 1972.....	Neb. 14, 4 miles west of Edgar
	Harvard.....	City Park, Harvard
	Harvard Army Air Field.....	Harvard Veterans' Memorial Park, Main Street (Clay Avenue), Harvard
	Harvard Jail.....	South side of Oak Street, between Harvard and Clay streets, Harvard
	The Soldiers' Monument.....	Southwest section of City Park, Cedar and Saunders streets, Sutton
	Spring Ranchite.....	Neb. 74, 7 miles west of Fairfield
	Sutton.....	City Park, Sutton

## Nebraska Historical Markers, 2014 (Cont'd.)

County	Marker Name	Location
Cuming	Bancroft.....	1/2 mile west of junction of Neb. 51 and Neb. 16
	DeWitt Historical Site.....	3 miles north of West Point on U.S. 275, 3/4 mile north Elm and Washington streets, Bancroft
	John G. Neihardt Center.....	Grove and Washington streets, Bancroft
	John G. Neihardt Study.....	City Park, Ansley
Custer	Ansley 1886-1986.....	County Courthouse, Broken Bow
	Broken Bow.....	12.5 miles south of Ansley on U.S. 183, then 6 miles west, on north side of intersection
	Custer County's First Courthouse.....	Neb. 40, Morgan Park, Callaway
	The Nebraska State Grange.....	Neb. 2, 5 miles northwest of Broken Bow
Dakota	Westerville 1880-1980.....	Junction of Neb. 70 and U.S. 183, west edge of Westerville
	Combs School: Built 1857 - Closed 1904.....	U.S. 77, 1.5 miles south of Homer
	Lewis and Clark Camp Site: August 21, 1804.....	U.S. 20, 1 mile west of Jackson
	St. John's: 1856.....	U.S. 20, Jackson
	Territorial Church.....	Corner of Hickory and S. 15th St., Dakota City
	Tonwantonaga.....	U.S. 77, 3 miles north of Homer
Daves	Bordeaux Trading Post.....	U.S. 20, Museum of the Fur Trade, 3 miles east of Chadron
	Butte Country.....	U.S. 20, 4 miles east of Crawford
	Chadron-Chicago Cowboy Race (1893).....	Second and Bordeaux streets, Chadron
	Chadron Creek Trading Post.....	U.S. 385, 5.5 miles south of Chadron
	Chadron State Park.....	U.S. 385, 8 miles south of Chadron
	The Council Tree.....	5 miles east of Crawford on Highway 20, north on Whitney Lake Road, 1.2 miles to Old Highway 20, west .6 mile
	Crawford.....	Wayside Park, junction of U.S. 20 and Neb. 2, Crawford
Crawford	1891 School Bell.....	Southeast corner of Coates and Fifth streets, Crawford
	The Death of Baptiste Garnier.....	Main Street, Crawford
	The First Church in Chadron.....	Chadron Avenue and Fourth Street, Chadron
	The Fort Pierre-Fort Laramie Trail.....	Roadside park, west of junction of U.S. 385 and U.S. 20, Chadron
	Adobe Officers' Quarters.....	Fort Robinson State Park
	1887 Barracks Row.....	Fort Robinson State Park
	1909 Brick Barracks.....	Fort Robinson State Park
	Buffalo Soldiers at Fort Robinson.....	Fort Robinson State Park
	Fighting in the Buttes.....	Fort Robinson State Park
	Flagstaff: 1890.....	Fort Robinson State Park
	The Flight of the Cheyennes.....	Fort Robinson State Park
	German P.O.W. Camp.....	Fort Robinson State Park
	K-9 Training area.....	Fort Robinson State Park
	Officer's Row, 1874-1875.....	Fort Robinson State Park
	Officer's Row, 1909.....	Fort Robinson State Park
	Post Headquarters, 1905.....	Fort Robinson State Park

# Nebraska Historical Markers, 2014 (Cont'd.)

County	Marker Name	Location	
Dawes (Cont'd.)	Red Cloud Agency <sup>3</sup>	Fort Robinson State Park	
	Fort Robinson <sup>2</sup>	Fort Robinson State Park	
	The Fort Robinson Cemetery	Fort Robinson State Park	
	Fort Robinson and the Railroad	Fort Robinson State Park	
	Fort Robinson-Camp Sheridan Pine Ridge Indian Agency Road	Intersection of 16th Street and U.S. 385, Chadron	
	Central Platte Valley	1-80 rest area, eastbound, Cozad	
	Central Platte Valley	1-80 rest area, westbound, Cozad	
	The 100th Meridian	U.S. 30, Cozad	
	Swedish Crosses Cemetery	2 miles north of Gothenburg on Neb. 47, 2 miles west on Road 769	
	The Tobin Indian Raid <sup>1</sup>	U.S. 30, 1.5 miles east of Overton	
Deuel	B-24J Bomber Crash	Pony Express Park, south of Chappell	
	Sam Bass and the Big Springs Robbery	U.S. 138, Eiker Park, Big Springs	
	Big Springs	1-80 rest area, eastbound, Big Springs	
	The Great Platte River Road	1-80 rest area, eastbound, Big Springs	
	Historic Lodgepole Creek Valley	1-80 rest area, eastbound, Chappell	
	Julesburg and Fort Sedgewick	1-80 rest area, eastbound, Chappell	
	Phelps Hotel	Big Springs	
	Waterman Sod House	U.S. 138, Eiker Park, Big Springs	
	The Ionia "Volcano"	Neb. 12, Pfister Park, east edge of Newcastle	
	Lewis and Clark Camp Sites: August 23, 24 and 25, 1804	Neb. 12, 3 miles west of Newcastle	
Dixon	Ponca	Main Street, Ponca	
	Ponca State Park	Ponca State Park	
	The Great Platte River Route West	U.S. 30, Fremont State Lake, 4 miles west of Fremont	
	Millar-Sloss Pioneer Cemetery	1/2 mile west of junction of Neb. 79 and U.S. 30 and 1/4 mile south	
	Pawnee Villages <sup>1</sup>	U.S. 77, south side of Platte River in Cottonwood Cove Park	
	Webster	Intersection of County Road K and Nebraska Highway 79, between North Bend and Snyder	
	Douglas	Ak-Sar-Ben Field and the U.S. Air Mail	UNO, 1110 S. 67th St., Omaha
		Fort Atkinson	1/2 mile east of 96th Street and Neb. 36, north of Omaha
		The Bank of Florence	8500 block on North 30th Street, Omaha
		Before Creighton	Southwest corner of 19th and California streets, Creighton University, Omaha
Boettiger Farm		1/2 mile east of 96th Street and Neb. 36, north of Omaha	
Buffalo Bill and Indian Congress of 1898		Kountze Park, northeast corner of Florence Blvd. and Pickney St., Omaha	
Capitol Hill		20th and Dodge streets, Omaha	
Captain William Clark and Private Rueben Field		Lewis and Clark Landing, adjacent to Qwest Center Omaha	
Central High School		124 N. 20th St., Omaha	
Chief Standing Bear <sup>1</sup>		Standing Bear Lake, 138th and Fort streets	
Creighton University	On the campus, Omaha		
Crook House	30th and Fort streets, Fort Omaha in Omaha		
Duchesne Academy	3601 Burt St., Omaha		

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County	Marker Name	Location
Douglas (Cont'd.)	Father Flanagan's Boys' Home	U.S. 6 and Flanagan Boulevard, Boys' Town Campus
	The Florence Mill	Neb. 36, west of the Mormon Bridge
	Forest Lawn Memorial Park	40th and Forest Lawn Avenue, Omaha (Centennial Garden, Sec. 31)
	George and Sarah Joslyn Home	Northeast side of 40th and Davenport, Omaha
	Historic Prospecta Hill - Omaha's Pioneer Cemetery	33rd and Parker streets, Omaha
	William Henry Jackson	W. Dale Clark Library, 15th and Douglas streets, Omaha
	Kountze Memorial Lutheran Church	2650 Fairmount St., Omaha
	Lewis and Clark Camp Site: July 27, 1804	N.P. Dodge Park, Omaha
	Malcolm "X"	3448 Pinckney St., Omaha
	Nebraska School for the Deaf	3223 N. 45th St., Omaha
	Omaha	Ak-Sar-Ben coliseum, Omaha
	Fort Omaha	30th and Fort streets, Fort Omaha in Omaha
	Oro Indians <sup>2</sup>	Two Rivers State Recreation Area
	Platte River History	Junction of U.S. 275 and Neb. 36, 6 miles northwest of Valley
	ShIPLEY Cemetery	Ponca Hills Fire Station, 12919 Ponca Road, Omaha
	South Omaha People	Metropolitan Community College South Omaha Campus, South 27th and Q streets, Omaha
	Trans-Mississippi and International Exposition	Kountze Park, Omaha
	Winter Quarters	U.S. 75/75, Florence Park, Omaha
Dundy	General Custer in Nebraska	U.S. 34, south edge of Benkelman
	Nature's Gift: The Highway 34 Springs	Old Highway 34, 1/2 mile south on Avenue 339, Benkelman
	Prisoners of War in Dundy County	8.5 miles north of U.S. 34/61 junction, mile marker 13, Benkelman
	Texas Trail Canyon	U.S. 34, 4 miles east of Haigler
	Ward Bond's Boyhood Home	422 W. 5th Ave., Benkelman
	B-7G "Flying Fortress" and P-47D "Thunderbolt" Crash, 1944	Neb. 41, north of Milligan
	Two B-24 "Liberators" Crash Near Milligan, 1943	Neb. 41, north of Milligan
	B1-13B "Valiant" and P-47D "Thunderbolt" Crash, 1944	Neb. 41, north of Milligan
	The Blizzard of 1888	Neb. 41, 3/4 mile north of Milligan
	1879 Exeter 1979	Exeter
	Fairmont Army Air Field	U.S. 81, 2.5 miles south of Fairmont
	Fairmont Army Air Field	U.S. 61 mile east of Fairmont
	Fairmont Creamery Company	Main Street, 2 blocks south of U.S. 6, Fairmont
Fillmore	Fillmore County, 1871-1971	Ninth and G streets, Geneva
	Ohiowa Auditorium	South Main Street, Ohiowa
	The Pioneer Chapel and Ceski Brat Cemetery	Neb. 41, 1 mile west of the Milligan corner
	Stockholm Lutheran Church and Swedish Cemetery	Neb. 74, 2 miles west of Shickley
Franklin	Franklin Academy	City Park, Franklin
	Franklin County	County Courthouse, Franklin
Frontier	Frontier County - Stockville	Neb. 18, 1 mile west of Stockville
	Ingham	Neb. 23, 6 miles east of Moorefield
Furnas	Burton's Bend	U.S. 67/34, Holbrook

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County	Marker Name	Location
Furnas (Cont'd.)	Nebraska's Flying Doctor.....	Neb. 89, 2 miles east of Beaver City
	Norwegian Lutheran Church.....	1.5 miles west, 2 miles north of Holbrook
	The Republican River Flood of 1935.....	U.S. 136, 2 miles west of Oxford
	The Small Schoolhouse.....	Edison
Gage	Homestead Movement.....	1/4 mile south of Beatrice Airport
	The Oketo Cutoff.....	Neb. 8, 6 miles west of Odell
Garden	The Oto and Missouri Agency <sup>2</sup> .....	Neb. 8, south edge of Barneston
	Ash Hollow.....	Ash Hollow State Historical Park Visitor Center, southeast of Lewellen
	Ash Hollow Geology.....	Ash Hollow State Historical Park Visitor Center, southeast of Lewellen
	Battle of Blue Water.....	U.S. 26, 1.5 miles west of Lewellen
	John Hollman Grave.....	Neb. 27, 2 miles south of Oshkosh
	Windlass Hill Pioneer Homestead.....	U.S. 26, Ash Hollow State Historical Park
	The Calamus Valley.....	Calamus Reservoir, Visitor Center overlook, northwest of Burwell
	Easter Blizzard of 1873.....	Neb. 91, 2 miles east of Burwell
	Garfield County.....	County Courthouse, Burwell
	Kamp Kaleo.....	North of Neb. 91 on Kamp Kaleo access road, 1 mile east of Burwell
Gosper	The Pebble Creek Fight.....	Calamus Dam, 2 miles west, 4 miles north of Burwell
	George E. Johnson.....	Neb. 91, 2 miles east of Burwell
	Chalk Mine.....	U.S. 283, Johnson Lake
	B-17 Crash, 1943.....	Neb. 11, 2 miles south of Scotia
	B-17 Bomber Crash, 1944.....	Husker Highway and 150th Road, Wood River
	Central Nebraska Regional Airport.....	5537 St. Paul Rd., Grand Island
	Conflict of 1867 <sup>2</sup> .....	Terminal Building, Grand Island Airport, 3773 Sky Park Road
	Grand Island.....	Lot 6, Amick Acres, 3rd subdivision, near Doniphan
	Grand Island.....	1-80 rest area, eastbound, 2.5 miles east of Interchange 312
	Grand Island.....	1-80 rest area, westbound, 1.5 miles west of Interchange 318
Hall	Hall County Courthouse.....	Courthouse grounds, Grand Island
	The Old Fort Kearny (Nebraska City) Road.....	1.8 miles west of U.S. 281 on Platte River Road, .2 miles north on Amick Avenue
	LaGrande Isle.....	Stolley Park, Grand Island
	The Lincoln Memorial Highway.....	Pioneer Park, West Second and Cleburn streets, Grand Island
	Martin Brothers <sup>2</sup> .....	Crane Meadows Center, south side I-80, Alda Interchange
	The Mormon Trail.....	Stuhr Museum, south of Grand Island
	The O.K. Store.....	Fonner Park, Grand Island
	Old Dodge School - World War II POW Branch Camp.....	Corner of First and Walnut streets, Grand Island
	Pioneer Park.....	Pioneer Park, Grand Island
	Sandhill Cranes.....	2 miles south of Alda Interchange on Alda Road, mile marker 305
Hamilton	The Seeding Mile.....	U.S. 30 and Stuhr Road, east edge of Grand Island
	St. Joseph and Grand Island Railroad.....	Pine Street, in Doniphan
	Original Townsite of Wood River.....	U.S. 30, 3 miles west of Wood River
	Deep Well Irrigation.....	U.S. 34, city park, Aurora
	Farmers' Valley Cemetery.....	5 miles east and 1/2 mile north of Stockham

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County	Marker Name	Location
Hamilton (Cont'd.)	Hamilton County Courthouse	County Courthouse, Aurora
	Yous (Cemetery)	Corner of Neb. L4HD and Co. Rd. E12, 1 mile south of Hampton
Hartan	Pioneer Crossing	Neb. 4, 3 miles west of Raigan
Hayes	The Grand Duke Alexis	3 miles east and 2 miles north of Hayes Center
Hitchcock	Culbertson, First Hitchcock County Seat	City Park, Culbertson
	The Leavenworth and Pike's Peak Express	City Park, Stratton
	Massacre Canyon	U.S. 34, 3.5 miles east of Trenton
	Prisoners of War in Hitchcock County	Main Street, Palisade
	Stone Church	Neb. 17, 8.5 miles south and 1/4 mile east of Culbertson
Holt	O'Neill	U.S. 20, 2 miles southeast of O'Neill
	O'Neill, Irish Capital of Nebraska	Holt County Courthouse, Fourth and Clay streets, O'Neill
	The Savage Brothers, Aviation Pioneers	U.S. 273, east edge of Ewing
	U.S. Highway 281	U.S. 281, 8.5 miles south of O'Neill
Hooker	Site of Hecla, Nebraska	U.S. 2, 11 miles west of Mullen
	Mullen, Hooker County	Hooker County Courthouse, Mullen
Howard	Dannebrog, Nebraska's Danish Capital	Dannebrog
	First Presbyterian Church of St. Paul	816 Indian Street, St. Paul
	Grover Cleveland Alexander	Corner of Fifth Street and Howard Avenue, St. Paul
	St. Wenceslaus Cemetery	1 mile south, 3/4 mile west of junction of Neb. 11 and Neb. 92
Jefferson	1880 Diller 1980	City Park, east side of Neb. 103, Diller
	Jansen	U.S. 136, 1 mile west of Jansen
	Plymouth	Neb. 4, west edge of Plymouth in town park
	The Smith Limestone	River Road, northwest of Fairbury
Johnson	Cook	Intersection of the Cook Spur, Main and Third streets, Cook
	Tecumseh	City Hall, Tecumseh
Kearney	Axtell, Nebraska	U.S. 6/34, City Park, Axtell
	The Burlington and Missouri River Railroad	Neb. 10, 1.5 miles south of Platte River bridge
	Dobytown	Neb. 50A, 2 miles west of Fort Kearny State Historical Park
	The Great Platte River Road	Neb. 44, 1 mile north of junction Neb. 50A
	Fort Kearny	Fort Kearny State Historical Park
	1872 Lowell 1972	South of I-80 exit 285, Lowell townsite
	Osco Cemetery and School	Osco Road, Upland
	Walker's Ranch	Neb. 44, 1/2 mile north of Wilcox
Keith	Ash Hollow	I-80 rest area, westbound, Roscoe
	Boot Hill	Corner of W. Tenth St. and Parkhill, Ogallala
	California Hill	U.S. 30, 5 miles west of Brule
	Court House, Chimney Rock, and Scott's Bluff	I-80 rest area, westbound, Roscoe
	Cowboy Capital	Mansion on the Hill Museum, corner of North Spruce and Tenth streets, Ogallala
	Ogallala	I-80 rest area, eastbound, Roscoe
	Kimball County	I-80 rest area, eastbound, Bushnell
Kimball	Maginnis Frigateon Flume	Old Highway 30, Kimball

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County	Marker Name	Location
Kimball (Cont'd.)	Nebraska.....	1-80 rest area, eastbound, Bushnell
	Lewis and Clark Camp Site: September 2, 1804.....	Village of Lindy
Lancaster	Ponca Tribe <sup>2</sup> .....	Neb. 12, near entrance to Niobrara State Park
	The Sage Brothers.....	Neb. 12, 1.5 miles west of Niobrara
	1776 Bicentennial Prairie Marker 1976.....	U.S. 77 rest area, 2 miles east of Sprague
	The City of Lincoln.....	1-80 rest area, westbound, Lincoln
	Civilian Conservation Corps Co. 2738.....	Main Street, Denton
	Crouse.....	Area 6, Branched Oak State Recreation Area, Raymond
	County-City Building.....	City-County Building, Lincoln
	Fairview: Home of William Jennings Bryan.....	Bryan/GH Medical Center East, 49th and Summer streets, Lincoln
	The Ferguson House.....	700 S. 16th St., Lincoln
	Giant Glacial Boulder.....	14th and Manatt streets, Lincoln
	The Lewis-Syford House.....	700 N. 16th Street, Lincoln
	Lincoln Army Air Field.....	Bowling Lake Park, Lincoln Air Park, Northwest 44th and Cumming streets
Lincoln Aviation Personalities Before 1930.....	Lincoln Municipal Airport	
Lincoln's Emergence as an Aviation Center.....	Lincoln Municipal Airport	
Lincoln's Founding Block.....	Southwest corner of 10th and Q streets, Lincoln	
The Lincoln Regional Center.....	Lincoln Regional Center, Van Dorn and Folsom streets, Lincoln	
Nebraska City - Fort Kearney Cutoff.....	Spring Creek Prairie Audubon Center, 11700 SW 100th St., Denton	
Nebraska's Prairie Plants.....	1-80 rest area, westbound, Lincoln	
The Nebraska State Historical Society.....	1500 R Street, Lincoln	
Nebraska Statehood Memorial.....	1627 H St., Lincoln	
Nine-Mile Prairie.....	Former air base ammunition depot, west of Northwest 48th Street, Lincoln	
Nine-Mile Prairie Memorial.....	Former air base ammunition depot, west of Northwest 48th Street, Lincoln	
The North Bottoms.....	10th and Charleston streets, Lincoln	
Pershing Rifles.....	Military and Naval Science Building, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, 14th and Vine streets, Lincoln	
Rock Island Wreck Site, 1894.....	3/4 mile south of Old Cheney Road, along Jamaica North Trail, Lincoln	
U.S. Post Office and Courthouse (Old City Hall).....	Northwest corner of 10th and O streets, Lincoln	
The University of Nebraska.....	University of Nebraska-Lincoln campus, 11th and S streets, Lincoln	
Crossing the Overland Trail.....	1-80 rest area, eastbound, Sutherland	
Fort McPherson.....	U.S. 30, 1/2 mile west of Maxwell	
Fort McPherson.....	Lincoln County Historical Society Museum, 2403 N. Buffalo St., North Platte	
Fort McPherson and North Platte.....	1-80 rest area, eastbound, Brady	
The Great Platte River Road.....	1-80 rest area, eastbound, Sutherland	
The Great Platte River Road.....	1-80 rest area, eastbound, Sutherland	
Road Ranches Along the Platte.....	1-80 rest area, eastbound, Brady	
Scout's Rest.....	Buffalo Bill's Ranch State Historical Park, North Platte	
Stoux Lookout.....	Courthouse Square, North Platte	

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County	Marker Name	Location
Loup	Harrop	U.S. 183, 18 miles north of Taylor
	Valleyview	Valleyview Flats area, Calamus Reservoir State Recreation Area
Madison	Barnes Reserve Cemetery	Ninth and Ingram streets, west side of Madison
	Battle Creek	Neb. 121, north edge of Battle Creek
	Meadow Grove	U.S. 275 wayside area, east of Meadow Grove
	The Skala Timber House	Parks of Pndle, Nebr. 121, south edge of Battle Creek
	Verges Park	Verges Park, Elkhorn Valley Museum, Norfolk
Merrick	Lone Tree	U.S. 30, Central City, west edge of town
	The Mormon Trail	Junction of U.S. 30 and Neb. 92
Morrill	Bridgeport	U.S. 385, north of Bridgeport, south of Platte River bridge
	Camp Clarke Bridge and Sidney-Black Hills Trail	U.S. 26, 3 miles west of Bridgeport
	Chimney Rock	Neb. 92, southwest of Bayard
	Courthouse and Jail Rocks	Neb. 88, 4.5 miles south of Bridgeport
	Amanda Lammé	U.S. 385, southeast of Bridgeport
	Narcissa Whitman	U.S. 26, 8 miles east of Broadwater
Nance	Genoa, 1857-1859	Neb. 39, City Park, Genoa
	Mormon Pioneer Campsite	Neb. 14, 2 miles south of Fullerton
	Pawnee <sup>2</sup>	Neb. 39, City Park, Genoa
Nemaha	Brownville	U.S. 136, Brownville City Park
	Half-Breed Trail <sup>2</sup>	U.S. 136, 1/2 mile east of Auburn
	Lewis and Clark Camp Site: July 15, 1804	Brownville State Recreation Area
	Muir House	U.S. 136, Brownville
	The Nebraska State Teacher's Association	Brownville Public School
	Nemaha County Courthouse	Courthouse grounds, Auburn
	Peru State College	On campus, Peru
Nuckolls	Indian Captives <sup>2</sup>	Oregon Trail Park, Oak
	1864 Indian Raids	Neb. 14, 9 miles north of Nelson
	Original Townsite of Oak	2 miles southeast of Oak on Oak-Ruskim Road, near Little Blue River
Otoe	The Skirmish at Spring Creek	U.S. 136, 2 miles west of Ruskim
	Abor Lodge	Abor Lodge, Second and Centennial streets, Nebraska City
	Camp Creek Cemetery and Chapel	Northeast corner of County Road P and County Road 70, Nebraska City vicinity
	First United Methodist Church of Nebraska City - Mother Church of Methodism	1023 First Avenue, Nebraska City
	Indian Treaty Monument <sup>2</sup>	U.S. 73/75, about 3 miles west and north of courthouse corner in Nebraska City
	Old Fort Kearny	East Central Avenue, Nebraska City
	Mayhew Cabin 1855	Neb. 2, John Brown Park, Nebraska City
Nebraska City	Nebraska City	2100 4th and Corso
Nebraska City-Fort Kearny Cutoff	Nebraska City-Fort Kearny Cutoff	Neb. 2, northwest edge of Syracuse
1882 Talmage, Nebraska 1982	1882 Talmage, Nebraska 1982	Talmage

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County	Marker Name	Location
Otoe (Cont'd.)	U.S. Air Force Atlas Missile Site	225 N. 56th Road, Nebraska City
Pawnee	Dubois Czech Hall	1.5 miles north of DuBois on U.S. 50, west on county road
	Pawnee City	Mimi park, Seventh and G streets, Pawnee City
	Village of Steinauer	3 miles east of Steinauer
Perkins	The Texas Trail	Neb. 23, east edge of Madrid
	Wild Horse Spring	Neb. 61, 4.5 miles north of Grant
Phelps	Atlanta Prisoner-of-War Camp	U.S. 6/34, 1 mile northeast of Atlanta
	Berrand 1885-1985	City Park, Bertrand
	First Site of Bethel Lutheran Church and Cemetery, June 1879	3 miles east of Holdrege on U.S. 6, 1/2 mile south
	Funk, Nebraska	Harmony Park, Funk
	Historic Platte Valley	U.S. 183, 2 miles south of Platte River bridge
	Phelps County	County Courthouse, Holdrege
	Site of Old Sacramento	4 miles south and 4 miles east of Holdrege
Pierce	Gilman Park	City Park, Pierce
	The Meridian Highway	Highway 13 and 552nd Avenue, south of Pierce
	Old Willow Creek Bridge	City Park, Pierce
Platte	Agricultural Park	Agricultural Park, Tenth Avenue and 15th Street, Columbus
	Duncan, 1871-1971	U.S. 30, corner of Ninth and Main streets, Duncan
	Granville Cemetery	4.5 miles west and 1 mile south of Humphrey on 444th Street
	Alfred Maximilian Gruenther: 1899-1983	City Auditorium, 315 Fourth St., Platte Center
	Andrew Jackson Higgins	U.S. 81, W. Pawnee Park, Columbus
	The Lincoln Highway-Gardiner Station Section	9 miles west of 340th Avenue on 115 Street, west of Columbus
	The North Brothers	U.S. 81, adjacent to Chamber of Commerce, corner of 33rd Avenue and Seventh Street, Columbus
	The Villars Expedition, 1720	Pawnee Park, Columbus
	West Hill Community	West Hill Cemetery, 5.5 miles north and 6 miles west of Monroe
Polk	Oscola and the Early Pioneer: 1867-1967	Neb. 92, east edge of Oscola
	The Village of Polk	2 blocks north of Neb. 66 on Main Street, City Park, Polk
Red Willow	Stromsburg - The Swede Capital of Nebraska	Buckley Park (camping area), on U.S. 81, south edge of Stromsburg
	Mallotek University	U.S. 6/34, Bartley
	McCook Army Air Base	U.S. 83, 7 miles north of McCook
	George William Norris: 1861-1944	Norris Avenue, City Park, McCook
	Pawnee Woman's Grave	City Park, Indianola
Richardson	First Oil Well	Neb. 8, 3 miles west of Falls City
	Humboldt Commercial Historic District	City Square Park, 4th and Central, Humboldt
	Lewis and Clark Camp Site: July 13, 1804	U.S. 159, east side of Rulo
	Missouri River	U.S. 159, east side of Rulo
	Point of Beginning of the Public Land Surveys of the Sixth Principal Meridian	State line on Rulo/White Cloud Road
Rock	Spring Valley Park	U.S. 20, Newport

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County	Marker Name	Location
Saline	Czech Capital	Junction of Neb. 103 and Neb. 41, Wilber
	Nebraska Chautauquas	Tuxedo Park, Crete
	Pfc. Charley Havlat	Saline County Museum, 1445 Nehr. 33, Dorchester
	Pleasant Hill	Pleasant Hill Cemetery, County Road HH, east of Dorchester
	Sgt. Leodegar Schnyder	Neb. 74, northeast corner of Tobias
	Swan City	Neb. 103, 2 miles northwest of DeWitt
Sarpy	Belleuve	U.S. 73/75, south of Bellevue
	Belleuve Log Cabin	19th and Hancock streets, Bellevue
	Fontelle Bank - County Courthouse	Neb. 370, Main and Mission streets, northwest corner, Bellevue
	The Great Plate Valley	1-80 rest area, westbound, Melia Hill
	Grema Fish Hatchery	South of Grema and Ak-Sar-Ben Aquarium, Schramm Recreation Area
	Oto Mission?	U.S. 73/75, south of Bellevue
	New Pennsylvania Cemetery	1/2 mile north of U.S. 370 near 198th Street, east of Gretna
	First Presbyterian Church	20th Avenue and Franklin, Bellevue
	Springfield Community Hall	104 Main St., Spangfield
	The Armour and Company Icehouse	Memphis State Recreation Area
	The Ox-Bow Trail	U.S. 6, Lincoln City Water Treatment Plant, Ashland
	Saunders County	County Courthouse, Wahoo
	The Yuan Oto Indian Village	Neb. 92, just south of Yuan
	The Great Smoke/Horse Creek Treaty	U.S. 26, 3 miles southeast of Henry
Scotts Bluff	Fort Mitchell, 1864-1867	U.S. 92, 4 miles northwest of junction with Neb. 71, west of Scottsbluff
	Scottsbluff Army Airfield	Scotts Bluff County Airport
	Rebecca Winters	U.S. 26, 2 miles east of Scottsbluff
	Beaver Crossing, Nebraska	City Park, Beaver Crossing
	The Beaver Crossing Mill	City Park, Beaver Crossing
	The Big Blue River	1-80 rest area, eastbound, Milford
	Historic Milford	City Park, 600 block of 2nd St., Milford
	Plum Creek Prairie	U.S. 34, east edge of Seward
	Seward, Nebraska's Fourth of July City	County Courthouse, Seward
	Tall Grass Prairie	1-80 rest area, westbound, Goehner
Sheridan	Antioch: Potash Boom-Town	Neb. 2, west of Antioch
	Rushville	Main Street Park, Rushville
	Mari Sandoz - 1896-1966	Neb. 27, 30 miles south of Gordon
	Camp Sheridan and Spotted Tail Agency	U.S. 20, Hay Springs
	Spade Ranch	Neb. 27, Ellsworth
Sherman	Austin	Neb. 58, 7 miles northwest of Rockville
	Dead Horse Creek	Neb. 92, southwest of Loup City
	Loup City Riot, 1934	County Courthouse, Loup City
Sioux	The Cheyenne Outbreak	U.S. 20, 1 mile southwest of Fort Robinson
	Coffee Siding	U.S. 20, 1 mile east of Wyoming line

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County	Marker Name	Location
Sioux (Cont'd.)	Fort Laramie-Fort Robinson Trail	Neb. 29, 11 miles south of Harrison
	Village of Harrison	U.S. 20 and Kate Street, Harrison
Stanton	Stanton County	U.S. 275, 3 miles west of Pilger
Thayer	Bruning Army Air Field	Neb. 4, milepost 118.5, southeast of Bruning
	The Forty-Niner Trail	Thayer County Museum, Belvidere
	Friedensau	U.S. 136, 2 miles east of junction with Neb. 5, near Deshler
	The Hebron CCC and POW Camps	Reverside Park, Hebron
Thayer	Thayer County	Thayer County Courthouse, Hebron
Thomas	The Sandhills	Junction of U.S. 83 and Neb. 2, east of Theedford
Thurston	Omaha Tribe	U.S. 75, Macy
	Susan LaFlesche Picotte Memorial Hospital <sup>1</sup>	North of junction of U.S. 77 and Neb. 94, Walthall
	Susan LaFlesche Picotte Memorial Hospital <sup>2</sup>	In Walthall at the site
	Winnebago Scouts <sup>2</sup>	U.S. 77 Bison Turnout, 1/2 mile north of Winnebago
Valley	Arcadia Centennial, 1885-1985	Neb. 70, west edge of Arcadia
	Arcadia Congregational Church	Hill and Bridge Streets, Arcadia
	Blizzard of 1888	Neb. 70, 9 miles south of Ord
	Calamus Townsite	2.5 miles north of Elyria on road to Fort Hartsuff
	Fort Hartsuff: 1874-1881	Neb. 11, east edge of Elyria
	Fort Hartsuff State Historical Park	Neb. 11, 3 miles north of Elyria on Fort Hartsuff Road
	Evelyn Sharp	Ord Airport, Ord
	St. Mary's Catholic Church	Neb. 11, east edge of Elyria
Washington	Fort Atkinson	U.S. 73, Fort Calhoun
	Fort Atkinson	Fort Atkinson State Historical Park, Fort Calhoun
	Fort Calhoun Schools at Washington Square	11th and Monroe streets, Fort Calhoun
	Brewster Cemetery	2.5 miles west of U.S. 30 on County Road 26
	Congregational Church of Blair	16th and Colfax streets, Blair
	Cuming City Cemetery and Nature Preserve	3.5 miles north of Blair on U.S. 173 and 1/2 mile west on county road
	DeSoto Townsite	U.S. 73, Omaha Public Power District plant north of Fort Calhoun
	Lewis and Clark Camp Site: July 30 - August 2, 1804	Fort Atkinson State Historical Park
	Lewis and Clark Camp Site: August 3-4, 1804	YMCA, 1278 Wilbur St., Blair
	Steamboat Bertrand	Iowa U.S. 30, DeSoto National Wildlife Refuge
	The Death of Marshal Stoverkrubbe	U.S. 75 and Washington Street, Fort Calhoun
Wayne	Wayne	Neb. 35, at airport east of Wayne
	Wayne State College	Neb. 15, west side of Bentback Hall, Wayne State College
Webster	Burlington Depot	Corner of Seward and Welch streets, Red Cloud
	Cather Childhood Home	Third Avenue and Walnut Street, Red Cloud
	Willa Cather Memorial Prairie	U.S. 281, 6 miles south of Red Cloud
	Catherland	U.S. 281, Neb. 4, 14 miles north of Red Cloud
	Cowles Consolidated School	Fourth and Adams streets, Cowles
	Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 1904-1952	8 miles north, 2.5 miles west of junction of U.S. 136 and Neb. 78

## Nebraska Historical Markers, 2014 (Cont'd.)

County	Marker Name	Location
Webster (Cont'd.)	Grace Episcopal Church	Sixth Avenue and Cedar Street, Red Cloud
	Republican Pawnee Village <sup>2</sup>	Corner of Third Avenue and Webster Street, Red Cloud
	School District 35, "The Killough School"	Neb. 78, Guide Rock
	St. Juliana Falconeri Catholic Church	7 miles north of Guide Rock on Neb. 78, 2 miles east, 1.5 miles north
	Benjamin Wagoner Memorial Cemetery	Third Avenue and Walnut Street, Red Cloud
	Webster County, 1871-1971	4 miles south on U.S. 281, then 3.75 miles east from Red Cloud
York	Bradshaw	U.S. 281, Red Cloud
	Henderson Mennonite Centennial 1874-1974	Village Park, 400 Lincoln Avenue, Bradshaw
	Nebraska 4-H Clubs Began in York County	Henderson
	Nebraska City - Fort Kearny Cut-off	City Park, 14th and Cedar streets, Henderson
	Nebraska City - Fort Kearny Cut-off	York County Fairgrounds on lawn of 4-H Building, York
	Porcupine Ranch	1-80 rest area, eastbound, York
		1-80 rest area, westbound, York
		1.5 miles north of I-80, exit 342

<sup>2</sup>Denotes American Indian historical marker.

# Nebraska Historical Organizations, 2014\*

City	Name	Address
Ainsworth	Brown County Historical Society	43026 Finch Road, Ainsworth, NE 69210
Albion	Boone County Historical Society	1025 W. Fairview, P.O. Box 414, Albion, NE 68620
Allen	Dixon County Historical Society and Museum	Box 95, Allen, NE 68710
Alliance	Knight Museum and Sandhills Center	908 Yellowstone, P.O. Box D, Alliance, NE 69301
Arapahoe	Furnas-Gosper Historical Society and Museum	401 Nebraska Ave., 42751 Road 732, Arapahoe, NE 68922-0303
Arthur	Arthur County Historical Society	401 Nebraska Ave., P.O. Box 115, Arthur, NE 69121-0134
Ashland	Saline Ford Historical Preservation Society	26259 W. Park Highway, Ashland, NE 68003
	Strategic Air and Space Museum	28210 W. Park Highway, Ashland, NE 68003
Ashton	Polish Heritage Center	226 W. Cardeton, P.O. Box 3, Ashton, NE 68817
Atkinson	Sturdevant-McKee Foundation and Museum	308 S. Main St., P.O. Box 225, Atkinson, NE 68713-0145
Auburn	Nemaha Valley Museum Inc.	1423 19th St., P.O. Box 25, Auburn, NE 68830
Aurora	Hamilton County Historical Society - Plainsman Museum	210 16th St., Aurora, NE 68818
Bancroft	John G. Neihardt State Historic Site	301 W. Elm St., P.O. Box 344, Bancroft, NE 68004-0344
Bartlett	Wheeler County Historical Society	P.O. Box 194, Bartlett, NE 68622
Bassett	Rock County Historical Society - Courthouse Museum	P.O. Box 32, Bassett, NE 68714
Bayard	Bayard Depot Museum	P.O. Box 32, Bassett, NE 68714
	Chimney Rock National Historic Site - Abbott Visitor Center	103 S. Main St., P.O. Box 345, Bayard, NE 69334-0345
	Chimney Rock National Historic Site - Abbott Visitor Center	9822 Road 75, P.O. Box F, Bayard, NE 69334-0680
Beatrice	Gage County Heritage Preservation	721 Grant, Beatrice, NE 68310
	Gage County Historical Society Museum	101 N. Second St., P.O. Box 793, Beatrice, NE 68310-0793
	Hornestead National Monument	8523 W. State Highway 4, Beatrice, NE 68310
	Main Street Beatrice	204 4th St., P.O. Box 125, Beatrice, NE 68310
Bellevue	Sarpy County Historical Society	2402 Clay St., Bellevue, NE 68005
Belvidere	Taylor County Historical Society and Museum	311 Seventh St., Belvidere, NE 68315
Benkelman	Dundy County Historical Society	522 Arapahoe, P.O. Box 511, Benkelman, NE 69021
Bennington	Bennington Historical Society	P.O. Box 15, Bennington, NE 68007
Blair	Blair Historic Preservation Alliance	P.O. Box 94, Blair, NE 68008
Boys Town	Father Flanagan's Boys' Home Hall of History	14057 Flanagan Blvd., Boys Town, NE 68010
Brady	Fort Brady Museum	P.O. Box 11, Brady, NE 69123
Brewster	Blaine County Historical Society	43007 Schipporeit Road, Brewster, NE 68821
Bridgeport	Pioneer Trails Museum	East Highway 385, Bridgeport, NE 69336
Broken Bow	Custer County Historical Society	445 S. Ninth Ave., P.O. Box 334, Broken Bow, NE 68822-0334
Brownville	Brownville Historical Society	131 Main St., P.O. Box 1, Brownville, NE 68321
	Captain Meriwether Lewis Foundation	P.O. Box 145, Brownville, NE 68321
Burwell	Fort Hartsuff State Historical Park	82036 Fort Ave., Burwell, NE 68823
	Garfield County Historical Society	737 H St., Burwell, NE 68823
Butte	Butte Community Historical Center and Museum	721 First St., Butte, NE 68722
Cairo	Cairo Roots Research Museum	305 S. Third St., Cairo, NE 68824
Callaway	Seven Valleys Historical Society and Museum	607 S. Wymore, Callaway, NE 68825

\* Source: Nebraska State Historical Society.

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City	Name	Address
Cambridge	Cambridge Museum	612 Penn St., P.O. Box 129, Cambridge, NE 69022
Central City	Merrick County Historical Society and Museum	211 E. St., Central City, NE 68826
Chadron	Dawes County Historical Society and Museum	341 Country Club Road, P.O. Box 1319, Chadron, NE 69337-4319
	Eleanor Barbour Cook Museum of Geology	Chadron State College, 1000 Main St., Chadron, NE 69337
	Hudson-Meng Education and Research Center	125 N. Main St., Chadron, NE 69339
	Mari Sandoy High Plains Heritage Center	Chadron State College, 1000 Main St., Chadron, NE 69337
	Museum of the Fur Trade	6321 Highway 20, P.O. Box 1276, Chadron, NE 69337
Chappell	Chappell Museum Association - Deuel County Historical Society	P.O. Box 324, Chappell, NE 69129-0324
Charkson	Charkson Historical Society	221 Pine St., P.O. Box 121, Clarkson, NE 68629
Clay Center	Clay County Historical Society and Museum	316 W. Glenville St., P.O. Box 191, Clay Center, NE 68933-0201
Columbus	Platte County Historical Society	2916 16th Street, P.O. Box 31, Columbus, NE 68602
Comstock	Dowse Sod House	80560 Oak Grove Road, Comstock, NE 68828
	The Kriakac Museum and Pirate Cove	46331 804 A Road, Comstock, NE 68828
Cozad	100th Meridian Museum	218 E. Eighth St., P.O. Box 355, Cozad, NE 69130
	Robert Henri Museum	218 E. Eighth St., P.O. Box 355, Cozad, NE 69130
Crawford	Crawford Historical Society and Museum	359 Second St., P.O. Box 333, Crawford, NE 69339
	Fort Robinson Museum	3200 W. Highway 20, P.O. Box 304, Crawford, NE 69339-0304
	Trailside Museum - Fort Robinson State Park	Highway 20, P.O. Box 462, Crawford, NE 69339-0462
Creighton	Creighton Historical Center, Inc.	P.O. Box 538, Creighton, NE 68729
	Boswell Observatory Museum, Doane College	1014 Boswell Ave., Crete, NE 68333
Crete	Crete Heritage Society - Historic Bickel Farmstead	800 West 13th St., P.O. Box 304, Crete, NE 68333
	Nebraska Preservation Network	841 Forest Ave., Crete, NE 68333
Curtis	Frontier County Historical Society	P.O. Box 242, Curtis, NE 69025-0242
Dakota City	Dakota County Historical Society	P.O. Box 971, Dakota City, NE 68731
Dalton	Dalton Historical Society	P.O. Box 353, Dalton, NE 69131
David City	Bulwer County Historical Society	3861 MN Road, David City, NE 68632
	Thorpe Opera House Foundation	P.O. Box 91, David City, NE 68632
Dawson	Pennsylvania Colony of Nebraska Historical Society	71329 638 Ave., Dawson, NE 68337
Decatur	Decatur Historical Committee	400 W. Eighth St., Decatur, NE 68020
Denton	Denton Community Historical Society	P.O. Box 405, Denton, NE 68339
DeWitt	DeWitt Historical Society and Museum	15124 N. Blue Ridge Road, DeWitt, NE 68341
Dorchester	Milford Area Historical Society	1479 County Road C, Dorchester, NE 68345
Elgin	Elgin Historical Society	360 Park St., P.O. Box 161, Elgin, NE 68636-0161
Elkhorn	Elkhorn Historical Society	P.O. Box 187, Elkhorn, NE 68022
Elm Creek	Chevyland U.S.A. Auto and Cycle Museum	7245 Buffalo Creek Road, Elm Creek, NE 68836
Elmwood	Bess Streeter Aldrich House Foundation/ Bess Streeter Aldrich Museum	204 East F St., P.O. Box 167, Elmwood, NE 68349-0172
Enders	Champion Mill State Historical Park	73122 338th Ave., Enders, NE 69027
Fairbury	Fairbury City Museum	1128 Elm St., Fairbury, NE 68352
	Rock Creek Station State Historical Park	57426 710 Road, Fairbury, NE 68352

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City	Name	Address
Fairmont	Fillmore County Historical Society and Museum.....	600 Sixth Ave., P.O. Box 333, Fairmont, NE 68354
Falls City	Richardson County Historical Society and Museum.....	1401 Chase St., P.O. Box 45, Falls City, NE 68355
Fort Calhoun	Fort Atkinson State Historical Park.....	P.O. Box 240, Fort Calhoun, NE 68023-0240
	Washington County Historical Association, Frahm House Museum.....	P.O. Box 25, Fort Calhoun, NE 68023
Franklin	Franklin County Historical Society.....	1309 H Road, Franklin, NE 68939
Fremont	Dodge County Historical Society - May Museum.....	1643 N. Nye Ave., P.O. Box 766, Fremont, NE 68025-0766
	Nebraska Railroad Museum.....	1835 N. Somers Ave., Fremont, NE 68025
	National Railway Historical Society.....	P.O. Box 174, Friend, NE 68359
Friend	Friend Historical Society.....	P.O. Box 333, Fullerton, NE 68638
Fullerton	Nance County Historical Society.....	612 N. Eighth St., Geneva, NE 68361
Geneva	Strang Museum.....	P.O. Box 279, Genoa, NE 68640-0279
Genoa	Genoa Historical Museum.....	P.O. Box 382, Genoa, NE 68640-0382
	Genoa U.S. Indian School Foundation and Museum.....	2930 Old Oregon Trail, Gering, NE 69341
Gering	Farm and Ranch Museum.....	P.O. Box 435, Gering, NE 69341-0435
	North Platte Valley Historical Association and Museum.....	190276 Highway 92, P.O. Box 27, Gering, NE 69341-0027
	Oregon Trail Museum Association - Scots Bluff National Monument.....	411 Lawn Ave., Gibbon, NE 68840
Gibbon	Gibbon Heritage Center - Soldiers Free Homestead Colony.....	117 N. Main St., P.O. Box 237, Gordon, NE 69343-0237
Gordon	Mari Sandoz Room Museum.....	Wanship Park, Fourth and Oak streets, P.O. Box 202, Gordon, NE 69343-0202
	Tri-State Old Time Cowboys' Museum.....	1420 Ave. F, P.O. Box 263, Gothenburg, NE 69138
Gothenburg	Gothenburg Historical Museum.....	1617 Ave. A, Gothenburg, NE 69138
	Sod House Museum.....	P.O. Box 1683, Grand Island, NE 68802
Grand Island	Hall County Historical Society.....	3133 W. Highway 34, Grand Island, NE 68801
	Stuhr Museum of the Prairie Pioneer.....	605 Central Ave. P.O. Box 562, Grant, NE 69140
Grant	Perkins County Historical Society and Museum.....	P.O. Box 6, Greeley, NE 68842
Greeley	Greeley County Historical Society Courthouse Museum.....	440 Broad St., P.O. Box 1, Greenwood, NE 68366
Greenwood	Greenwood Historical Society Depot Museum.....	13102 N. 238 Rd., Greenwood, NE 68366
	WWII Library and Museum.....	200 N. Pennsylvania, P.O. Box 74, Harrisburg, NE 69345
Harrisburg	Banner County Historical Society.....	301 River Road, Harrison, NE 69346-2734
Harrison	Agate Fossil Beds National Monument.....	142 Main St., P.O. Box 312, Harrison, NE 69346-0312
	Siox County Historical Society and Museum.....	304 W. Franklin, P.O. Box 181, Hartington, NE 68739
Hartington	Cedar County Historical Society.....	1330 N. Burlington Ave., P.O. Box 102, Hastings, NE 68901-0102
Hastings	Adams County Historical Society.....	1330 N. Burlington Ave., P.O. Box 1286, Hastings, NE 68901-1286
	Hastings Museum of Natural and Cultural History.....	112 N. Main St., P.O. Box 291, Hay Springs, NE 69347
Hay Springs	Sherridan County Historical Society.....	73293 Highway 25, Hayes Center, NE 69032
Hayes Center	Hayes County Historical Society.....	73293 Highway 25, Hayes Center, NE 69032
Henderson	Hayes County Historical Society.....	P.O. Box 336, Henderson, NE 68371
	National Sod House Society.....	P.O. Box 592, Holdrege, NE 68949
Holdrege	Henderson Heritage and Tourism, Inc. ....	2701 Burlington St., P.O. Box 164, Holdrege, NE 68949-0164
	Phelps County Historical Society Nebraska Prairie Museum.....	124 Mamon St., Howells, NE 68641
Howells	Howells Historical Society.....	

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City	Name	Address
Humboldt	Quad County Historical and Research Society	1160 Lincoln St., Humboldt, NE 68376
Hyannis	Grant County Historical Society Museum	105 E. Harrison, Hyannis, NE 69350
Indianola	Indianola Historical Society	P.O. Box 338, Indianola, NE 69034
Johnson	The Treasure House, Corvett Park	73203 633rd Ave., Johnson, NE 68378
Kearney	Buffalo County Historical Society - Trails and Rails Museum	710 W. 11th St., P.O. Box 523, Kearney, NE 68847-0523
	Fort Kearny State Historical Park	1020 V Road, Kearney, NE 68847
	The Frank House	2010 W. 24th St., Kearney, NE 68847
	The Great Platte River Road Archway Monument	3060 E. 1st St., Kearney, NE 68847
Kearney	Kearney Area Children's Museum	5827 Fourth Ave., Kearney, NE 68847
Kimball	Plains Historical Society	816 E. 3rd St., Kimball, NE 69145
Lamar	Chase County Historical Society	74199 325 Ave., Lamar, NE 69025
Leigh	House of Yesteryear	South Reech St., P.O. Box 344, Leigh, NE 68643-0344
Lexington	Ash Hollow State Historic Park	P.O. Box 70, Lewellen, NE 69147
	Dawson County Historical Society and Museum	805 N. Taft, P.O. Box 369, Lexington, NE 68504-0369
	Hearland Museum of Military Vehicles	606 Hearland Road, Lexington, NE 68850
Lincoln	American Historical Society of Germans from Russia	631 D St., Lincoln, NE 68502-1199
	Office of the Capitol Commission	Nebraska State Capitol, P.O. Box 94696, Lincoln, NE 68509-4696
	Fairview - William Jennings Bryan House	4900 Summer St., Lincoln, NE 68506
	Thomas P. Kennard House	1627 H St., P.O. Box 82554, Lincoln, NE 68501-2554
	Lester F. Larsen Tractor Test and Power Museum	UNI - East Campus, 35th and Fair streets, Lincoln, NE 68503
	Lincoln Historic Preservation Commission	City/County Building, 555 S. 10th St., #210 Lincoln, NE 68508
	Lux Center for the Arts	2601 N. 48th St., Lincoln, NE 68504
	Museum of Nebraska History	131 Centennial Mall North, P.O. Box 82554, Lincoln, NE 68501-2554
	National Museum of Roller Skating	4730 South St., Lincoln, NE 68506-6579
	Nebraska Department of Economic Development, Travel and Tourism Division	131 Centennial Mall South, P.O. Box 98907, Lincoln, NE 68508
	Nebraska Game and Parks Commission	2200 N. 3rd St., P.O. Box 30370, Lincoln, NE 68503
	Nebraska Humanities Council	215 Centennial Mall South, Suite 500, Lincoln, NE 68508
	Nebraska National Guard Historical Society Museum	1300 Military Road, Lincoln, NE 68508
	Nebraska State Historical Society	1500 R St., P.O. Box 82554, Lincoln, NE 68501-2554
	Nebraska State Historical Society Foundation	Kinman-Oldfield Suite 1010, 128 N. 13th St., Lincoln, NE 68508
	Preservation Association of Lincoln	c/o Rogers House, 2145 B St., Lincoln, NE 68502
	United Church of Christ - Department of History and Archives, Nebraska Conference	3151 South St., #R, Lincoln, NE 68508
	Nebraska United Methodist Archives and History Center	Nebraska Wesleyan University, 3333 Landmark Circle, Lincoln, NE 68504
	University Archives	Special Collections Department, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, 29 Love Library, P.O. Box 884100, Lincoln, NE 68588-0410
	University of Nebraska State Museum	307 Morrill Hall, Lincoln, NE 68588-0338
	Frank G. Woods Telephone Historical Museum	2047 M St., P.O. Box 81309, Lincoln, NE 68501
	Frank G. Woods Telephone Pioneers Association	1440 M St., Lincoln, NE 68508

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City	Name	Address
Lincoln (Cont'd.)	Museum of American Speed	599 Oak Creek Drive, PO. Box 81906, Lincoln, NE 68501
Lodgepole	Lodgepole Depot Museum	722 McCall St., Lodgepole, NE 69149
Long Pine	Long Pine Heritage Society - Heritage House Museum	199 W. 3rd St., PO. Box 333, Long Pine, NE 69217
Loup City	Sherman County Historical Society and Museum	433 S. 7th St., PO. Box 362, Loup City, NE 68853
Macy	Omaha Nation Cultural Preservation Committee	PO. Box 428, Macy, NE 68059-0382
Madison	Madison County Historical Society and Museum	210 W. 3rd St., PO. Box 708, Madison, NE 68748-0708
Maxwell	Fort McPherson National Cemetery	12004 S. Spur 56A, Maxwell, NE 69151
McCook	High Plains Historical Society and Museum	421 Norris Ave., McCook, NE 69001
	McCook Army Air Base Historical Society	PO. Box B-29, McCook, NE 69001
	Senator George Norris State Historic Site	706 Norris Ave., McCook, NE 69001-3142
McCool Junction	Iron Horse Station	505 E. O St., P.O. Box 126, McCool Junction, NE 68401-0126
Merriman	Eve Bowring Visitor Center - Bowring Ranch State Historic Park	PO. Box 38, Merriman, NE 69218-0038
Minden	Kearney County Historical Society and Historical Museum	713 S. Minden Ave., Minden, NE 68959
	Harold Warp Pioneer Village Foundation	138 E. Highway 6, Minden, NE 68959
Morrill	Village Museum of Morrill	215 1/2 Adams, Morrill, NE 69358
Mullen	Hooker County Historical Society	PO. Box 312, Mullen, NE 69152-0185
Murdock	Murdock Historical Society and Museum	9014 310th St., Murdock, NE 68407-2206
Naper	Naper Historical Society	PO. Box 72, Naper, NE 68755
Naponee	Naponee Historical Society	PO. Box 128, Naponee, NE 68960-0128
Nebraska City	Arbor Day Farm	2611 Arbor Ave., Nebraska City, NE 68410
	Arbor Lodge State Historical Park	2600 Arbor Ave., PO. Box 15, Nebraska City, NE 68410
	Civil War Veterans Museum	910 First Corso, Nebraska City, NE 68410
	The Nebraska City Museum of Firefighting	1320 Central Ave., PO. Box 376, Nebraska City, NE 68410
	Kregel Windmill Factory Museum	1416 Central Ave., Nebraska City, NE 68410
	Mayhew Cabin and Historical Village Foundation	2012 4th Corso, Nebraska City, NE 68410-2604
	Missouri River Basin	
	Lewis and Clark Interpretive Trail and Visitor Center	100 Valmont Dr., PO. Box 785, Nebraska City, NE 68410
	Nebraska City Historical Society	PO. Box 175, Nebraska City, NE 68410
	Nebraska City Museums Association	917 Wildwood Lane, Suite F, Nebraska City, NE 68410
	River Country Nature Center	116 S. 6th St., PO. Box 435, Nebraska City, NE 68410
	Wildwood Center and Penod House	420 Steinhart Park Road, Nebraska City, NE 68410
Neligh	Antelope County Historical Society and Museum	104 E. 7th St., Neligh, NE 68756
	Neligh Mill State Historic Site	N Street and Wylie Drive, PO. Box 271, Neligh, NE 68756-0271
Niobrara	Niobrara Historical Society Museum	89054 519 Ave., Niobrara, NE 68760
	Ponca Tribe Museum	2548 Park Ave., Niobrara, NE 68760
Norfolk	Elkhorn Valley Historical Society Museum and Research Center	515 Queen City Blvd., Norfolk, NE 68702
North Platte	Buffalo Bill Ranch State Historical Park	2921 Scouts Rest Ranch Road, North Platte, NE 69101
	Cody Park Railroad Museum	1400 N. Jeffers, North Platte, NE 69101
	Lincoln County Historical Society and Museum	2405 N. Buffalo Bill Ave., North Platte, NE 69101

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City	Name	Address
Oakland	Swedish Heritage Center	414 N. Osorn Ave., Oakland, NE 68045
Odell	Old West Trails Center	301 Main St., P.O. Box 169, Odell, NE 68415
Ogallala	Keith County Historical Society - Mansion on the Hill	1004 W. 10th St., P.O. Box 5, Ogallala, NE 69153
	Nebraska National Trails Museum Foundation	Box 268, Ogallala, NE 69153
Omaha	Douglas County Historical Society, Crook House Museum	5730 N. 30th St. #11B, Omaha, NE 68111-1657
	The Durham Museum	801 S. 10th St., Omaha, NE 68108
	El Museo Latino	4701 S. 25th St., Omaha, NE 68107
	Florence Historical Foundation	P.O. Box 12531, Omaha, NE 68112
	Freedom Park Navy Museum	2497 Freedom Park Road, Omaha, NE 68137-1331
	Gerald R. Ford Conservation Center	1326 S. 32nd St., Omaha, NE 68105
	Historic Florence Mill	5215 Jackson St., Omaha, NE 68106-1331
	Landmarks Heritage Preservation Commission	1819 Farman St., Suite 1110, Omaha, NE 68183
	Joslyn Castle Trust, Inc.	3902 Davenport St., Omaha, NE 68131
	Mexican American Historical Society of the Midlands	4913 S. 25th St., Omaha, NE 68107
	Morrison Trail Center at Historic Winter Quarters	3215 State St., Omaha, NE 68112
	Nebraska Jewish Historical Society and Riekes Museum	333 S. 132nd St., Omaha, NE 68154
	Omaha Home For Boys Visitors Center History Museum	4343 N. 52nd St., Omaha, NE 68104-2895
	Servants of Mary Archives	7400 Military Ave., Omaha, NE 68134
	Sokol South Omaha Czechoslovak Museum	2021 U St., Omaha, NE 68107-3666
	Trinity Cathedral Historical Society	113 N. 18th St., Omaha, NE 68102-4969
	University Archives - University Library	University of Nebraska at Omaha, 6001 Dodge St., Omaha, NE 68182
O'Neill	Holt County Historical Society	401 E. Douglas, O'Neill, NE 68763
Orchard	Orchard Historical Society	225 Windom St., P.O. Box 133, Orchard, NE 68764
Ord	Valley County Historical Society and Museum	115 S. 16th St., P.O. Box 101, Ord, NE 68862
Orleans	Orleans Museum	P.O. Box 187, Orleans, NE 68966
Oscola	Polk County Historical Society and Museum	Hawkeye Street, P.O. Box 565, Oscola, NE 68651
Oshkosh	Historical Society of Garden County	P.O. Box 193, Oshkosh, NE 69154
Papillion	Papillion Area Historical Society	242 N. Jefferson St., Papillion, NE 68046
Pawnee City	Harold Lloyd Foundation	P.O. Box 187, Pawnee City, NE 68420-0187
	Pawnee City Historical Society and Museum	East Highway 8, P.O. Box 33, Pawnee City, NE 68420
Pender	Thurston County Heritage Museum	500 Ivan St., P.O. Box 624, Pender, NE 68047-0624
Peru	Peru Historical Foundation and Museum	P.O. Box 243, Peru, NE 68421
Pierce	Pierce Historical Society and The Pierce Museum	P.O. Box 122, Pierce, NE 68767-0122
Plainview	Plainview Historical Society	302 S. Main, P.O. Box 495, Plainview, NE 68769
Plattsmouth	Cass County Historical Society and Museum	646 Main St., Plattsmouth, NE 68048
	Plattsmouth Conservancy	457-1 Main St., Plattsmouth, NE 68048
Ponca	Ponca Historical Society	P.O. Box 403, Ponca, NE 68770
Porter	Porter Historical Museum	7908 Road 32, Potter, NE 69156
Ravenna	Historical Society of Ravenna	210 Grand Ave., P.O. Box 33, Ravenna, NE 68869
Red Cloud	Webster County Historical Museum	721 W. Fourth St., P.O. Box 464, Red Cloud, NE 68970
	Willa Cather State Historic Site	413 N. Webster St., Red Cloud, NE 68970

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City	Name	Address
Royal	Ashfall Fossil Beds State Historical Park	86930 517 Ave., Royal, NE 68773
Schuyler	Schuyler Historical Society	309 East 11th St., Schuyler, NE 68661
Scribner	Musbach Museum of Scribner	P.O. Box 136, Scribner, NE 68057-0136
Seward	Seward County Historical Society and Museum	1500 Main St., Seward, NE 68434
Shelton	Shelton Historical Society	P.O. Box 444, Shelton, NE 68876
Sidney	Cheyenne County Historical Association	P.O. Box 596, Sidney, NE 69162
Springview	Keya-Paha County Historical Society and Museum	305 Courthouse Drive, P.O. Box 334, Springview, NE 68778
St. Paul	Howard County Historical Society	P.O. Box 1, St. Paul, NE 68873
Stanton	Museum of Major League Baseball	619 Howard Ave., St. Paul, NE 68873
Stratton	Historical Society of Stanton County, Inc.	P.O. Box 934, Stanton, NE 68779-0234
Stratton	Little House Museum, Inc.	908 Hartford St., P.O. Box 207, Stratton, NE 69043
Stuart	White Horse Heritage Village Museum	46376 879th Road, Stuart, NE 68780
Superior	Nuckolls County Historical Society and Museum	612 E. Sixth St., Superior, NE 68978
Sturton	Sturton Historical Society	P.O. Box 92, Sturton, NE 68979
Syracuse	Onoc County Museum Society	566 Poplar, P.O. Box 58, Syracuse, NE 68446
Table Rock	Table Rock Historical Society and Museums	P.O. Box 194, Table Rock, NE 68447
Tarnov	St. Michael's Historical Society	309 Third Street, Suite 1, Tarnov, NE 68642
Taylor	Loup County Historical Society and Museum	P.O. Box 137, Taylor, NE 68879
Tecumseh	Johnson County Museum	231 Lincoln St., Tecumseh, NE 68450
Tekamah	Burt County Museum	319 N. 13th St., P.O. Box 125, Tekamah, NE 68061-0125
Theftord	Thomas County Historical Society and Museum	P.O. Box 224, Theftord, NE 69166
Tobias	Saline County Historical Society and Museum	561 County Road S, Tobias, NE 68453
Trenton	Hitchcock County Historical Society and Museum	313 E. First St., P.O. Box 511, Trenton, NE 69044-0511
Tryon	McPherson County Historical Society	36210 Muldecker Road, Tryon, NE 69167
Valentine	Cherry County Historical Society and Museum	P.O. Box 284, Valentine, NE 69201
Valley	Valley Community Historical Museum	218 W. Alexander, Valley, NE 68064
Verdigris	Verdigris Heritage Museum Complex	87919 514th Ave., Verdigris, NE 68783
Wahoo	Saunders County Historical Society and Museum	240 N. Walnut, Wahoo, NE 68066
Wakefield	Wakefield Heritage Organization	206 W. Third, Wakefield, NE 68784
Wakefield	Graves Library Museum, Train Depot Museum	101 E. First St., P.O. Box 216, Wakefield, NE 68784
Walhall	Susan LaPlesche Peacor Center	505 Matthewson St., P.O. Box 395, Walhall, NE 68067-0395
Wayne	Wayne County Historical Society and Museum	702 Lincoln St., P.O. Box 83, Wayne, NE 68787
Weeping Water	Weeping Water Historical Society and Heritage House Museum Complex	215 W. Eldora St., P.O. Box 43, Weeping Water, NE 68463
Wellfleet	Dancing Leaf Earth Lodge	6100 E. Opal Springs Road, Wellfleet, NE 69170
West Point	Cuming County Historical Society and Museum	130 North River, West Point, NE 68788
Wilber	Czech Heritage Room, Dvoracek Memorial Library	419 W. Third St., P.O. Box 803, Wilber, NE 68465
Wilber	Wilber Czech Museum	102 W. Third St., P.O. Box 7, Wilber, NE 68465-0253
Winnebago	Angel DeCora Museum and Research Center	601 East College Drive, P.O. Box 687, Winnebago, NE 68071
Winnetoon	Winnetoon Historical Society	P.O. Box 94, Winnetoon, NE 68789

## Nebraska Historical Organizations, 2014 (Cont'd.)

City	Name	Address
Wisner	Wisner Heritage Museum Society	920 Avenue E, P.O. Box 842, Wisner, NE 68791
Wymore	Great Plains Welsh Heritage Center	307 S. Seventh St., P.O. Box 253, Wymore, NE 68466
York	Anna Bernis Palmer Museum	211 E. Seventh St., York, NE 68467
	York County Historical Association	2329 Nebraska Ave., P.O. Box 81, York, NE 68467-0081
	Wessels Living History Farm	5520 S. Lincoln Ave., York, NE 68467
Yutan	Yutan Historical Society	744 County Road N, Yutan, NE 68073

## Commission on Indian Affairs

**Office Address:** State Capitol, Sixth Floor, P.O. Box 94981, Lincoln, NE 68509-4981, phone (402) 471-3475, fax (402) 471-3392, website — [www.indianaffairs.state.ne.us](http://www.indianaffairs.state.ne.us)

**Executive Director:** Judi M. gaiashkibos

**Statutory Reference:** 81-2501

The Commission on Indian Affairs, established in 1971, monitors legislation and coordinates activities among tribes, organizations and state and federal agencies. Its members serve to promote Indian rights and address problems common to Nebraska Indians.

The commission consists of 14 American Indians living in Nebraska appointed by the governor to four-year terms. Members come from the following reservations, cities or districts: two from the Omaha Tribal reservation; two from the Winnebago Tribal reservation; two from the Santee Sioux Tribal reservation; two from the Ponca Tribe; one from Lincoln; two from Omaha; one from the district that includes Box Butte, Dawes, Sheridan and Sioux counties; one from the district that includes Banner, Cheyenne, Deuel, Garden, Kimball, Morrill and Scotts Bluff counties; and an at-large member.

The governor selects each appointee from nominees submitted by the tribe or area to be represented. The commission also may have nonvoting, ex officio members, appointed by the commission, who do not have to be Indian.

The commission meets four times a year. Members are paid \$50 a day when conducting commission business and are reimbursed for expenses.

The commission hires and sets the pay of an executive director. The director is a Nebraska Indian tribal member or Nebraska resident of Indian descent.

<b>Member</b>	<b>Represents</b>
Jennifer Bear Eagle, Omaha .....	City of Omaha
Col. Thomas Brewer, Murdock.....	At Large
Robert Campbell, Niobrara .....	Santee Sioux Tribe
James Louis LaRose, Winnebago .....	Winnebago Tribe
Kenneth Mallory, Winnebago .....	Winnebago Tribe
Andrea Miller, Scottsbluff .....	Southern Panhandle
Vernon Miller, Macy .....	Omaha Tribe
Alex Taylor, Battle Creek .....	Ponca Tribe
Darren Wolfe, Macy.....	Omaha Tribe
Larry Wright, Jr., Lincoln.....	City of Lincoln
Vacant .....	Northern Panhandle
Vacant .....	City of Omaha
Vacant .....	Ponca Tribe
Vacant .....	Santee Sioux Tribe

### Nebraska Tribal Councils<sup>8</sup>

#### *Omaha Tribe of Nebraska*

**Tribal Office:** P.O. Box 368, Macy, NE 68039, phone (402) 837-5391, fax (402) 837-5308

<b>Member</b>	<b>Position</b>
Jeffery Miller .....	Secretary
Vernon Miller .....	Chairman
Rodney Morris .....	Member
Gwen Porter .....	Member
Adriana Saunsoci .....	Vice Chairman
Jessica Webster-Valentino .....	Treasurer
Clifford Wolfe, Jr. ....	Member

#### *Ponca Tribe of Nebraska*

**Tribal Headquarters:** P.O. Box 288, Niobrara, NE 68760, phone (402) 857-3391, fax (402) 857-3736

<b>Member</b>	<b>Position</b>
Judy Allen .....	Member
Candace Bossard .....	Secretary
Crystal Howell .....	Member
Patrick Lamoureux .....	Vice Chairman
James LaPointe .....	Treasurer
Stephanie Slobotski .....	Member
Alex Taylor .....	Member
Phillip Wendzillo .....	Member
Larry Wright, Jr. ....	Chairman

#### *Santee Sioux Tribe of Nebraska*

**Tribal Office:** 425 Frazier Ave. N., Suite 2, Niobrara, NE 68760, phone (402) 857-2302, fax (402) 857-2307

<b>Member</b>	<b>Position</b>
Darlene Bluebird .....	Member
Marion Brandt .....	Member
Larry "Ike" Denney .....	Member
David Henry .....	Vice Chairman
Don LaPointe, Jr. ....	Member
Stuart Redwing .....	Secretary
Roger Trudell .....	Chairman
Frank Whipple .....	Treasurer

<sup>8</sup> Source: Nebraska Commission on Indian Affairs. For more information on tribal government in Nebraska, see Pages 57 and 147-148.

*Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska*

**Tribal Office:** P.O. Box 687, Winnebago, NE 68071, phone (402) 878-2272, fax (402) 878-2963

<b>Member</b>	<b>Position</b>
Charles Aldrich .....	Member
John Blackhawk .....	Chairman
Morgan Earth .....	Member
Louis C. Houghton, Jr. ....	Secretary
Darla LaPointe.....	Member
Travis Mallory .....	Member
Larry Payer .....	Member
Thomas Snowball, Sr.....	Treasurer
Darwin Snyder.....	Vice Chairman

## Commission of Industrial Relations

**Office Address:** 301 Centennial Mall South, Fifth Floor, P.O. Box 94864, Lincoln, NE 68509-4864, phone (402) 471-2934, fax (402) 471-6597, email address — [industrial.relations@nebraska.gov](mailto:industrial.relations@nebraska.gov), website — [www.ncir.ne.gov/](http://www.ncir.ne.gov/)

**Clerk/Administrator:** Annette Hord

**Statutory Reference:** Nebraska Constitution, Article XV, Section 9; and 48-803

The Court of Industrial Relations, created by the 1947 Legislature under authority provided in the Nebraska Constitution, has jurisdiction over public utility and state and local government employee labor disputes. The court's powers were expanded in 1969 to give it jurisdiction over all public employees, and the number of judges was increased from three to five.

The 1979 Legislature changed the name from “court” to “commission.” The commission has powers of special impasse and representation and the power to resolve prohibitive practices. In 2007, the Legislature passed LB472, which changed the member's title from “judge” to “commissioner.”

Nebraska public employees, except the Nebraska National Guard or state militia, can be represented by employee organizations of their own choice and can negotiate collectively with their employers to determine the terms and conditions of employment. However, the employees cannot strike. When any industrial dispute exists, an employer, employee or labor organization, or the attorney general (on his or her own or by order of the governor) may file a petition with the commission invoking its jurisdiction. The commission:

- determines if a prohibited practice has occurred
- determines who represents employees during collective bargaining
- resolves disputes by establishing pay rates and employment conditions comparable to the standards set for similar work
- orders good-faith bargaining, mediation or fact finding, and appoints people to carry this out. The commission's final orders may be appealed to the Nebraska Court of Appeals.

The commission has five members appointed by the governor to six-year terms

with legislative approval. Commissioners must represent the public and be appointed based on their knowledge and experience in legal, financial, labor and industrial matters. Commission members are paid \$475 a day when conducting commission business. On July 1 of every odd-numbered year, commissioners elect a presiding commissioner for a two-year term. The presiding commissioner appoints the clerk of the commission.

<b>Member</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Joel E. Carlson, Norfolk .....	Jan. 23, 2018
Loren L. Lindahl, Wahoo (Presiding Commissioner).....	June 9, 2015
David J. Partsch, Nebraska City .....	June 9, 2019
Sarah S. Pillen, Columbus .....	Jan. 23, 2018
J.L. Spray, Lincoln.....	June 9, 2017

## Nebraska Investment Council

**Office Address:** 1526 K St., Suite 420, Lincoln, NE 68508, phone (402) 471-2043, fax (402) 471-2498, website — [www.nic.ne.gov](http://www.nic.ne.gov)

**State Investment Officer:** Michael Walden-Newman

**Statutory Reference:** 72-1237

The Nebraska Investment Council was established under 1967 and 1969 laws as a central state investment agency. The council provides investment management services for the state. Most provisions governing its activities are contained in the Nebraska State Funds Investment Act and the Nebraska Capital Expansion Act (statutory reference: 71-1237 through 72-1269).

The agency is governed by a seven-member council. Five voting members are appointed by the governor and confirmed by the Legislature. They serve five-year terms, with one expiring each year. The state treasurer and the executive director of the Public Employees Retirement Systems<sup>9</sup> serve as nonvoting members.

The council establishes necessary and proper policies for the investment of the funds for which it is responsible. Such policies include appropriate investment strategy decisions, selection of external managers and allocation of funds among managers. The council appoints a state investment officer, subject to the approval of the governor and the Legislature. The state investment officer, with the assistance of the agency staff, directs the investment of these funds in accordance with state statutes and the policies of the council.

Funds managed include the state’s general and cash funds; retirement plans for the State Patrol, judges, and teachers (with the exception of Omaha); and trust funds such as the Permanent School Fund, the Veterans’ Aid Fund and the Health Care Trust Fund. The council also is responsible for investing the state employees’ and county employees’ retirement systems funds, the deferred compensation plan assets and funds of the Nebraska Educational Savings Plan Trust.

In 2013, assets under the responsibility of the council totaled over \$20 billion, with total net contributions of \$372 million and total net investment earnings of over \$2.45 billion during the year.

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<sup>9</sup> For more information on the Public Employees Retirement Systems, see Pages 697-700.

<b>Member</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
John H. Conley, Omaha .....	Dec. 31, 2017
Richard DeFusco, Lincoln.....	Dec. 31, 2016
John M. Dinkel, Norfolk.....	Dec. 31, 2019
John Maginn, Omaha .....	Dec. 31, 2015
Gail Werner-Robertson, Omaha (Chairperson).....	Dec. 31, 2018
Phyllis Chambers, Lincoln (Public Employees Retirement Systems).....	Ex Officio
Don Stenberg, Lincoln (State Treasurer).....	Ex Officio

## State Board of Examiners for Land Surveyors

**Office Address:** 555 N. Cotner Blvd., Lower Level, Lincoln, NE 68505, phone (402) 471-2566, website — [www.nbels.nebraska.gov](http://www.nbels.nebraska.gov)

**Secretary:** Steven C. Cobb

**Statutory Reference:** 81-8,110

The 1957 Legislature created the State Board of Examiners for Land Surveyors. The law provided for the director-state engineer, state surveyor and dean of the University of Nebraska's College of Engineering to serve as an ex officio board. The state surveyor was the board's ex officio secretary.

The 1971 Legislature established the independent State Board of Examiners for Land Surveyors. The board tests and interviews people applying to be registered land surveyors. The board also can revoke registration to conform with the law. The board is financed through registration fees, which are handled by the board's secretary.

The board has five members who are appointed by the governor to five-year terms. Four members must be registered land surveyors who have lived in Nebraska for at least one year and have been practicing surveyors for 10 years. At least five years must have been spent in charge of surveying work. One board member, who is at least 21 years old and a Nebraska resident for at least one year, represents the public. The state surveyor serves as ex officio secretary of the board and any committees board members appoint.

The board meets four or five times each year. Members are not paid but are reimbursed for expenses.

<b>Member</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Jerry G. Hain, Wahoo .....	Land Surveyor .....	Feb. 28, 2019
Richard L. Hansen, Blair.....	Land Surveyor .....	Feb. 28, 2018
James W. Hawks, North Platte .....	Land Surveyor .....	Feb. 28, 2015
Mary Pro, Lincoln .....	Public .....	Feb. 28, 2019
Dennis L. Whitfield, Bellevue .....	Land Surveyor .....	Feb. 28, 2017
Steven C. Cobb, Lincoln .....	State Surveyor.....	Ex Officio Secretary

## State Board of Landscape Architects

**Office Address:** 215 Centennial Mall South, Ste. 400, P.O. Box 95165, Lincoln, NE 68508-5165, phone (402) 471-2407, fax (402) 471-0787, email address — [nsbla.board@nebraska.gov](mailto:nsbla.board@nebraska.gov), website — [www.nsbla.ne.gov](http://www.nsbla.ne.gov)

**Statutory Reference:** 81-8,186

The 1967 Legislature passed the Professional Landscape Architects Act, which

created the State Board of Landscape Architects. The act charges the board with protecting the life, health and property of Nebraska citizens by ensuring the licensure of landscape architects in the state. The board accomplishes this through the licensure of individuals who have met the education, examination and experience requirements of the act and by providing compliance oversight and regulatory services.

The board has six members appointed by the governor to five-year terms. Five members must be professional landscape architects. The other member must be at least 21 years old and represents the public. All members must be Nebraska residents for at least one year immediately preceding their appointments.

The board meets at least once a year. Members are not paid but are reimbursed for expenses.

Member	Position	Term Expires
Eileen E. Bergt, Lincoln.....	Professional Landscape Architect.....	Sept. 23, 2018
Dennis E. Bryers, Omaha.....	Professional Landscape Architect.....	Sept. 23, 2017
David J. Ciaccio, Omaha.....	Professional Landscape Architect.....	Sept. 23, 2019
Todd M. Maiellaro, Omaha.....	Professional Landscape Architect.....	Sept. 23, 2015
Gayle M. Malmquist, LaVista.....	Public.....	Sept. 23, 2019
Gary W. Wells, Lincoln.....	Professional Landscape Architect.....	Sept. 23, 2016

## Commission on Latino-Americans

**Office Address:** State Capitol, Sixth Floor, P.O. Box 94965, Lincoln, NE 68509-4965, toll-free phone (877) 220-1250, phone (402) 471-2791, website — [www.latinoac.nebraska.gov](http://www.latinoac.nebraska.gov)

**Executive Director:** Lazaro A. Spindola

**Statutory Reference:** 81-8,262

**Publications:** quarterly newsletter

The Commission on Latino-Americans was created in 1972, and was originally known as the Commission on Mexican-Americans. The 2010 Legislature changed the name with passage of LB139. The commission serves Nebraska's Latino Americans in education, employment, health, housing and welfare. The commission works with public and private agencies and state government to serve the needs of Nebraska's Latino Americans.

The commission has nine members, appointed by the governor to three-year terms. The governor or the governor's designee serves as an ex officio member. The commission appoints an executive director.

The commission meets quarterly. Members are paid \$35 a day while conducting commission business and are reimbursed for expenses.

Member	Term Expires
Norma de la O, South Sioux City.....	May 15, 2017
Chabella Guzman, Scottsbluff.....	May 16, 2015
Aida Olivas, Hastings.....	May 15, 2017
Ramon Otero, Lexington.....	May 13, 2013
Gisella Munoz Perez, Bellevue.....	May 16, 2015
Leticia Rodriguez, Madison.....	May 16, 2015
Adrian Sanchez, Lincoln.....	May 15, 2017

Maria A. Valentin, Papillion.....	May 15, 2016
Rosalba Valerio, Schuyler.....	May 16, 2015
Jose A. Santos, LaVista (Governor's Representative).....	Ex Officio

## Nebraska Library Commission<sup>10</sup>

**Office Address:** The Atrium, 1200 N St., Lincoln, NE 68508-2023, phone (402) 471-2045, toll-free phone (800) 307-2665, fax (402) 471-2083, email address — nlc.ask@nebraska.gov, website — www.nlc.nebraska.gov

**Director:** Rod Wagner

**Statutory Reference:** 51-401

Established in 1901, the Nebraska Library Commission promotes, develops and coordinates library and information programs and services statewide. As the state library agency, the commission serves as an advocate for the library and information service needs of Nebraskans. The commission:

- makes rules and regulations to govern itself
- appoints a director authorized to hire staff as needed
- receives and disburses federal funds
- accepts and administers gifts
- makes a biennial report to the governor
- provides leadership, technical help and financial support for improvement of library and information services through the state's libraries
- develops, coordinates and promotes specialized statewide library and information services
- provides information and library services to state government

The commission's six members are appointed by the governor to three-year terms, with members serving no more than two consecutive terms. Commissioners appoint the agency director. Members generally are appointed from each of the state's six library system areas. Commissioners, who meet every other month, are not paid but are reimbursed for expenses.

Commissioner	Term Expires
Steve Batty, McCook.....	June 2015
Diane Boyd, South Sioux City.....	June 2015
Sherry R. Crow, Kearney.....	June 2016
Molly Fisher, Lincoln.....	June 2015
Patricia Gross, Bayard.....	June 2016
Michael LaCroix, Omaha.....	June 2016

### *Information and Resource Sharing Services*

Nebraska libraries were among the nation's first to develop workable methods for resource sharing. The commission continues this legacy by:

- providing reference, research, consultation and interlibrary loan services to the staff of public, school and special libraries and state government agencies
- providing access to the VHS and DVD collection of the Nebraska Humanities

<sup>10</sup> For additional information on Nebraska libraries, see Pages 52 and 919-926.

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- providing assistance and resources in public administration, library operations, librarianship and collection management for staff of all types of libraries and state agencies
- providing government information services through the Nebraska Publications Clearinghouse Service (statutory reference: 51-412). Services include direct loan of over 165,000 Nebraska documents and more than 47,000 federal government publications, convenient public access to electronic state government publications and reference services in person or via email, telephone and internet chat. The Library Commission participates in the Federal Depository Library Program and operates a Nebraska depository library program. Key state publications are accessible electronically or on microfiche via the Nebraska State Publications website and through depository libraries.
- providing NebraskAccess: free 24/7 access to websites selected by librarians, full-text government publications and Nebraska historical resources. Nebraska residents also are provided with free online access to thousands of full-text magazine, journal and newspaper articles, biographical and business information, genealogical resources and more.
- providing access to a worldwide database of over two billion books, CDs, DVDs and other materials including more than eight million holdings in 90 public, academic, school and special libraries in Nebraska. These materials may be requested by libraries through Online Computer Library Center Inc. (OCLC) in Dublin, Ohio, either directly or through the Nebraska Library Commission Reference/Information Services.
- providing Nebraska Memories, a cooperative project to digitize Nebraska related historical and cultural heritage materials and make them available to researchers of all ages via the Internet.

### *Library Development Services*

Library Development Services provide coordination and support services to Nebraska libraries and media centers and work with local libraries, institutions, boards and citizen groups to develop improved library services and facilities. For Nebraska library employees or library trustees, Library Development provides:

- training and continuing education programs
- consultation and information regarding library services and issues
- financial grants and aid
- support of regional library systems, providing consulting and continuing education, resource sharing services and library technology support
- statistical data regarding Nebraska libraries and library services
- accreditation of public and institutional libraries and certification of librarians and boards of trustees
- a statewide summer reading program and other support for children and young adult services
- library improvement through community-based library planning and evaluation

### *Talking Book and Braille Service*

The Talking Book and Braille Service offers statewide library service to Nebraskans who experience visual or other physical conditions that limit their use of regular

print materials. To provide the same access to informational and recreational reading enjoyed by other Nebraskans, the Talking Book and Braille Service offers books and magazines on digital cartridge or embossed in Braille. The commission circulates talking books and special equipment to play talking books provided by the Library of Congress, National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped. This includes approximately 16,000 fiction and nonfiction titles in 81,000 volumes. Readers also can download audio and Braille books and magazines directly from a website hosted by the Library of Congress.

Most Nebraskans receive and return talking books and Braille materials (postage-free) through the U.S. Postal Service. Persons who live in or travel to Lincoln also borrow and return materials in person. Other services offered on site include sample magazines in recorded and Braille formats and children's books in twin vision — print, illustrations and Braille in each single volume. Descriptive videos also are circulated. These videos provide narrated descriptions of the key visual elements (actions, settings, characters and costumes) without interfering with the soundtrack or dialogue of a program or movie.

The Adaptive Technology Center offers a public access computer featuring Braille translation and embossing, a sticky-key keyboard option and adaptive keyboards and adaptive mouse. The Library records 24 magazines and newsletters supplementing the national talking magazine program, records Nebraska related books and produces audio materials for state and community service agencies.

## Nebraska Liquor Control Commission

**Office Address:** 301 Centennial Mall South, Fifth Floor, P.O. Box 95046, Lincoln, NE 68509-5046, phone (402) 471-2571, fax (402) 471-2814, website — [www.lcc.ne.gov/](http://www.lcc.ne.gov/)

**Executive Director:** Hobert B. Rupe

**Statutory Reference:** 53-105

**Publications:** law book, including rules and regulations; brochures

Created by the 1935 Legislature, the Nebraska Liquor Control Commission:

- receives applications for and issues, suspends, cancels and revokes licenses of manufacturers, distributors, nonbeverage users, retailers, railroads, airlines and boats
- sets standards through rules and regulations for enforcing the Nebraska Liquor Control Act to promote public health and welfare
- asks other administrative departments from all levels of government in the state, as well as law enforcement officials throughout the state, for information and assistance as necessary
- recommends rules and regulations to local government for the distribution or sale of alcoholic liquors in the state
- inspects places where liquors are manufactured, distributed or sold
- conducts audits of licensees
- conducts hearings to carry out its duties
- investigates the administration of alcoholic liquor laws in Nebraska and other states, and recommends Nebraska Liquor Control Act amendments to the governor and the Legislature

- receives and accounts for all Nebraska Liquor Control Act license fees and liquor excise taxes that are turned over to the state treasurer

- provides law books and other printed material to licensees

The commission has three members appointed by the governor to six-year terms with legislative approval. No more than two members can be in the same political party. Members come from the state’s congressional districts. The commission, with the approval of the governor, appoints an executive director who keeps records of commission business. Commission employees are hired with the governor’s approval. The commission meets at least once a month. Each member is paid \$12,500 a year and is reimbursed for expenses.

Member	Represents	Term Expires
Bruce D. Bailey, Lincoln (R) <sup>11</sup> .....	District 1 .....	May 24, 2017
Robert Batt, Omaha (I) .....	District 2 .....	May 24, 2019
Janice Wiebusch, Kearney (R) .....	District 3 .....	May 24, 2015

## Nebraska Motor Vehicle Industry Licensing Board

**Office Address:** 301 Centennial Mall South, Mall Level, P.O. Box 94697, Lincoln, NE 68509-4697, phone (402) 471-2148, fax (402) 471-4563, website — mvdealerbd.ne.gov

**Executive Director:** William S. Jackson

**Statutory Reference:** 60-1402

The Nebraska Motor Vehicle Industry Licensing Board was created in 1957 and amended over the years to enforce motor vehicle, motorcycle, mobile home and travel trailer industry licensee standards, and to protect the public from dishonest licensee practices. The board issues licenses, establishes license fees for each class, prescribes license forms and investigates licensees’ actions upon a sworn written complaint. The board also regulates the issuance and revocation of licenses. The board has the power to revoke or suspend a license or levy an administrative fine not to exceed \$5,000 per violation.

The board has nine governor-appointed members, who serve three-year terms, and the director of motor vehicles is the board’s chairperson. Appointed members must get legislative approval. No member may serve more than two consecutive terms. Board members include:

- a factory representative
- a member representing the public
- a licensed new motor vehicle dealer from each congressional district
- two licensed used motor vehicle dealers from different congressional districts
- one trailer dealer or combination motor vehicle or trailer dealer
- a licensed motorcycle dealer

Members are paid \$50 a day when conducting board business and are reimbursed for expenses.

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<sup>11</sup> Political party affiliation: D=Democrat; R=Republican; I=Independent.

Member	Position	Term Expires
William Ashburn, Lincoln .....	Public Representative.....	May 18, 2016
Dean Cerny, Columbus .....	Used Car Dealer, District 3.....	May 18, 2017
Blake Dillon, Omaha .....	Motorcycle Dealer .....	May 18, 2016
Paul Gerber, Omaha .....	Used Car Dealer, District 2.....	May 18, 2015
Donald F. Hansen, Omaha .....	Trailer Dealer .....	May 18, 2017
Rick Pearson, Hartington.....	New Car Dealer, District 3 .....	May 18, 2015
Angela Quinn, Omaha .....	New Car Dealer, District 2 .....	May 18, 2017
William Reeg, Wayne .....	New Car Dealer, District 1 .....	May 18, 2016
Jeffrey Scherer, Snyder.....	Manufacturer Representative.....	May 18, 2015
Rhonda Lahm, Lincoln (Chairperson).....	Director of Motor Vehicles.....	Nonexpiring

## Nebraska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission

**Office Address:** 922 Illinois St., P.O. Box 399, Sidney, NE 69162-0399, phone (308) 254-6919, fax (308) 254-6922, website — [www.nogcc.ne.gov](http://www.nogcc.ne.gov)

**Director:** William H. Sy Dow

**Statutory Reference:** 57-904

The Nebraska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission was created in 1959 to curb wasteful practices in oil and gas production. The commission:

- encourages and promotes the development, production and use of oil and gas in the state to prevent waste
- provides for operation and development of oil and gas properties to permit recovery of the most oil and gas possible while protecting owners' rights
- encourages and authorizes cycling, recycling, pressure maintenance and secondary recovery operations to obtain maximum oil and gas economic recovery in the state
- conducts hearings to devise and adopt programs aimed at accomplishing the duties listed above

The commission's operation cost is paid by an oil and gas production levy and various fees.

The commission has three members appointed by the governor to four-year terms with legislative approval. At least one member must have oil and gas production experience and must have lived in Nebraska for at least a year. The other members must have lived in Nebraska for at least three years. The state geological survey director serves as the commission's technical adviser.

The commission may meet monthly. Members are paid \$50 per day when conducting commission business and are reimbursed for expenses.

The commission hires a director and fixes his or her salary. The director administers and enforces the Oil and Gas Conservation Law of 1959 and all rules, regulations and orders promulgated by the commission. The director must be a qualified petroleum engineer with at least three years of actual field experience in the drilling and operation of oil and gas wells. The director acts as the commission's secretary and keeps its minutes and records. The director serves an indefinite term at the commission's pleasure.

Member	Term Expires
James R. Gohl, Culbertson.....	Sept. 28, 2015
Robert P. Goodwin, Sidney .....	Sept. 28, 2017
Thomas D. Oliver, Bridgeport.....	Sept. 28, 2017

### *Oil and Gas Development in Nebraska*

Oil was discovered in Richardson County in 1939; in the Denver-Julesburg Basin in Cheyenne County in 1949; and on the Cambridge Arch of Red Willow County in 1956. Eighteen of Nebraska's 93 counties produce oil or gas. Nebraska's crude oil is primarily transported to market by trucks. Natural gas is produced in the Panhandle and southwestern Nebraska, with Cheyenne County as the leading producer.

A total of 19,980 tests had been drilled in Nebraska by December 31, 2013, with 1,288 oil wells and 111 gas wells operating. A total of 543 wells are shut in and an additional 130 have been approved for plugging and abandonment.

Since the price collapse in late 2008, exploration for oil has greatly increased, especially in southwest Nebraska. As a result of industry success, oil production has significantly increased. More than 37 percent of the oil is produced through secondary recovery, which involves injecting water into reservoirs using 411 injection wells in 103 oil fields.

Severance taxes are levied on the value of resources severed at the rate of 3 percent of the value of oil and natural gas, except for oil from wells that produce 10 or less barrels of crude oil per day. These wells are subject to a 2 percent severance tax. Severance taxes from production go to the Permanent School Fund. A conservation tax, currently 2 mills (0.2 cents), is levied on sales values and is used to fund the commission. The maximum mill levy is 15 mills per dollar.

## Annual Oil Production in Nebraska, 1954-2013\*

Year	Barrels	Year	Barrels
1954.....	8,142,513	1984.....	6,469,723
1955.....	12,201,022	1985.....	6,942,502
1956.....	16,560,987	1986.....	7,097,633
1957.....	19,627,424	1987.....	6,090,931
1958.....	20,366,954	1988.....	5,978,429
1959.....	23,021,366	1989.....	6,231,544
1960.....	23,786,789	1990.....	5,889,722
1961.....	24,339,769	1991.....	5,832,115
1962.....	24,893,777	1992.....	5,474,188
1963.....	21,834,633	1993.....	4,867,379
1964.....	19,113,662	1994.....	4,217,322
1965.....	17,213,786	1995.....	3,793,883
1966.....	13,850,367	1996.....	3,543,110
1967.....	13,372,591	1997.....	3,336,834
1968.....	13,183,023	1998.....	3,173,939
1969.....	12,105,728	1999.....	2,661,235
1970.....	11,451,062	2000.....	2,954,775
1971.....	10,061,690	2001.....	2,921,771
1972.....	8,705,122	2002.....	2,778,858
1973.....	7,240,309	2003.....	2,754,775
1974.....	6,610,595	2004.....	2,507,218
1975.....	6,119,671	2005.....	2,413,452
1976.....	6,181,500	2006.....	2,312,955
1977.....	5,968,452	2007.....	2,331,903
1978.....	5,862,277	2008.....	2,393,505
1979.....	6,068,019	2009.....	2,238,846
1980.....	6,239,652	2010.....	2,207,440
1981.....	6,671,313	2011.....	2,503,888
1982.....	6,872,204	2012.....	2,513,396
1983.....	6,386,417	2013.....	2,778,396

## Annual Natural Gas Production in Nebraska, 1954-2013<sup>1</sup>

Year	Thousand Cubic Feet	Year	Thousand Cubic Feet
1954.....	6,328,683	1984.....	2,300,268
1955.....	10,264,632	1985.....	1,944,569
1956.....	14,543,124	1986.....	1,403,485
1957.....	15,041,526	1987.....	1,260,540
1958.....	17,506,041	1988.....	910,468
1959.....	18,243,908	1989.....	878,517
1960.....	18,265,891	1990.....	793,142
1961.....	16,385,851	1991.....	783,503
1962.....	14,644,383	1992.....	485,736
1963.....	12,909,175	1993.....	1,390,830
1964.....	9,303,744	1994.....	2,093,150
1965.....	11,736,024	1995.....	1,556,850
1966.....	11,097,598	1996.....	1,144,018
1967.....	9,884,224	1997.....	1,327,581
1968.....	9,146,108	1998.....	1,220,126
1969.....	6,989,419	1999.....	1,040,398
1970.....	6,184,845	2000.....	869,023
1971.....	4,955,127	2001.....	887,289
1972.....	4,646,995	2002.....	904,439
1973.....	4,579,029	2003.....	1,182,582
1974.....	4,583,565	2004.....	1,244,633
1975.....	3,884,635	2005.....	972,875
1976.....	5,200,394 <sup>2</sup>	2006.....	1,032,700
1977.....	2,792,880	2007.....	1,397,421
1978.....	2,882,045	2008.....	2,829,574
1979.....	3,224,877	2009.....	2,716,998
1980.....	2,501,276	2010.....	2,095,542
1981.....	2,712,781	2011.....	1,859,080
1982.....	2,279,799	2012.....	1,220,867
1983.....	2,091,328	2013.....	868,248

\*Source: Nebraska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission. Annual oil production statistics from 1939-1953 are listed in the *2000-01 Nebraska Blue Book*.

<sup>1</sup>Total includes 1,957,575 MCF transferred to Big Springs Gas Shortage Unit for cushion gas.

### Board of Parole

**Office Address:** Correctional Services Building, Folsom and West Prospector Place, Building 1, P.O. Box 94754, Lincoln, NE 68509-4754, phone (402) 471-2156, fax (402) 471-2453, website — www.parole.state.ne.us

**Chairperson:** Rosalyn Cotton

**Statutory References:** Nebraska Constitution, Article IV, Section 13; and 83-188

The Board of Parole was created as an independent agency by constitutional amendment in 1968.

The board reviews the status of committed offenders; determines when committed offenders are released on parole; fixes parole conditions, and may revoke parole and issue warrants to arrest parole violators; visits and inspects state and local prisons or jails; and recommends parole legislation to the governor.

The board meets daily to hear and review parole cases. If an offender is granted parole, he or she is referred to the Parole Administration Office within the Department of Correctional Services to find an approved home and job. A parole administrator, approved by the Board of Parole, manages the Parole Administration Office.

If requested, the board advises the Board of Pardons<sup>12</sup> — composed of the governor, attorney general and secretary of state — on the merits of any application for remission, respite, reprieve, pardon or commutation. This advice is not binding.

The board has five, full-time members appointed by the governor to six-year terms with legislative approval. By law, board members must be of good character and just temperament. At least one board member must be a minority, and one must have a professional background in corrections. The governor designates one board member as chairperson.

<b>Member</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Teresa L. Bittinger, Benedict .....	Sept. 9, 2019
Rosalyn Cotton, Omaha (Chairperson) .....	Sept. 9, 2020
Virgil J. Patlan, Sr., Omaha.....	Sept. 9, 2015
Randall L. Rehmeier, Nebraska City .....	Sept. 9, 2017
Rex Richard, Lincoln (Vice Chairperson) .....	Sept. 9, 2018

### Board of Parole Statistics, July 1, 2013, to June 30, 2014<sup>13</sup>

(Nebraska State Penitentiary, Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility, Nebraska Correctional Center for Women, Lincoln Correctional Center, Lincoln Community Corrections Center, Omaha Correctional Center, Omaha Community Corrections Center, Tecumseh State Correctional Institution, Diagnostic and Evaluation Center, Work Ethic Camp)

Discharges from Parole.....	1,275
Offenders Reviewed .....	4,409
Parole Hearings Held.....	2,251
Paroles Granted.....	1,638
Paroles Violated and Revoked.....	536

<sup>12</sup>For more information about the Board of Pardons, see Page 733.

<sup>13</sup>Source: Nebraska Board of Parole.

## Nebraska Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education

**Office Address:** The Apothecary, 140 N. 8th St., Suite 300, P.O. Box 95005, Lincoln, NE 68509-5005, phone (402) 471-2847, email address — [carna.pfeil@nebraska.gov](mailto:carna.pfeil@nebraska.gov), website — [www.ccpe.state.ne.us](http://www.ccpe.state.ne.us)

**Interim Executive Director:** Dr. Carna Pfeil

**Statutory Reference:** Nebraska Constitution, Article VII, Section 14; and 85-1403

Originally created by the 1976 Legislature, the Nebraska Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education was given constitutional authority by Nebraska voters in the 1990 general election to coordinate the activities of Nebraska's public postsecondary institutions. The commission assumed this power on Jan. 1, 1992.

The commission was given constitutional responsibility to review and approve or disapprove instructional programs at all of the state's public postsecondary institutions, to review these institutions' budgets and modify them or recommend modification to the Legislature or governor, and to review and approve or disapprove capital construction projects.

The commission also was directed by the constitution to complete the state's first Comprehensive Statewide Plan for Postsecondary Education. The commission completed and approved this document in June 1992, and it has been revised as needed since that time.

In addition, the commission has statutory responsibility to:

- administer the state's financial aid programs
- coordinate the federal Improving Teacher Quality and College Access Challenge Grant programs
- approve or disapprove applications from out-of-state institutions wishing to operate in Nebraska
- conduct research and publish reports on higher education issues

The commission's purpose is to be a coordinating body that works closely with public and private institutions in the state. The commission also cooperates with leadership in elementary and secondary schools, as well as with business representatives, local community leaders, state leaders and others interested in the future of postsecondary education in the state.

The commission's 11 members are appointed by the governor, subject to legislative approval. One member is chosen from each of the six state Supreme Court districts, and five others are chosen at large. Members serve six-year terms. Members and their immediate families may not serve on any postsecondary education governing board and may not be employed by any postsecondary education institution, either directly or by contract. The commission meets at least six times a year. Members are not paid but are reimbursed for expenses.

Member	Represents	Term Expires
Colleen Adam, Hastings.....	District 5 .....	Jan. 1, 2016
John Bernthal, Lincoln.....	District 1 .....	Jan. 1, 2018
Deborah Frison, Omaha .....	District 2 .....	Jan. 1, 2018

Ron Hunter, Hay Springs.....	District 6 .....	Jan. 1, 2016
Mary Lauritzen, West Point.....	At Large.....	Jan. 1, 2020
Dwayne Probyn, Papillion .....	At Large.....	Jan. 1, 2020
Eric Seacrest, North Platte .....	At Large.....	Jan. 1, 2016
Joyce Simmons, Valentine.....	At Large.....	Jan. 1, 2018
Lori Warner, South Sioux City.....	District 3 .....	Jan. 1, 2020
W. Scott Wilson, Papillion.....	District 4 .....	Jan. 1, 2020
Carol Zink, Lincoln .....	At Large.....	Jan. 1, 2018

## Nebraska Power Review Board

**Office Address:** 301 Centennial Mall South, Fifth Floor, P.O. Box 94713, Lincoln, NE 68509-4713, phone (402) 471-2301, email address — [tim.texel@nebraska.gov](mailto:tim.texel@nebraska.gov), website — [www.powerreview.nebraska.gov](http://www.powerreview.nebraska.gov)

**Executive Director:** Tim Texel

**Statutory Reference:** 70-1003

The Power Review Board regulates Nebraska’s electrical utility industry. The 1963 Legislature created the board, and since then regulatory duties have been added to its original mission. The board:

- approves creation of, and amendments to, retail and wholesale service areas, which designate the territory that electric utilities are authorized and obligated to serve
- authorizes construction or acquisition of generation facilities and certain transmission lines, settles disputes between suppliers over area and customers to be served and, in certain cases, disagreements between customers and utilities
- authorizes microwave facility construction
- approves creation of public power districts and subsequent changes to each district’s charter

The board has five members appointed to four-year terms by the governor with legislative approval. The board must include an engineer, a lawyer, an accountant and two members of the public. Members cannot be elected state officials or a director, officer or employee of any electric utility within the past four years. No more than three members may belong to the governor’s political party, and no member may serve more than two consecutive terms.

The board meets monthly. Members are paid \$60 a day when conducting board business (with a limit of \$6,000 a year) and are reimbursed for expenses.

The board employs an executive director, a business manager and a paralegal. The board also may hire experts and consultants necessary to carry out its duties.

Member	Position	Term Expires
Dennis Grennan, Columbus (I) <sup>14</sup> .....	Engineer.....	Jan. 1, 2018
Chuck Haase, Grand Island (D) .....	Layperson .....	Jan. 1, 2017
Stephen Lichter, Waterloo (R).....	Layperson .....	Jan. 1, 2017
Rick Morehouse, Scottsbluff (R).....	Accountant .....	Jan. 1, 2018
Frank Reida, Omaha (R) .....	Layperson .....	Jan. 1, 2019

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<sup>14</sup> Political party affiliation: D=Democrat, R=Republican, I=Independent.

## Public Service Commission

**Office Address:** 300 The Atrium, 1200 N St., Lincoln, NE 68508, phone (402) 471-3101, toll-free phone (800) 526-0017, fax (402) 471-0254, email address — [steve.meradith@nebraska.gov](mailto:steve.meradith@nebraska.gov), website — [www.psc.nebraska.gov](http://www.psc.nebraska.gov)

**Executive Director:** Steve Meradith

**Statutory Reference:** Nebraska Constitution, Article IV, Section 20

**Salary for Public Service Commissioners:** \$75,000

**Publications:** Motor carrier rate tariffs, annual report on telecommunications

The constitutional powers and duties of the Public Service Commission include regulatory authority over certain aspects of the following industries: grain warehouses and grain dealers; manufacturers and sellers of manufactured homes, modular homes and recreational vehicles; motor transportation carriers of household goods and passengers; natural gas utilities; private water companies; railroads; electric transmission lines and telecommunications carriers. The commission is composed of its transportation, communications, grain warehouse and dealers, housing and recreational vehicles, natural gas, and Nebraska Telecommunications Infrastructure and Public Safety departments.

The natural gas department regulates:

- natural gas utilities, not including natural gas utilities owned or operated by a city or metropolitan utilities district, pursuant to the 2003 State Natural Gas Regulation Act (statutory reference: 66-1801 *et seq.*). The commission's oversight includes: regulating rates charged for delivery of natural gas to customers, regulating quality of natural gas service and addressing customer complaints against natural gas utilities. The commission interacts with the public advocate, an attorney charged with representing the interests of residential and small business natural gas customers. Costs of the program are paid by the regulated utilities and passed on to customers in the form of a surcharge on natural gas bills.

- natural gas pipeline extensions in the areas surrounding Omaha, where a metropolitan utilities district and another natural gas utility both serve. The commission resolves disputes regarding new construction of natural gas mains to serve customers in that area.

- the Major Oil Pipeline Siting Program carries out the Commission's responsibilities established by the 2011 Major Oil Pipeline Siting Act (statutory reference: 57-1401 *et seq.*), namely to ensure the welfare of Nebraskans, including protection of property rights, aesthetic values and economic interests; to consider the lawful protection of Nebraska's natural resources in determining the location of routes of major oil pipelines within the state; to ensure that a major oil pipeline is not constructed in Nebraska without receiving the Commission's approval under section 57-1408; to ensure that the location of routes for major oil pipelines is in compliance with Nebraska law; and to ensure that a coordinated and efficient method for the authorization of such construction is provided.

The transportation department regulates:

- railroads (safety laws, track and motive power and equipment inspection, and the compiling and filing of reports required by law)
- household goods and passenger carriers (rates, service, territory, safety and insurance)

The communications department regulates:

- telephone companies (basic local service rates and access charges; boundary limitations; entry into the Nebraska telecommunications market; subscriber complaints against telephone companies; service quality; licensing of long distance companies, including resellers; licensing of automatic dialing-announcing devices; and auditing of local exchange telephone companies)

- the VoIP/Wireless/ISP Registry

- the Nebraska Relay Service, a communication system for the speech and hearing impaired. The Telecommunications Relay System Advisory Committee (statutory reference: 86-1307) consists of seven members appointed by the Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing to advise on issues related to the hearing impaired community.

- high voltage electrical transmission lines (limited to safe installation, operation and maintenance of electrical transmission lines outside incorporated cities and villages)

- private water companies

The grain warehouse department regulates:

- grain storage and grain sales (grain warehouses and dealers, and grain probes and moisture meter testing). Grain examinations are done annually on grain warehouses and grain dealers. Yearly inspections also are performed on all commercial grain moisture meters.

The housing and recreational vehicle department regulates:

- construction of manufactured (mobile) homes, modular housing units and recreational vehicles through plan review, factory production line inspection, dealer lot inspection and consumer complaint investigation.

The Nebraska Telecommunications Infrastructure and Public Safety Department is responsible for:

- ensuring all Nebraskans have access to telecommunications services at affordable prices through the Nebraska Universal Service Fund. The commission accomplishes this through the administration of four programs. The high-cost program keeps local rates affordable in all areas of the state by subsidizing the costs of telephone services in high cost areas. The Nebraska Telephone Assistance Program (NTAP) provides additional assistance to qualifying low-income Nebraskans to obtain and keep telephone service. The Rural Telehealth Program supports the provision of telecommunications services to a statewide telehealth network. The Broadband Pilot Program supports the provision of broadband telecommunications infrastructure in unserved and underserved areas of the state. These programs are administered with the assistance of an advisory board. The Universal Service Advisory Board (statutory reference: 86-1408) consists of nine members appointed by the Public Service Commission.

- regulating wireless enhanced 911 service, which allows 911 call centers to identify and locate emergency calls originating from wireless phones. Funds may be distributed to 911 call centers throughout Nebraska and to wireless carriers for equipment and network upgrades necessary to process wireless calls. Funding for the program is generated by a 45-cent monthly surcharge assessed on each subscriber with a billing address in Nebraska. An 11-member advisory board assists the commission with administration of the program.

The commission’s early predecessor was the Railway Commission, established in 1885, which consisted of the attorney general, secretary of state and auditor of public accounts, each of which appointed a secretary. The commissioners supervised railroad operations in the state, including examination of railroad documents, and could issue subpoenas and administer oaths.

The commission lasted two years until the 1887 Legislature created a board of transportation with the attorney general, secretary of state, auditor of public accounts, state treasurer, commissioner of public lands and buildings and three appointed secretaries as its members. This board investigated common carriers and looked into their business management and held hearings on carrier issues. Lawmakers expanded the board’s functions in 1891 by placing the licensing and regulation of public warehouses under its jurisdiction. In 1892, the board began classifying and fixing minimum freight rates charged by Nebraska railroads. The board was given jurisdiction over telephone, telegraph and express companies in 1897.

A 1901 Supreme Court ruling found the law creating the Board of Transportation unconstitutional. From 1901 to 1906, the Legislature regulated railroads. In 1906, voters ratified a constitutional amendment that created an elective railway commission of three members serving six-year terms. A Supreme Court ruling the following year held that the amendment was legal.

In January 1964, the commission increased its membership to five, and the state was divided into five districts, with each electing one commissioner for a six-year term. A 1972 general election vote changed the name of the agency to the Public Service Commission in December of that year.

In 2009, the commission was designated by Gov. Heineman as the state entity to apply for federal stimulus funding for a broadband mapping and planning project. In January 2010, Nebraska’s grant was approved for \$2.1 million for the first two years of a proposed five-year project. Through a competitive bid process, ApexCovantage was selected to gather and map broadband data for the state for the first two years. In September 2010, the Commission received an additional award of \$3.5 million, and BroadMap was selected through a competitive bid process to gather and map broadband data for the project’s final three years. Approximately \$2.5 million of the grant was earmarked for planning activities, which are a collaborative process led by the Nebraska Information Technology Commission, the University of Nebraska, the state Department of Economic Development and the PSC.

<b>Commissioner</b>	<b>Represents</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Rod Johnson, Sutton .....	District 4.....	January 2017
Frank E. Landis, Lincoln .....	District 1.....	January 2019
Crystal Rhoades, Omaha.....	District 2.....	January 2021
Tim Schram, Gretna .....	District 3.....	January 2019
Gerald L. Vap, McCook .....	District 5.....	January 2017

*Enhanced Wireless 911 Advisory Board*

**Contact Person:** Joselyn Luedtke, Legal Counsel, Public Service Commission, 300 The Atrium, 1200 N St., Lincoln, NE 68508, phone (402) 471-3101, email address — joselyn.luedtke@nebraska.gov

**Statutory Reference:** 86-461

The Enhanced Wireless 911 Advisory Board was created in 2001 to advise the Public Service Commission on the implementation, development, administration, coordination, evaluation and maintenance of enhanced wireless 911 service.

Nine of the board’s 11 members are appointed by the governor to represent county and municipal officials, county sheriffs, 911 dispatchers, the wireless telecommunications industry and the local telecommunications service industry. A public service commissioner and the director of the Department of Administrative Services or their designees serve as ex officio members.

During the board’s inaugural year, three members were appointed for one-year terms, two members were appointed for two-year terms and three members were appointed for three-year terms. Each succeeding board member will be appointed for three-year terms.

Member	Represents	Term Expires
Isaac “Ike” Brown, McCook	City Official	Dec. 31, 2016
Brenda L. Carlisle, La Vista	County Official	Dec. 31, 2015
Mark Conrey, Omaha	911 Dispatch	Dec. 31, 2015
Neil Miller, Kearney	County Sheriff	Dec. 31, 2017
Robert Paden, Stanton	Local Exchange	Dec. 31, 2015
Pete Peterson, Ogallala	County Employee	Dec. 31, 2017
Julie Righter, Lincoln	Municipal	Dec. 31, 2015
Tom Shoemaker, Cambridge	Wireless Telecommunications	Dec. 31, 2017
Randall Warner, Aurora	At Large	Dec. 31, 2016
Brenda Decker, Lincoln	DAS Representative	Nonexpiring
Gerald Vap, McCook	Public Service Commissioner	Nonexpiring

*Telecommunications Relay System Advisory Committee*

**Contact Person:** Gene Hand, Director, Communications Department, 300 The Atrium, 1200 N St., Lincoln, NE 68508, email address – gene.hand@nebraska.gov

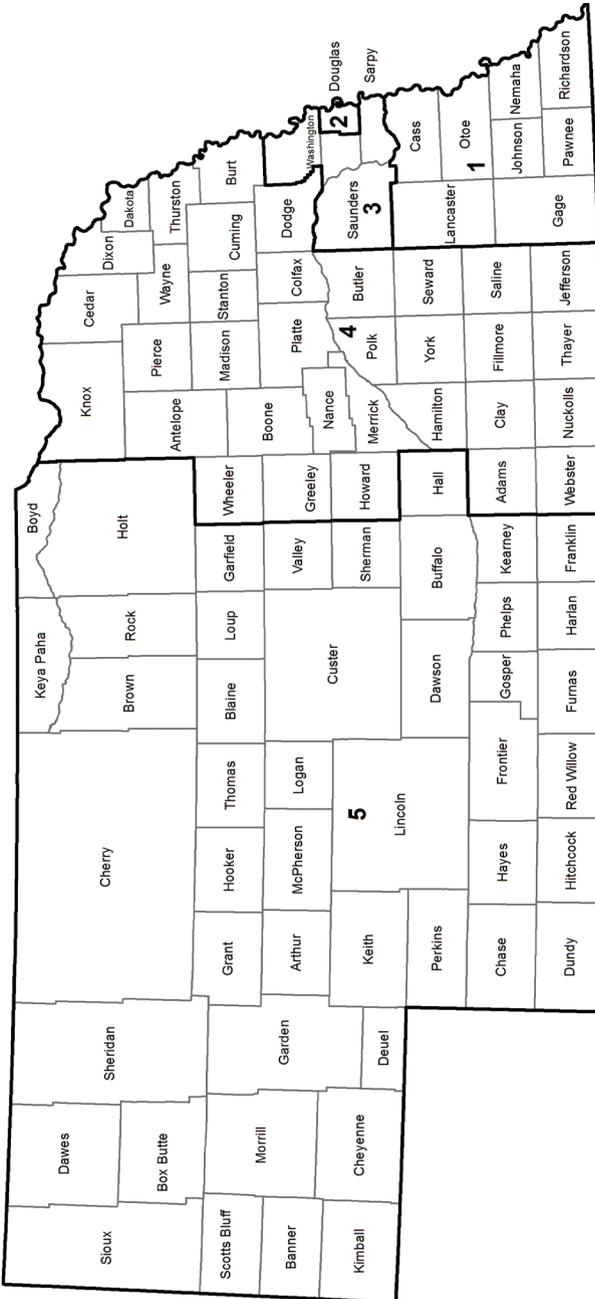
**Statutory Reference:** 86-314

The 2002 Legislature created a special committee to carry out the Telecommunications Relay System Act. The act requires Nebraska to have a statewide telecommunications relay system and a statewide voucher program to provide specialized telecommunications equipment for deaf, hard-of-hearing and speech-impaired residents. The system allows them to communicate with those who use conventional telephone systems.

Members of the Telecommunications Relay System Advisory Committee are appointed by the Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing. The committee consists of seven members: one who is deaf; one member who is deaf or hard-of-hearing; one member who is speech impaired; one member who represents the telephone industry; one member who represents the Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing; and one member who represents the public.

<b>Member</b>	<b>Represents</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Dillard Delts, Papillion.....	NCDHH Representative .....	March 8, 2016
Diana McIntosh, Sutherland .....	Hard of Hearing .....	March 8, 2016
Kim Remington, Lincoln .....	Telephone Industry .....	March 8, 2015
Tami Richardson-Nelson, Omaha.....	Deaf .....	Jan. 31, 2017
Tim Schram, Gretna .....	Public Service Commission.....	Jan. 31, 2015
Albert Sparks, Lincoln.....	Public .....	Jan. 31, 2017
Vacant .....	Speech-Impaired .....	Jan. 31, 2011

Nebraska Public Service Commission Districts\*



\*Boundaries established by LB700 in the 2011 legislative session.

## Nebraska Public Service Commissioners, 2015

### FRANK E. LANDIS

### DISTRICT 1

**Office Address:** 3400 Calvert St., Lincoln, NE 68508, email address — [frank.landis@nebraska.gov](mailto:frank.landis@nebraska.gov)

**Elected to Public Service Commission:** 1988; re-elected 1994, 2000, 2006 and 2012 (chairperson, 1991-94, 2000-01 and 2009; vice chairperson, 1998-99 and 2007-08)

**Biography:** Born Nov. 19, 1942, in Grand Island. Graduate of Lincoln Southeast High School; University of Nebraska (B.A.) 1968, (J.D.) 1971. Married Polly Ann O'Neal, Nov. 21, 1975. Military service: Colonel (Ret.) 155th Air Refueling Wing Nebraska Air National Guard, former Chief of Staff. Attorney; vice president, Four Stars Inc. **Member:** National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC), Committee on Gas; Mid-America Regulatory Conference (MARC); board of directors, Frontier State Bank; Nebraska National Guard Officers Association; First Plymouth Congregational Church; American Legion Post 3; Forty and Eight. **Former member:** Lancaster County Heart Association; Institutional Review Board, MDS Pharma Services; NARUC, Committee on Transportation (chair); Highway Rail Crossing Safety Task Force; Interagency Transportation Efficiency Task Force; Governor's Communications Bridge Task Force; Nebraska Railway Council, appointed 1992, reappointed 1996, 2000, 2004 and 2008. Republican.



### CRYSTAL RHOADES

### DISTRICT 2

**Home Address:** 4565 Shirley St., Omaha, NE 68106, email address — [crystal.rhoades@nebraska.gov](mailto:crystal.rhoades@nebraska.gov)

**Elected to Public Service Commission:** 2014

**Biography:** Born March 17. Graduate of Omaha Central High School; University of Nebraska at Omaha (B.A. and M.S.). Juvenile detention reform coordinator. Former community outreach coordinator and assistant executive director at the Neighborhood Center. **Member:** South Omaha Neighborhood Alliance. **Former member:** board of governors, Metropolitan Community College, 2006-14. **Honors and awards:** Ten Outstanding Young Omahans; John F. Kennedy Award, Nebraska Democratic Party; League of Women Voters Making Democracy Work Award. Democrat.

## Nebraska Public Service Commissioners, 2015 (Cont'd.)



### TIM SCHRAM

### DISTRICT 3

**Home Address:** 15151 S 234th St., Gretna, NE 68028, email address — [tim.schram@nebraska.gov](mailto:tim.schram@nebraska.gov)

**Elected to Public Service Commission:** 2006; re-elected 2012 (chairperson, 2011)

**Biography:** Born Oct. 20, 1961. Graduate of Ashland-Greenwood High School; University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Agricultural Economics, 1986. **Member:** Committee on Telecommunications, National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC); Mid-America Regulatory Conference (MARC); advisory council, Telecommunications Relay System (TRS); Interstate TRS Fund Advisory Council; Gretna Optimists; volunteer, Sarpy County Fair and Rodeo; Benefit Auctions for the Heart Association; Cancer Fund; Diabetes Association; Ducks Unlimited; Pheasants Forever; St. Patrick's Catholic Church. **Former member:** Nebraska Beginning Young Farmer Board, appointed by Gov. Mike Johanns; Sarpy County Board of Commissioners, 12 years, elected in 1994, re-elected in 1998 and 2002; Nebraska Road

Classifications and Standards Board, appointed by Gov. Mike Johanns and reappointed by Gov. Dave Heineman; Sarpy County Planning Commission, six years; Sarpy County Extension Board, three years; Alegent Midlands Hospital Advisory Board, three years; University of Nebraska President's Advisory Council; Nebraska Public Roads Classifications and Standards Board. Republican.

### ROD JOHNSON

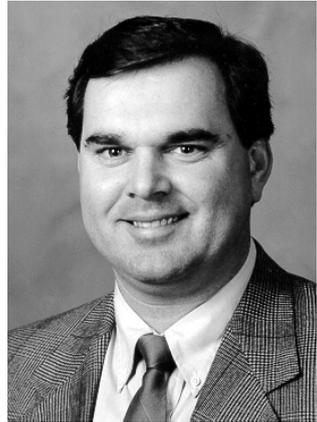
### DISTRICT 4

**Home Address:** 210 West Ridge, P.O. Box 727, Sutton, NE 68979, email — [rod.johnson@nebraska.gov](mailto:rod.johnson@nebraska.gov)

**Elected to Public Service Commission:** 1992; re-elected 1998, 2004 and 2010 (chairperson, 1996, 2006-07, 2012)

**Biography:** Born Aug. 18, 1957, in Hastings. Graduate of Harvard High School; Nebraska Wesleyan University (B.S. in history and political science). Married Lisa Leininger, June 1, 1984; two children: Alexa and Kyle. Partner, Johnson Farms. Former: state senator, Nebraska Legislature, District 34 (1983-92); legislative aide, 1981-82. **Member:** Committee on Energy Resources and the Environment, National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC); Mid-America Regulatory Conference (MARC). **Former member:** Committee on Water and Committee on Telecommunications, NARUC; chairman, Nebraska Legislature Natural Resources Committee (1991-92); Council of State Governments Toll Fellowship program, 1986; Nebraska delegate to Multi-State Legislators Agricultural Crisis Meeting, Washington, D.C.

**Honors and awards:** named Soil and Water Conservation Steward by Nebraska Natural Resources Commission; named Amicus Studentium by Association of Independent Colleges and Universities of Nebraska. Republican.



## Nebraska Public Service Commissioners, 2015 (Cont'd.)

### GERALD L. VAP

### DISTRICT 5

**Home Address:** 1302 Norris Ave., McCook, NE 69001, email address — [jerry.vap@nebraska.gov](mailto:jerry.vap@nebraska.gov)

**Appointed to Public Service Commission:** August 7, 2001, to replace Dan Urwiller, who resigned; elected 2004; re-elected 2010

**Biography:** Born Nov. 9, 1940, in McCook. Graduate of McCook High School, 1958; University of Nebraska-Lincoln (B.S. in business administration), 1962. Married Sherry Brant, Dec. 27, 1961; three children: Jeff, Tim and Stephanie; five grandsons and one granddaughter. **Member:** Ag Energy Work Group 25 x 25 National Steering Committee; McCook Tree Board (vice chairperson); Committee on Water, Committee on Critical Infrastructure and Subcommittee on Clean Coal and Carbon Sequestration, National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC); Mid-America Regulatory Conference (MARC); E-911 Advisory Board; Information and Technology Commission Community Council. **Former member:** National Geographic Society Non-Point Source Forum; board of trustees, National Conservation Foundation; UNL Committee of Visitors; advisor to chief of the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service; Governor's Agriculture Advisory Council; Governor's Republican River Basin Advisory Commission; Western Governor's Association Great Plains Partnership Council; board of directors, Middle Republican Natural Resources (chairman); president, Republican Valley Conservation Association; McCook Chamber of Commerce; McCook Rotary Club; Nebraska Association of Resources Districts; president and vice president, National Association of Conservation Districts; has testified before the U.S. Senate Agriculture Committee and the U.S. House of Representatives Agriculture and Public Works Committees. Republican.



## Nebraska Railway Commissioners and Public Service Commissioners, 1907-2015\*

H. J. Winnett (R) <sup>1</sup> .....	1907-1913	Harold A. Palmer (R).....	1949-1954 <sup>17</sup>
Robert Cowell (R) .....	1907 <sup>2</sup>	Joseph J. Brown (R) .....	1952-1971 <sup>18</sup>
Henry T. Clarke Jr. (R).....	1907-1917 <sup>3</sup>	Paul Pettygrove (R) .....	1955-1957 <sup>19</sup>
J. A. Williams (R) .....	1907-1909	Wayne R. Swanson (R) .....	1957-1967 <sup>20</sup>
W. H. Cowgill (D).....	1909-1910 <sup>4</sup>	Frederick N. Peterson (R) .....	1965-1970 <sup>21</sup>
W. J. Furse (D).....	1910-1911 <sup>5</sup>	John W. Swanson (R) .....	1965-1975
T. L. Hall (R) .....	1911-1921 <sup>6</sup>	Robert T. Marland (D).....	1967-1969 <sup>22</sup>
H. G. Taylor (R).....	1913-1927 <sup>7</sup>		1971-1977
Victor E. Wilson (D) .....	1917-1919 <sup>8</sup>	James F. Munnely (D).....	1967-1997
Thorne A. Brown (R) .....	1919-1926 <sup>9</sup>	Eric C. Rasmussen (R).....	1969-1993
H. L. Cook (R).....	1921-1923 <sup>10</sup>	L. E. Adams (R).....	1970-1971 <sup>23</sup>
C. A. Randall (R) .....	1923-1935	Duane D. Gay (R) .....	1971-1995
John H. Miller (R) .....	1926-1933 <sup>11</sup>	Jack Romans (R).....	1975-1982 <sup>24</sup>
John E. Curtiss (R).....	1927-1930 <sup>12</sup>	Harold D. Simpson Sr. (R).....	1977-1989
Hugh Drake (R) .....	1930-1937 <sup>13</sup>	Robert Brayton (R) .....	1982-1987 <sup>25</sup>
Floyd L. Bollen (D).....	1933-1939	Daniel G. Urwiller (R) .....	1987-2001 <sup>26</sup>
Will M. Maupin (D) .....	1935-1941	Frank E. Landis Jr. (R) .....	1989-
F. A. Good (D) .....	1937-1943	Rod Johnson (R).....	1993-
Duane T. Swanson (R).....	1939-1948 <sup>14</sup>	Lowell C. Johnson (R) .....	1995-2007
Richard H. Larson (R) .....	1941-1947	Anne Boyle (D).....	1997-2015
	1949-1967	Gerald L. Vap (R).....	2001 <sup>27</sup> -
John Knickrehm (R) .....	1943-1949	Tim Schram (R) .....	2007-
Walter F. Roberts (R) .....	1947-1952 <sup>15</sup>	Crystal Rhoades (D) .....	2015
Einar Viren (R).....	1948 <sup>16</sup>		

\* Name changed from Railway Commission to Public Service Commission by 1972 constitutional amendment.

<sup>1</sup> Political party affiliation: R=Republican; D=Democrat

<sup>2</sup> Resigned April 4, 1907.

<sup>3</sup> Appointed April 4, 1907, to fill vacancy. Elected 1907 to fill remainder of term; re-elected 1910.

<sup>4</sup> Died Oct. 6, 1910.

<sup>5</sup> Appointed Nov. 7, 1910, to fill vacancy. Served until Dec. 1, 1911.

<sup>6</sup> Elected 1911 to fill remainder of term; re-elected 1914.

<sup>7</sup> Resigned July 1, 1927.

<sup>8</sup> Resigned Sept. 30, 1919.

<sup>9</sup> Appointed Oct. 1, 1919, to fill vacancy. Elected 1920. Resigned Sept. 15, 1926.

<sup>10</sup> Elected 1920 to fill remainder of term.

<sup>11</sup> Appointed Nov. 8, 1926, when he was commissioner-elect, to fill vacancy.

<sup>12</sup> Appointed July 1, 1927, to fill vacancy. Elected 1928 to finish term. Resigned Sept. 1, 1930.

<sup>13</sup> Appointed Sept. 1, 1930, to fill vacancy. Elected 1930.

<sup>14</sup> Resigned Feb. 1, 1948.

<sup>15</sup> Resigned April 1, 1952.

<sup>16</sup> Appointed Feb. 1, 1948. Resigned November 1948.

<sup>17</sup> Elected 1948 to fill remainder of term; re-elected 1950. Died Dec. 5, 1954.

<sup>18</sup> Appointed April 3, 1952, to fill vacancy. Elected 1952; re-elected 1958 and 1964.

<sup>19</sup> Appointed Jan. 4, 1955, to fill vacancy.

<sup>20</sup> Resigned January 1967 to take over duties of state treasurer.

<sup>21</sup> Died April 18, 1970.

<sup>22</sup> Appointed Feb. 13, 1967, to fill vacancy. Elected 1971.

<sup>23</sup> Appointed May 15, 1970, to fill vacancy.

<sup>24</sup> Died Feb. 4, 1982.

<sup>25</sup> Appointed April 23, 1982, to fill vacancy.

<sup>26</sup> Resigned May 1, 2001

<sup>27</sup> Appointed Aug 7, 2001, to fill vacancy. Elected 2004.

## State Racing Commission

**Office Address:** 5903 Walker Ave., Lincoln, NE 68507, phone (402) 471-4155, website — [www.nebraskaracingcommission.com](http://www.nebraskaracingcommission.com)

**Executive Secretary:** Tom Sage

**Statutory Reference:** 2-1201

In 1935, a bill was passed to promote Nebraska's horse breeding industry. The State Racing Commission created by this law prescribes and enforces horse racing rules and regulations.

The 2010 Legislature increased the commission's membership to five members, appointed by the governor to four-year terms, one from each of the state's congressional districts and two at large members. Only three members may belong to the same political party and no more than two members may reside in the same congressional district or in any one county. Members are bonded under the blanket surety bond required by Section 11-201 of Nebraska law.

The commission meets approximately 10 times per year. Members are not paid but are reimbursed for expenses.

Member	Represents	Term Expires
Helen Abbott-Feller, Wisner (R) <sup>15</sup>	District 1	March 30, 2015
Janell L. Beveridge, Paxton (R)	District 3	March 30, 2016
Kristopher Covi, Omaha (R)	At Large	March 31, 2017
Jeffrey P. Galyen, Norfolk (D)	At Large	March 31, 2018
Dennis P. Lee, Omaha (I)	District 2	March 30, 2018

## Real Property Appraiser Board

**Office Address:** 301 Centennial Mall South, Lower Level, P.O. Box 94963, Lincoln, NE 68509-4963, phone (402) 471-9015, fax (402) 471-9017, email address — [tyler.kohtz@nebraska.gov](mailto:tyler.kohtz@nebraska.gov), website — [www.appraiser.ne.gov](http://www.appraiser.ne.gov)

**Director:** Tyler N. Kohtz

**Statutory Reference:** 76-2222

**Publications:** Real Property Appraiser Act, Appraisal Management Company Registration Act, NAC Title 297 Rules and Regulations, NAC Title 298 Rules and Regulations and Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice

The Nebraska Real Property Board was established as the Real Estate Appraiser Board on Jan. 1, 1991, after enactment of Title XI of the federal Financial Institutions Reform, Recovery and Enforcement Act of 1989. Following passage of LB778, the name was changed to the Nebraska Real Property Appraiser Board on July 14, 2006. The board administers and enforces the Nebraska Real Property Appraiser Act and the Nebraska Appraisal Management Company Registration Act.

The board's primary functions are to issue and renew appraiser credentials, develop and implement standards for appraiser credentialing and register and renew registration for appraisal management companies.

The board also approves appraiser qualifying courses and continuing education

<sup>15</sup>Political party affiliation: R=Republican; D=Democrat; I=Independent.

activities, investigates and adjudicates grievances, develops rules and disseminates relevant information to the general public, stakeholders, credentialed appraisers and appraisal management companies.

Through these processes, the board ensures that Nebraskans are protected and served and that the appraisal business community is highly qualified through education, experience and examination.

The board’s five members are appointed by the governor to five-year terms. No member may serve consecutive terms. The governor selects one member from each congressional district, two of whom must be certified general real property appraisers. The third may be a licensed or certified residential real property appraiser. Two members, one representative of financial institutions and one licensed real estate broker or salesperson, are selected at large. Members are paid \$100 a day when conducting board business and are reimbursed for expenses.

<b>Member</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Sandra J. Gutwein, Scottsbluff .....	Appraiser, District 3.....	Jan. 1, 2020
Thomas Kubert, Lincoln .....	Appraiser, District 1.....	Jan. 1, 2016
Christopher Langemeier, Schuyler .....	Real Estate Broker, At Large.....	Jan. 1, 2018
Larry Saxton, Omaha .....	Financial Institutions, At Large.....	Jan. 1, 2019
Marc Woodle, Omaha.....	Appraiser, District 2.....	Jan. 1, 2017

## State Real Estate Commission

**Office Address:** The Atrium, 1200 N St., Suite 402, P.O. Box 94667, Lincoln, NE 68509-4667, phone (402) 471-2004, email address — realestate.commission@nebraska.gov, website — www.nrec.ne.gov

**Director:** Greg Lemon

**Statutory Reference:** 81-885.07

The 1973 Legislature passed the Real Estate License Act, which provided for the State Real Estate Commission. The commission licenses real estate brokers and salespersons through written examinations, investigates complaints and applicants for licenses and examines real estate broker trust accounts. Under the act, as amended in 1978, the commission approves real estate courses offered by proprietary real estate schools and approves instructors and monitors schools offering approved real estate courses.

Real estate licensees have had to meet continuing education requirements since 1986 and, by law, are required to complete 18 hours of approved classes every two years before their licenses can be renewed. Inactive licensees may waive the requirement until they activate their licenses. The commission approves instructors, providers and the subject matter of these classes.

The commission consists of seven members, six of whom are appointed by the governor to six-year terms. The secretary of state is the commission chairperson. Four members must be broker licensees with at least five years of broker or associate broker experience. Three of the broker members are appointed from Nebraska’s congressional districts as constituted on Jan. 1, 2006 and one broker member is appointed at large. The two other members are appointed at large. One is a representative of the public, and the other is a licensed salesperson with at least three years of experience in the real estate

business. Members are reimbursed for traveling expenses, and the appointed members are paid \$100 a day while attending monthly commission meetings. The commission employs a director and other staff.

Members	Position	Term Expires
Andy Alloway, Omaha.....	Broker, At Large .....	Aug. 28, 2019
Al Avery, Grand Island.....	Broker, District 3 .....	Aug. 28, 2016
Ann Dover, Norfolk.....	Salesperson, At Large .....	Aug. 28, 2020
Herb Freeman, Omaha .....	Broker, District 2 .....	Aug. 28, 2018
David Ptak, Norfolk .....	Public, At Large .....	Sept. 2, 2015
Drew Stange, Lincoln.....	Broker, District 1 .....	Aug. 28, 2017
John Gale, Lincoln (Chairperson) .....	Secretary of State.....	Nonexpiring

## Public Employees Retirement Board

**Office Address:** 1526 K St., Suite 400, P.O. Box 94816, Lincoln, NE 68509-4816, phone (402) 471-2053, fax (402) 471-9493, website — [www.npers.ne.gov](http://www.npers.ne.gov)

**Director:** Phyllis G. Chambers

**Statutory Reference:** 84-1501

The Public Employees Retirement Board (PERB) was created in 1971 to administer Nebraska retirement plans for school employees, state employees, judges and the State Patrol. The board assumed administration of the retirement system for Nebraska county employees in 1973.

The board has eight voting members appointed by the governor, with legislative approval, to five-year terms. The State Investment Officer serves as a non-voting, ex officio member. Members must be Nebraska residents. Members include six active or retired participants of board-administered retirement systems, and two public representatives who are not state employees or employees of its subdivisions. The board meets monthly. Members receive a \$50 per diem and are reimbursed for actual expenses.

The board hires a director to distribute expenses among the retirement systems it administers. Expenses must be provided from investment income earned by various retirement funds, unless other fund sources to pay expenses are specified by law.

The state auditor audits state retirement systems each year and makes an annual report to the Legislature. The board also annually reports on the actuarial condition of state retirement systems to the Legislature.

Since 1973, all actuarial reports, actuarial assumption statements and methods, and actuarial valuations and experience investigations required for any retirement system that covers employees in any political subdivision at least partly supported by Nebraska tax dollars must be prepared and signed by an actuary certified by the board.

Member	Position	Term Expires
Denis Blank, Lincoln.....	Participant, State.....	Jan. 1, 2015
Ronald Ecklund, Lincoln .....	Public Member .....	Jan. 1, 2017
Janis Elliott, Bellevue.....	Participant, School .....	Jan. 1, 2019
Dennis Leonard, Grand Island.....	Participant, Patrol.....	Jan. 1, 2015
Randall L. Rehmeier, Nebraska City .....	Participant, Judges.....	Jan. 1, 2016
Stuart Simpson, North Platte.....	Participant, School .....	Jan. 1, 2017
Elaine Stuhr, Bradshaw .....	Public Member .....	Jan. 1, 2018
Richard Wassinger, Plattsmouth .....	Participant, County .....	Jan. 1, 2016
Jeffrey States, Lincoln.....	Ex Officio.....	Nonexpiring

*State Plan*

The State Employees Retirement plan began on Jan. 1, 1964, and has a defined contribution option and a cash balance option. Employees contribute 4.8 percent of their annual salary by payroll deduction. The state contributes 156 percent of employees' contributions.

Participants employed after Jan. 1, 2003, and employees who have elected to join, participate in the cash balance option. Cash balance provides a hypothetical account which is credited with daily interest credit and also has the possibility of additional dividends when investment performance allows. The interest credit rate is equal to the federal mid-term rate plus 1.5 percent, but not less than 5 percent. Cash balance contributions are held in a comingled fund and investment of the fund is directed by the Nebraska Investment Council.

Participants who began employment before 2003 and who wished to remain in the defined contribution option have 13 investment funds from which to choose. Defined contribution participants individually select their investments and receive the gains and losses of their selections.

A state employee may retire upon reaching age 55. Several payment options are available, including annuities, rollovers and lump sum distributions. The agency administers the plan and record keeping is done by a third party contractor. Plan expenses are deducted from plan earnings.

*County Plan*

The 1973 Legislature brought the Retirement System for Nebraska Counties under the board's administration. The 1965 County Employees Retirement Act covered county employees not already covered by retirement plans. By 1987, all counties, except for Douglas and Lancaster, were required to belong to the County Retirement System. It has a defined contribution option and a cash balance option as in the State Plan. Members, whether participating in the defined contribution option or in the cash balance option, contribute 4.5 percent of their gross earnings with the employer contributing 150 percent of the employee amount. In the defined contribution option, the employee and employer contributions are invested in 13 different funds as the member may direct.

Participants employed after Jan. 1, 2003, and employees who have elected to join, participate in the cash balance option. Cash balance provides a hypothetical account which is credited with daily interest credit and also has the possibility of additional dividends when investment performance allows. The interest credit rate is equal to the federal mid-term rate plus 1.5 percent, but not less than 5 percent. Cash balance contributions are held in a comingled fund and investment of the fund is directed by the Nebraska Investment Council.

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isters the plan and record keeping is done by a third party contractor. Plan expenses are deducted from plan earnings.

#### *School Plan*

The 1945 Legislature established the School Retirement System for Nebraska school employees. All regular public school employees, except those in Class V school districts, are members of the system. Benefits are based on service, the highest three years' average salary and age at retirement. For members initially joining the plan on or after July 1, 2013, benefits are calculated using the highest five years of salary. A school employee may retire as early as age 60 with five years of service and receive a reduced benefit. The normal retirement age for unreduced benefits is 65. In 1998, legislation for a "Rule of 85" benefit was passed. This legislation allows a member who is at least 55 to retire with unreduced benefits when the member's age and years of service equal 85.

#### *State Patrol Plan*

The 1947 Legislature created the State Patrol Retirement System. State Patrol employees can retire at age 55 with at least 10 years of service or, on a reduced basis, at age 50 with at least 10 years of service. The normal retirement age is 55. The contribution rate is 16 percent for the employer and 16 percent for the employee. Benefits are based on years of service as a percentage with a maximum of 75 percent of final average salary. Besides normal benefits, the law provides for disability and survivor benefits. Members are not covered by Social Security. Beginning Sept. 1, 2008, a deferred retirement option plan was adopted for members who have reached normal retirement age.

#### *Judges Plan*

The 1955 Legislature created a Judges Retirement System. Membership for district and Supreme Court judges became effective Jan. 3, 1957. Workers' Compensation Court judges were added Sept. 20, 1957, county judges and separate juvenile judges on Jan. 5, 1961, municipal judges on Oct. 23, 1967, and Court of Appeals judges were added in September 1991. In 1985, the Legislature combined the municipal and county court systems.

A per case fee is collected from district and county courts to help finance the Judges plan, as well as a percentage charge on certain county court fees. The current contribution rate for the plan is 9 percent of salary for the first 20 years and 5 percent thereafter for members who participate in the spousal benefit option, and 7 percent of salary for the first 20 years and 1 percent thereafter for members who do not participate in the spousal benefit option.

#### *Deferred Compensation Plan*

In 1976, the board implemented the State of Nebraska Deferred Compensation Plan. This plan is an optional supplemental retirement plan. It allows eligible employees to defer a portion of their salaries to a later date. Taxes due on the accounts and earnings are deferred until the date of disbursement. This is usually at retirement when most participants are in a lower tax bracket. Other qualifying events for disbursement

are death, disability or termination of employment. Provisions in the plan document allow emergency withdrawals for unforeseen financial hardships with board approval. The investment options the member may select are the same as the ones in the defined contribution option of the State Plan and the County Plan.

### Retirement System Statistics — June 30, 2014

	State	County	School	Patrol	Judges
Active Members .....	15,644	7,542	40,314	409	149
Inactive Members.....	6,532	2,646	20,388	28	10
Retirees Receiving Benefits.....	1,032	384	19,790	375	167
Plan Assets .....	\$1,830,654,382	530,977,130	8,092,953,030	309,589,784	137,021,979

## Tax Equalization and Review Commission

**Office Address:** 301 Centennial Mall South, Sixth Floor, P.O. Box 95108, Lincoln, NE 68509-5108, phone (402) 471-2842, fax (402) 471-7720, website — [www.terc.ne.gov](http://www.terc.ne.gov)

**Statutory Reference:** Nebraska Constitution, Article IV, Section 28; and 77-5003

The Tax Equalization and Review Commission was created on Jan. 1, 1996. The commission has two primary duties. First, the commission serves as an intermediate appellate tribunal, conducting de novo hearings and issuing written decisions to resolve appeals – primarily determinations made by the 93 county boards of equalization. Second, the commission acts as an adjudicative body regarding the equalization of real property assessments within each county before May 15 of each year, commonly known as statewide equalization. The average number of valuation appeals filed with the commission has increased from approximately 500 per year to over 2,200 per year.

The commission hears and decides appeals at single commissioner hearings or panel hearings throughout the year. In all hearings, the taxpayer may present testimony and documentary evidence with or without an attorney. The county assessor or other legal representative of the county may present evidence to defend the county board of equalization’s determination of value and may be represented by the county attorney.

During informal single commissioner hearings, the rules of evidence do not apply and the hearings are not recorded. During panel hearings, limited rules of evidence apply — as required by statute — and the hearings are digitally recorded. Formal hearings are held only upon request of a party and by order of the commission.

Decisions from single commissioner hearings are final unless a rehearing before a panel of the commission is requested. Decisions from panel hearings may be appealed to the Nebraska Court of Appeals. Statewide equalization is conducted each year, primarily in April and May.

The commission has three commissioners, one from each of the congressional districts. The governor appoints the commissioners to six-year terms, and the Legislature confirms the appointments. The governor may remove commissioners from office for cause.

Member	Represents	Term Expires
Thomas D. Freimuth, Omaha .....	District 2.....	Jan. 1, 2018
Robert W. Hotz, Lincoln (chairman).....	District 1.....	Jan. 1, 2016
Nancy J. Salmon, Aurora.....	District 3.....	Jan. 1, 2014

## Nebraska Tourism Commission

**Contact Person:** Kathy McKillip, Director, Nebraska Tourism Commission, 301 Centennial Mall South, First Floor, P.O. Box 98907, Lincoln, NE 68509-8907, phone (402) 471-3796, toll-free phone (800) 228-4307, fax (402) 471-3026, website — [www.visitnebraska.com](http://www.visitnebraska.com)

**Statutory Reference:** 81-3702

The Nebraska Tourism Commission was created in 2012 by the passage of LB1053. The commission administers the Nebraska Visitors Development Act and is charged with developing a statewide strategic plan to cultivate and promote tourism in Nebraska. The commission also administers the State Visitors Promotion Cash Fund.

The nine commission members are appointed by the governor and approved by the Legislature. Members serve four-year terms.

Member	Term Expires
Jeff Boeka, North Platte .....	July 1, 2016
Lisa Burke, North Platte .....	July 1, 2018
John Chapo, Lincoln.....	July 1, 2018
Roger Dixon, Omaha .....	July 1, 2016
Roger Jasnoch, Kearney.....	July 1, 2018
Roger Kuhn, Lincoln.....	July 1, 2016
Deb Loseke, Columbus.....	July 1, 2018
Tony Moody, La Vista .....	July 1, 2016
Carol E. Schlegel, Culbertson .....	July 1, 2016

## University of Nebraska Board of Regents

**Office Address:** 3835 Holdrege St., Lincoln, NE 68583, phone (402) 472-3906, website — [www.nebraska.edu](http://www.nebraska.edu)

**Statutory References:** Nebraska Constitution, Article VII, Section 10; and 85-103

The University of Nebraska Board of Regents has been the university's governing body since the university was established in 1869.<sup>16</sup> The original board had 12 members, including the governor, the state superintendent of public instruction and the university chancellor as ex officio members. The governor appointed the original regents. Succeeding regents were elected by the Legislature until 1875, when the new state constitution reduced the number of regents to six and provided for their election by the voters in odd-numbered years. An amendment adopted in 1912 changed their election to even-numbered years. Regents were elected on partisan ballots until 1917, when the Legislature provided for nonpartisan regent elections starting in 1918. From 1921 to Jan. 7, 1971, one regent was elected from each of the state's six Supreme Court districts for a six-year term.

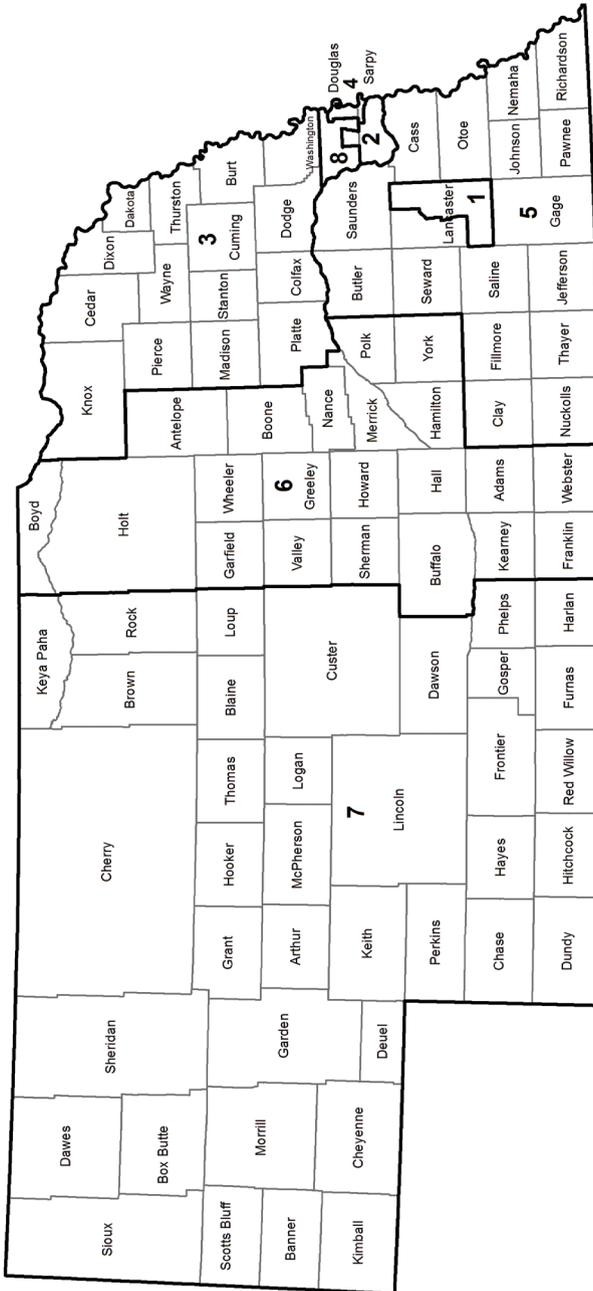
<sup>16</sup>For more information about the University of Nebraska and its four campuses, see Pages 888-896.

The 1969 Legislature increased the number of regents from six to eight and divided the state into eight districts each represented by a regent. At the 1972 general election, two regents were elected, one each from District 1 and District 2, to six-year terms. Two regents were elected to six-year terms at the 1974 general election from District 6 and District 7, and from districts 4, 5, 6 and 8 in the 1976 general election. All elections since have been for six-year terms. Regents are not paid but are reimbursed for expenses.

A constitutional amendment was approved at the 1974 general election to let the three University of Nebraska campus student body presidents sit as nonvoting members on the Board of Regents for one-year terms. The members are the president of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln's Association of Students of the University of Nebraska, president of the University of Nebraska at Omaha Student Senate and president of the University of Nebraska Medical Center Student Senate. The student body president of Kearney State College was added as a nonvoting member after the college became the University of Nebraska at Kearney on July 1, 1991.

<b>Member</b>	<b>Represents</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Tim Clare, Lincoln.....	District 1 .....	January 2021
Hal Daub, Omaha.....	District 8 .....	January 2019
Howard L. Hawks, Omaha.....	District 2 .....	January 2021
Bob Phares, North Platte.....	District 7 .....	January 2017
Jim Pillen, Columbus.....	District 3 .....	January 2019
Robert M. Schafer, Beatrice.....	District 5 .....	January 2021
Kent A. Schroeder, Kearney.....	District 6 .....	January 2017
Bob Whitehouse, Papillion.....	District 4 .....	January 2019

University of Nebraska Board of Regents Districts\*



\*Boundaries established by LB701 in the 2011 legislative session.

## University of Nebraska Regents, 2015

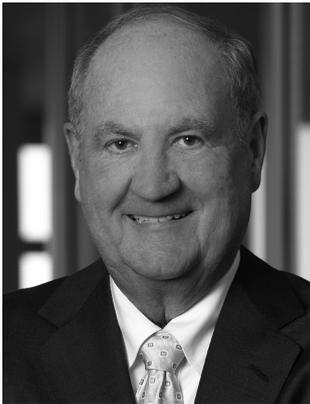
### TIM CLARE

### DISTRICT 1

**Home Address:** 6712 Hickory Crest Circle, Lincoln, NE 68516, phone (402) 421-2030, email address — tclare@nebraska.edu

**Elected to University of Nebraska Board of Regents:** 2008; re-elected 2014

**Biography:** Born May 8, 1963, in Omaha. Graduate of University of Nebraska-Lincoln (B.S.), 1985; Creighton University (M.B.A., J.D.), 1992. Married Amy Clare, March 2, 2002; five children: Matthew Clare, Ingrid Holmquist, Colin Clare, Nels Holmquist and Danny Clare. Attorney, Rembolt Ludtke LLP. Former: banker, First National Bank of Omaha. **Member:** board president, Heartland Big Brothers Big Sisters; board member, Lincoln Children's Museum; president, Lincoln Estate Planning Council; fellow, American College of Trust and Estate Counsel; Cedars Home for Children (board member). Republican.



### HOWARD L. HAWKS

### DISTRICT 2

**Office Address:** 14302 FNB Parkway, Omaha, NE 68154-5212, phone (402) 691-9500, email address — hhawks@nebraska.edu

**Elected to University of Nebraska Board of Regents:** 2002; re-elected 2008, 2014 (vice chairman, 2004 and 2013; chairman, 2005 and 2014)

**Biography:** Born June 2, 1935, in Carleton. Graduate of Bruning High School, 1953; University of Nebraska-Lincoln (B.S.), 1957; University of Nebraska at Omaha (M.B.A.), 1971. Married Myrna (deceased); three children. Remarried Rhonda; two children. Military service: U.S. Army Reserve. Founder and chairman, Tenaska, 1987; founder and chairman, The Hawks Foundation, 1993. Former: InterNorth/Enron Corp., 1966-86; General Motors, 1957-66. **Member:** co-founder, Lasting Hope Recovery Center; board of directors, Creighton University; board of directors, Heritage Services; board of governors, Joslyn Art Museum Foundation; Margaret H. Durham Center for Western Studies Advisory Committee; Joslyn Art Museum

Bodmer Society; board of directors, Ak-Sar-Ben Future Trust; board of directors, McCarthy Group LLC; board of directors and executive committee, Omaha Henry Doorly Zoo Foundation; chairman of the board, University/Community Facility Development Corporation; board of directors, University of Nebraska Foundation. **Former member:** board of governors, Joslyn Art Museum; board of directors, Omaha Zoological Society; board of trustees and chairman, Citizen of the Year Event, Mid-America Council Boy Scouts of America, 2003; strategic planning committee, Lutheran Church of the Master; board of governors, Knights of Ak-Sar-Ben; advisory board, Assistance League of Omaha; 2003 honorary chairman, 2002 honorary vice chairman, Salvation Army Tree of Lights Campaign and Kettle Klub; capital fund drive chairman, Dana College Legacy Campaign, 2000-01; chairman, Midland Lutheran College Vision 2000 Capital Campaign, 1997-2000; board of governors, Boys and Girls Club of Omaha; board of governors, president, Boys Clubs of Omaha; board of directors and Presidents Club, Greater Omaha Chamber of Commerce; chairman, strategic planning committee, Martin Luther Homes; advisory board of trustees committee, Methodist Hospital; Nebraska Business Higher Education Forum; vice chairman, stakeholder committee, North American Electric Reliability Council;

## University of Nebraska Regents, 2015 (Cont'd.)

### HOWARD L. HAWKS

### DISTRICT 2 (CONT'D.)

board of directors, Omaha Symphony Association; board of directors, Omaha Opera Guild; board of directors, Ironwood Golf and Country Club; board of directors, University of Nebraska Foundation.

**Honors and awards:** Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services People's Award, Nebraska Behavioral Health Conference, 2014; At Ease USA Founder's Award, 2014; honorary chairman, VNA Art and Soup, 2014; honorary chairman, Fontenelle Forest, Feather Our Nest, 2013; Jesuit Partnership Council of Omaha Ignation Spirit Award, 2012; honorary chairman, TeamMates Mentoring Program "Tailgate" Gala, 2011; Lutheran Family Services of Nebraska Douglas E. Parrot Faith in Action Award, 2010; honorary chairman, UNMC Eppley Cancer Center Ambassador of Hope Gala, 2010; American Red Cross Spirit of Philanthropy Award, 2009; chairman, Project Harmony "Speaking of Children," 2009; honorary chairman, Omaha Habitat for Humanity Women's Build, 2008; honorary chairman, Madonna School 2008 Capital Campaign; Beta Gamma Sigma Medallion of Entrepreneurship, 2007; United Way of the Midlands Citizen of the Year Award, 2007; The Salvation Army "Others" Award, 2007; Heartland Family Service Leadership Family Award, 2006; National Conference for Community Justice Humanitarian Award, 2006; Methodist Hospital Foundation's "Spirit of Philanthropy" Award, 2005; Volunteer of the Year Award, Thayer County Hospital, 2005; honorary chairman, Omaha Community Playhouse Gala, 2005; honorary chairman, Community Alliance's "Breaking the Silence" event, 2005-2006; honorary chairman, Leukemia and Lymphoma Society Gala, 2005; UNL College of Business Lifetime Achievement Award, 2004; finalist for CEO of the Year in the Energy Industry by *Platts Power Magazine*, 2003 and 2004; Downtown Omaha Rotary Club Free Enterprise Award, 2003; Omaha Business Hall of Fame, 2002; Methodist Hospital Honorary Member of the Board of Directors, 2001; Clarence Swanson Memorial Award for Outstanding Dedication to the University and to Nebraska Football, 2000; UNO College of Business Administration Distinguished Alumni Award, 1999. Republican.



### JIM PILLEN

### DISTRICT 3

**Office Address:** 3214 25th St., Columbus, NE 68601, phone (402) 564-0407, email address — jimdp@pillenfamilypfarms.com

**Elected to University of Nebraska Board of Regents:** 2012

**Biography:** Born Dec. 31, 1955, in Columbus. Graduate of Lakeview High School, 1974; University of Nebraska-Lincoln (B.S. in animal science), 1979; Kansas State University (D.V.M.), 1983. Married Suzanne Shreve; four children. Founder and owner, Pillen Family Farms, Inc.; managing partner, DNA Genetics. **Member:** chair, endowment board, Scotus Central Catholic High School; board member, TeamMates Mentoring Program and State Foundation; member and lector, St. Isidore Catholic Church; Nebraska Veterinary Medical Association; American Association of Swine Practitioners; National Pork Producers Council; Christians Encounter Christ.

**Former member:** board of directors, Columbus Community Hospital (chair); board of directors, St. Augustine Mission (director); Columbus Community Hospital Foundation (chair);

advisory board, University of Nebraska-Lincoln College of Business Administration; Columbus Area Chamber of Commerce (president); Columbus Family YMCA (president; fundraising chair); Platte County American Heart Association Heart Walk (chair). **Honors and awards:** 2013 Agribusiness Pioneer award, Columbus Area Chamber of Commerce; 2009 Columbus Days King Ferdinand; 2008 Distinguished Entrepreneur, UNL College of Business Administration, Nebraska Center for Entrepreneurship; 2008 Archway Award, Columbus Chamber of Commerce; 2007 Hall of Fame Award, Voluntary Pork Checkoff; Academic All American; 2004 UNL Football Hall of Fame inductee; 2003 Business Excellence Achievement Award, UNL College of Business Administration; First Team All Big 8 (twice). Republican.

## University of Nebraska Regents, 2015 (Cont'd.)



### BOB WHITEHOUSE

### DISTRICT 4

**Home Address:** 1103 Mackensy Dr., Papillion, NE 68046, email address — bwhitehouse@nebraska.edu

**Elected to University of Nebraska Board of Regents:** 2006; re-elected 2012

**Biography:** Born Aug. 17, 1944, in Omaha. Graduate of Bellevue High School, 1962; Kearney State College (B.S.) 1967; University of Nebraska-Omaha (Secondary School Administration Master's) 1971, (Specialist in Education) 1976. Married Kim M. Whitehouse, June 23, 1984; three children: Stacey, Todd and Taylor. Retired co-coordinator, Middle School Learning Center Initiative. Former: principal, Bryan Senior High School, Omaha; Coordinator of Nebraska Educational Leadership Institute, UNL-Gallup Sponsored, 2004-2006; educational consultant, Omaha Public Schools, 2000-2005; adjunct professor, EDAD Department, University of Nebraska at Omaha, 2001-2003; principal, Bryan Senior High School, Omaha Public Schools, 1987-2000; principal, Bryan Junior High School, Omaha Public Schools, 1983-1987; assistant principal, South High School, Omaha Public Schools, 1973-

1983; administrative assistant, South High School, Omaha Public Schools, 1972-1973; administrative intern, South High School, Omaha Public Schools, 1971-1972; teacher and coach, Central High School, Omaha Public Schools, 1967-1971. **Member:** University of Nebraska President's Advisory Council, 2001-2005; University of Nebraska at Kearney Alumni Association Board, 2003-2006; South Omaha Optimist Club (past president), 1983-present; chairman, Trinity United Methodist Church Administrative Board, 1982-present; president, board of directors, Nebraska High School Sports Hall of Fame, 1995-present. **Former member:** Phi Delta Kappa, 1990-2006; National Association of Secondary School Principals, 1982-2000; committee charter member, National Urban Schools, 1988; legislative chair, 1991, Nebraska Council School Administrators, 1983-2006; past president, Omaha School Administrators, 1971-2005; past president, Region II Administrators Association, 1975-2006; Metropolitan Community College Foundation Board, 2000-2004; board of directors, Wells Fargo Bank of Nebraska, 1991-2004; Sarpy County SAFE POLICY Executive Board, 1992-2000; past president, board of directors, Youth Emergency Services, 1976-1987; National Association Secondary School Principals Conferences, 1985-2000; Multicultural Non-Sexist Human Relations Course, 1997; Professional Organizational Enhancement Trainer, 1996-2003; teamed with Omaha Job Clearinghouse and National Center for Research in Vocational Education (NCRVE), 1992-1998; District Internet Training for Administrators, 1996-1998.

**Honors and awards:** Bryan High School Coaches Association Award for Excellence and Dedication to Student Athletes, 2005; South Omaha Optimist Sam Greenberg Award, 2001; Nebraska Council of School Administrators Distinguished Service Award, 2000; UNO Distinguished Alumni Award, 1999; National Milken Family Foundation Award, 1997; Nebraska Association of Secondary School Principals Distinguished Service Award, 1997; American G.I. Forum Veterans Family Organization Excellence in Education Award, 1997; Mayor of Omaha's Key to the City (Education Award), 1997; Omaha Public Schools Outstanding Principal of the Year, 1997; Omaha World Herald Award for WorkKeys and Omaha 2000, 1994. Republican.

## University of Nebraska Regents, 2015 (Cont'd.)

### ROBERT M. SCHAFER

### DISTRICT 5

**Home Address:** 2008 Elk St., Beatrice, NE 68310

**Appointed to University of Nebraska Board of**

**Regents:** March 20, 2013, to finish the unexpired term of Lavon L. Heidemann, who resigned; elected 2014

**Biography:** Born Jan. 27, 1968, in Pawnee City. Graduate of Pawnee City Public High School, 1986; University of Nebraska-Lincoln (B.S. in business administration), 1991; University of Nebraska College of Law (J.D.), 1996. Married Andrea R. Darling, June 19, 2004; two children: Brooklyn and Addison. Military service: staff judge advocate, Nebraska Air National Guard (2005-present); Nebraska Army National Guard (staff judge advocate, 2004-05; infantry, 1985-97); Kansas Army National Guard (staff judge advocate, 1997-2004). Attorney, farmer and military member. Former city attorney, Beatrice. **Member:** Air Force Association; American Legion Post 39; Beatrice Chamber of Commerce; Nebraska Cattlemen Association; board of directors, Nebraska Chamber of Commerce and Industry; Nebraska Farm Bureau Federation; president, Tri County Bar Association; University of Nebraska Alumni Association; St. John Church; United Service Organization. Republican.



### KENT A. SCHROEDER

### DISTRICT 6

**Home Address:** 2313 W. 42nd St., Kearney NE 68845-1230, phone (308) 237-9688, email address — [lawsoft@rsglaw.com](mailto:lawsoft@rsglaw.com)

**Elected to University of Nebraska Board of Regents:** 1998; re-elected 2004 and 2010 (chairman, 2002 and 2009; vice chairman, 2001 and 2008)

**Biography:** Born April 7, 1943, in Genoa. Graduate of Grand Island Senior High School, 1961; Iowa State University (B.S.), 1965; University of Nebraska College of Law (J.D.), 1968. Married Linda J. Wotherspoon, June 24, 1972; three children. Military service: pilot and captain, Nebraska Air National Guard. Attorney; certified mediator; licensed pilot and amateur radio operator. Former: Justice of the Peace. Admitted to the United States Supreme Court. **Member:** American Bar Association; Nebraska Bar Association; Kearney Chamber of Commerce (board of directors). **Former member:** board of directors, Good Samaritan Health System (chairman); board of directors, Sentinel Health Care; Kearney Cosmopolitan

Club (president); board of directors, Nebraska Association of Trial Attorneys; board of directors, Kearney Country Club; Central Community College Board; Kearney City Council (vice president), one term; Kearney School Board (president), two terms; board of directors, Nebraska Continuing Legal Education Inc. Republican.

## University of Nebraska Regents, 2015 (Cont'd.)

### BOB PHARES

### DISTRICT 7

**Home Address:** 608 Sequoia Ct. North Platte, Ne 69101, phone (308) 532 3290

**Office Address:** 320 McNeel Lane, North Platte, NE 69101, phone (308) 532-3180, email — [bphares@nebraska.edu](mailto:bphares@nebraska.edu)

**Appointed to University of Nebraska Board of Regents:** Aug. 5, 2006; elected 2006; re-elected 2010 (chairman, 2010; vice chairman, 2009 and 2014)

**Biography:** Born August 4, 1940 in Atlantic, Iowa. Graduate of North Platte High School, 1958; University of Nebraska at Kearney, with honors, 1962 (BA in Business Administration); graduate of American College, Bryn Mawr, Pa., with a Chartered Life Underwriter designation in 1968 and a Chartered Financial Consultant degree in 1989. President of Phares Financial Services. **Member:** board of deacons, First Baptist Church, (past church president); past president, past district governor, North Platte Rotary Club; past board chairman, North Platte Chamber of Commerce. **Former**

**member:** founding director, Great Plains Regional Medical Center Board (served 25 years, eight as board chair); Mid Plains Community College Foundation board; Mid-Nebraska Community Foundation Board; North Platte Development Corp board; United Way board; past state president, NAIFA; Mayor of North Platte, 1968-1976; past president, Nebraska League of Municipalities; past president, American Baptist Churches of Nebraska. **Honors and awards:** UNK Distinguished Service Award and Outstanding Alumni Award, 1984; honored by Million Dollar Round Table for 35 years of continuous membership and nine Court of the Table and two Top of the Table qualifications; North Platte Chamber of Commerce Hall of Fame; North Platte High School Distinguished Alumni Award. Republican.



### HAL DAUB

### DISTRICT 8

**Home Address:** 314 N. 97th Ct., Omaha, NE 68114, email — [hdaub@nebraska.edu](mailto:hdaub@nebraska.edu)

**Elected to University of Nebraska Board of Regents:** 2012

**Biography:** Born April 23, 1941, in Fayetteville, N.C. Graduate of Benson High School, 1959; Washington University (B.S. in business administration), 1963; University of Nebraska College of Law (J.D.), 1966. Married Mary Alice Mernin, Nov. 16, 1996; three children: Natalie Wilhelm, John Daub and Tammy Daub. Military service: captain, platoon leader, company commander, U.S. Army Infantry, Second Infantry Division, 1966-68. Practicing attorney and partner, Husch Blackwell LLP. Former: vice president and general counsel, Standard Chemical Manufacturing Co.; partner, Touche Ross and Deloitte; representative, U.S. Congress; Omaha mayor; president and CEO, American Healthcare Association.

**Member:** Alumni President's Council, Alpha Kappa Psi Professional Business Fraternity; Downtown Omaha Rotary

International; American Judicature Society; Nebraska State Bar Association; fellow, Nebraska State Bar Foundation; Omaha Bar Association; 33rd Degree Mason, Scottish Rite, Shrine, York Rite Mason, 1995; 40 & 8 Voiture 206; American Heart Association; American Legion Post 112; board member, Autism Action Partnership; vice chair, executive committee, trustee, Boy Scouts, Mid-America Council; Durham Western Heritage Museum; Eagles Aerie 154; board member, Fatherhood Family Initiative;

## University of Nebraska Regents, 2015 (Cont'd.)

### HAL DAUB

### DISTRICT 8 (CONT'D.)

Fontenelle Forrest Association; board of directors, Freedoms Foundation; Friend of the Scottish Rite, 2012; Henry Doorly Zoo; Humane Society and Friends Forever; Joslyn Castle; Kappa Sigma, Delta Theta Phi and Alpha Kappa Psi Alumni Associations; Madonna School for Exceptional Children; Multiple Sclerosis Society; Nebraska Lodge 1, York and Scottish Rite Masonic Orders; alumni associations, Nebraska University and Washington University; Optimist International; Performing Arts Society; elder, Presbyterian Church; gallon club, Red Cross; chair, Salvation Army Tree of Lights Campaign; Sister Cities Association; development committee, University of Nebraska at Omaha; Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 2503. **Former member:** American Health Care Association (president and chief executive, 2004-05); Association of Government Accountants; principal, Council on Excellence in Government; presidential appointee, National Advisory Commission on Public Service; Republican Mayors and Local Officials of the United States (president, 1995-2000); Air Force Association; national board chair, Community Health Charities of America; Friendship Force; board, Great Plains Black Museum; Nebraska Diplomats; national committee, Nebraska Republican Party; Reserve Officers Association; board, St. Peter Claver Cristo Rey High School; chair, United Way/CHAD Division. **Honors and awards:** Who's Who in America, 1981-present; Who's Who in American Politics, 1981-present; 2012 Distinguished Alumni Award, Washington University; 2012 and 2003 Citizen of the Year, Mid-America Boy Scout Council; 2011 Father of the Year, American Diabetes Association; 2005 Distinguished Nebraskan Award, Nebraska Society; 2005 Communication and Leadership Award, Toastmasters International; 2004 Humanitarian Award, Grand Masonic Lodges of Nebraska; 2004 Business Hall of Fame, Omaha Chamber of Commerce; Omaha Benson High School Hall of Fame; 2004 Silver Beaver Award; 2000 Distinguished Eagle Scout Award; Watchdog of the Treasury Award, National Associated Businessmen, 1981-89; Guardian of Small Business Award, National Federation of Independent Business, 1981-89; Peace Through Strength Award, U.S. Congress, 1981-89; 1985 Minuteman of the Year, Nebraska Reserve Officers; 1975 Outstanding Young Omahan, Jaycees; 1964 Outstanding Young Nebraskan. Republican.

## University of Nebraska Regents, 1869-2015

Samuel D. Beals <sup>1</sup> .....	1869-1871	John L. Teeters .....	1900-1906
David Butler <sup>1</sup> .....	1869-1871	Elisha C. Calkins.....	1902-1908
Champion S. Chase.....	1869-1875	Carl J. Ernst.....	1902-1908
William B. Dale.....	1869-1871	Charles S. Allen.....	1904-1917
David R. Dungan.....	1869-1875	William G. Whitmore.....	1904-1917
John C. Elliott.....	1869-1871	Frederick H. Abbott.....	1906-1909
Abel B. Fuller.....	1869-1873	Victor G. Lyford.....	1906-1919
Robert W. Furnas .....	1869-1873	Charles B. Anderson.....	1908-1915
	1873-1875 <sup>1</sup>	George Coupland.....	1908-1915
Fyfield H. Longley .....	1869-1875	Harvey E. Newbranch.....	1909
John B. Maxfield.....	1869-1875	Frank L. Haller .....	1910-1919
William G. Olinger.....	1869-1873	Edward P. Brown .....	1915-1921
Allen R. Benton <sup>1</sup> .....	1871-1876	John E. Miller.....	1915-1921
Uriah Bruner.....	1871-1876	Philip L. Hall.....	1917-1923
William H. James <sup>1</sup> .....	1871-1873	Harry D. Landis.....	1917-1929
Dwight McCann.....	1871-1873	Frank W. Judson.....	1919-1925
John M. McKenzie <sup>1</sup> .....	1871-1876	John R. Webster.....	1919-1931
William Adair.....	1873-1882	William L. Bates .....	1921-1927
James W. Savage.....	1873-1875	George N. Seymour.....	1921-1927
William D. Scott.....	1873-1875	William P. Warner.....	1923-1929
Benjamin Barrows.....	1875-1876	Earl Cline.....	1925-1937
Alexander Bear .....	1875-1876	Stanley D. Long .....	1927-1951
Silas Garber <sup>1</sup> .....	1875-1876	Frank J. Taylor.....	1927-1939
Charles A. Holmes.....	1875-1884	Fred A. Marsh.....	1929-1935
Edgar W. Hungerford.....	1875-1876	Marion A. Shaw.....	1929-1947
Samuel J. Tuttle.....	1875-1879	Arthur C. Stokes.....	1931-1940 <sup>2</sup>
Lebbius Fifield.....	1876-1884	Charles Y. Thompson.....	1935-1959
Joseph W. Gannett .....	1876-1884	R. W. Devoe .....	1937-1955
Seth P. Mobley .....	1876-1878	Frank M. Johnson .....	1939-1951
Newton R. Persinger .....	1878-1884		1955-1957 <sup>4</sup>
John L. Carson.....	1880-1881	Fred Thomas.....	1940 <sup>5</sup>
Isaac Powers.....	1882	William E. Reed.....	1940 <sup>6</sup> -1944 <sup>2</sup>
Charles H. Gere.....	1882-1892	Vincent C. Hascall.....	1944 <sup>7</sup> -1947 <sup>2</sup>
H. C. Meritt.....	1883	George Liggett.....	1947-1953
Jesse M. Hiatt.....	1883-1888	James LeRoy Welsh.....	1947 <sup>8</sup> -1967
Edward P. Holmes .....	1884-1888	Dwight P. Griswold.....	1951-1952 <sup>3</sup>
Milton J. Hull .....	1884-1890	Earle G. Johnson.....	1951-1957
Leavitt Burnham.....	1884-1892	J. G. Elliott.....	1952-1954 <sup>9</sup>
John T. Mallalieu.....	1884-1890		1957-1974 <sup>2</sup>
Byron B. Davis.....	1888-1894	B. N. Greenberg .....	1953-1971
George Roberts .....	1888-1894	Clarence E. Swanson .....	1955-1967
J. L. Knight.....	1890-1896	Frank O. Foote .....	1957-1963
Charles H. Morrill.....	1890-1902	Richard E. Adkins.....	1959-1971
Edwin A. Hadley.....	1892-1898	Val Peterson.....	1963-1966 <sup>3</sup>
Charles L. Marple.....	1892-1894	Robert Raun.....	1966-1981 <sup>10</sup>
Henry Estabrook.....	1894-1896	Edward Schwartzkopf.....	1967-1985
Charles W. Kaley .....	1894-1898	Richard L. Herman .....	1967-1970 <sup>3</sup>
Charles Weston.....	1894-1900	Kermit R. Hansen.....	1970-1991 <sup>11</sup>
H. L. Good.....	1896-1902	Robert Prokop.....	1971-1983
Victor Rosewater.....	1896-1897	Kermit Wagner.....	1971-1983
Thomas Rawlins.....	1897-1900	Robert Koefoot.....	1971-1989
George F. Kenower.....	1898-1904	James H. Moylan .....	1971-1989
E. Von Forell.....	1898-1904	Camille Elliott.....	1974-1975 <sup>12</sup>
Edson P. Rich.....	1900-1906	Robert G. Simmons Jr.....	1975-1987

## University of Nebraska Regents, 1896-2015 (Cont'd.)

John W. Payne .....	1981-1999	Kent A. Schroeder .....	1999-
Margaret Robinson .....	1983-1995	Randolph M. Ferlic .....	2001-2013
Nancy DeLong Hoch .....	1983-1995	James E. McClurg .....	2002 <sup>14</sup> -2013
Donald C. Fricke .....	1985-1991	Howard L. Hawks .....	2003-
Robert M. Allen .....	1989-2001	Dave Hergert .....	2005-2006 <sup>15</sup>
Rosemary M. Skrupa .....	1989-2001	Bob Phares .....	2006 <sup>16</sup> -
Nancy L. O'Brien .....	1991-2003	Bob Whitehouse .....	2007-
Gerald E. "Jay" Matzke Jr. ....	2001-2002 <sup>13</sup>	Tim Clare .....	2009-
Don S. Blank .....	1987-2005	Hal Daub .....	2013-
Charles S. Wilson .....	1991-2008	Lavon L. Heidemann .....	2013 <sup>17</sup>
Chuck Hassebrook .....	1995-2013	Jim Pillen .....	2013-
Drew Miller .....	1995-2007	Robert M. Schafer .....	2013 <sup>18</sup> -

<sup>1</sup> Ex officio.

<sup>2</sup> Died while in office.

<sup>3</sup> Resigned.

<sup>4</sup> Elected to finish the term of Dwight Griswold, who resigned.

<sup>5</sup> Served from death of Dr. Arthur C. Stokes until the general election of November 1940, when William E. Reed was elected to finish the term. Reed was elected to a full term in November 1942.

<sup>6</sup> Elected to finish term of Arthur C. Stokes, who died. Elected to full term in November 1942. Died in 1944.

<sup>7</sup> Appointed in 1944 to finish the term of William E. Reed, who died. Hascall died in 1947.

<sup>8</sup> Appointed after Vincent C. Hascall died in 1947 to finish term. Elected to full term in November 1948.

<sup>9</sup> Appointed upon resignation of Dwight Griswold until the general election of November 1954, when Frank M. Johnson was elected to finish the term.

<sup>10</sup> Appointed Jan. 11, 1966, to finish the unexpired term of Val Peterson, who resigned.

<sup>11</sup> Appointed Dec. 21, 1970, to finish the unexpired term of Richard L. Herman, who resigned; elected to the board in 1972.

<sup>12</sup> Appointed April 13, 1974, to finish the unexpired term of J.G. Elliott, who died.

<sup>13</sup> Resigned.

<sup>14</sup> Appointed April 3, 2002, to finish the unexpired term of Gerald E. Matzke Jr., who resigned. Elected to full term in November 2006.

<sup>15</sup> Removed from office July 7, 2006, after the Nebraska Supreme Court convicted him of two impeachable offenses relating to campaign finance violations.

<sup>16</sup> Appointed Aug. 5, 2006, to finish the unexpired term of Dave Hergert, who was removed from office. Elected to full term in November 2006.

<sup>17</sup> Resigned.

<sup>18</sup> Appointed March 20, 2013, to finish the unexpired term of Lavon L. Heidemann, who resigned. Elected to full term in November 2014.

## Nebraska Wheat Board

**Office Address:** 301 Centennial Mall South, Fourth Floor, P.O. Box 94912, Lincoln, NE 68509-4912, phone (402) 471-2358, fax (402) 471-3446, email address — wheat.board@nebraska.gov, website — www.nebraskawheat.com

**Executive Director:** Royce Schaneman

**Statutory Reference:** 2-2302

The Nebraska Wheat Board was created to protect and foster the economic health of the state's wheat producing areas and wheat economy stated as public policy under the Nebraska Wheat Resources Act. This public policy guides the wheat board in establishing its overall policy, annual marketing plan, goals and objectives and program priorities. The board also evaluates wheat market developments worldwide to meet these goals.

The board takes actions to strengthen the position of Nebraska wheat growers and the Nebraska wheat industry by working in research, international marketing, domestic marketing, education, promotion and federal policy.

Foreign wheat markets are developed and export sales promoted through U.S. Wheat Associates, a partnership of the board and 18 other state wheat commissions, which has 17 U.S. wheat promotion offices throughout the world, and through Plains Grains, Inc., an organization of hard red winter wheat growing plains states. The board works with organizations such as the Wheat Foods Council and the Grain Foods Foundation to educate consumers about the nutritional value of whole wheat to a healthy diet. The board also invests resources with the Wheat Quality Council and the Nebraska Wheat Growers Association to educate producers on high quality end-use varieties and production practices in order to increase profitability and sustainability. By cooperating with the National Association of Wheat Growers, the board is able to address various wheat quality and trade issues as well as the development of transgenic traits in wheat production, particularly as they relate to federal policy.

The board contracts with the University of Nebraska's Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources wheat breeding team for research on wheat variety improvement in both the hard red and hard white winter wheat varieties. Additional research to combat diseases that affect wheat crop yields and to examine the benefits of biotechnology also is funded. Improving the quality of Nebraska's wheat crop enhances the crop's appeal in foreign markets and increases export opportunities.

The board's programs are financed solely by the state's checkoff of 0.4 percent of the net value of the wheat, assessed on all wheat marketed in the state at the point of first sale.

The board consists of seven wheat growers, including one at-large member and representatives of Nebraska's six districts, who are appointed by the governor to five-year terms. Members must be Nebraska residents, be at least 21 years old, have been growing wheat in the state for at least five years and derive a substantial portion of their income from growing wheat.

The board's nonvoting members are the director of the Nebraska Department of Agriculture and the vice chancellor of the Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources. The board meets at least once every three months. Members are entitled to expenses while attending board meetings or while performing official responsibilities as determined by the board.

<b>Member</b>	<b>Represents</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Robert Delsing, Hemingford .....	District 1 .....	June 30, 2019
Larry Flohr, Chappell .....	District 3 .....	June 30, 2017
Von Johnson, Cambridge.....	District 5 .....	June 30, 2015
Rick Larson, Potter .....	District 2 .....	June 30, 2018
Kent Lorens, Stratton .....	District 4 .....	June 30, 2016
Brent Robertson, Elsie .....	At Large.....	June 30, 2015
Steve Wiese, Wilber .....	District 6 .....	June 30, 2019
Jeff Noel, Lincoln.....	Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources .....	Nonvoting
Greg Ibach, Lincoln.....	Department of Agriculture.....	Nonvoting

# OTHER STATE GOVERNMENTAL BODIES

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This section includes miscellaneous boards, commissions, committees, councils, authorities and quasi-governmental bodies and bodies with members from more than one branch of state government. None of these entities are full-fledged state agencies, but they have a degree of independence that keeps them from being classified within any department or agency. All statutory references in this section indicate the location in the Revised Statutes of Nebraska where each governmental body was created, unless otherwise indicated.

## State Anatomical Board

**Contact Person:** Dr. Margaret Jergenson, Board President, Department of Biomedical Sciences, Creighton University School of Medicine, 2500 California St., Omaha, NE 68178, phone (402) 280-2542, fax (402) 280-2690

**Statutory Reference:** 71-1001

The State Anatomical Board acquires, prepares, stores and disburses human cadavers to Nebraska schools of medicine, dentistry and allied health.

The seven-member board includes the following members:

- the anatomy department chairpersons of Creighton University and the University of Nebraska Medical Center (UNMC) or their designees
- anatomy professors appointed by the anatomy department chairpersons of Creighton University and UNMC
- anatomy professors appointed from the Creighton University and University of Nebraska dental colleges
- a member of the public appointed by the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services Regulation and Licensure

### Member

### Position

Vimla Band, Omaha .....	Department of Cell Biology and Anatomy, University of Nebraska Medical Center
Diane Cullen, Omaha .....	Department of Biomedical Sciences, Creighton University School of Medicine
Stan Harn, Lincoln.....	College of Dentistry, University of Nebraska
Margaret Jergenson, Omaha.....	School of Dentistry, Creighton University
Carol Lomneth, Omaha .....	Department of Cell Biology and Anatomy, University of Nebraska Medical Center
Nancy Phillips, Omaha.....	Member of Public
Deniz Yilmazer-Hanke, Omaha.....	Department of Biomedical Sciences, Creighton University School of Medicine

## Nebraska Aquaculture Board

**Contact Person:** Steve Martin, Agriculture Promotion Coordinator, Nebraska Department of Agriculture, 301 Centennial Mall South, Fourth Floor, P.O. Box 94947, Lincoln, NE 68509-4947, phone (402) 471-4876, email address — [steve.martin@nebraska.gov](mailto:steve.martin@nebraska.gov)

**Statutory Reference:** 2-5003

The Nebraska Aquaculture Board was created to increase stocks of fish and other aquatic life in the state. The board works to encourage the practice of aquaculture in order to promote agricultural diversity, augment food supplies, expand employment opportunities and promote economic activity.

The board consists of one employee of the Game and Parks Commission who is familiar with aquatic disease, appointed by the secretary of the commission, and one employee of the Department of Agriculture appointed by the director. The governor appoints three aquaculturists and a representative of an industry or product which is related to or used in aquaculture. Members serve three-year terms, except for the initial aquaculturist members of the board, whose appointments are staggered so that one member is appointed for a one-year term, one for a two-year term and one for a three-year term, as determined by the governor.

Member	Represents	Term Expires
Ronald Bright, Bridgeport.....	Aquaculturist.....	July 1, 2017
Brian Hahle, McCook.....	Aquaculturist.....	July 1, 2016
Rich Lackaff, Bassett.....	Aquaculturist.....	July 1, 2015
Steve Martin, Lincoln.....	Department of Agriculture.....	July 1, 2017
William Murray, Broadwater.....	Aquaculturist.....	July 1, 2017
Dean Rosenthal, Lincoln.....	Game and Parks Commission.....	July 1, 2017

## Board of State Canvassers

**Contact Person:** John A. Gale, Secretary of State, Suite 2300, State Capitol, P.O. Box 94608, Lincoln, NE 68509-4608, phone (402) 471-2554, fax (402) 471-3237

**Statutory Reference:** 32-1037

The Board of State Canvassers certifies the votes of certain offices and issues cast at each statewide primary and general election and orders recounts if necessary. The board canvasses the votes for president; U.S. Senate; U.S. House of Representatives; state constitutional officers; Nebraska Legislature; Public Service Commission; University of Nebraska Board of Regents; State Board of Education; public power district boards; community college boards; natural resources district boards; reclamation district boards; educational service unit boards; learning community coordinating councils; retention of judges; constitutional amendments; and initiatives and referendums.

The board consists of the governor, secretary of state, auditor of public accounts, state treasurer and attorney general. The board meets on the fourth Monday after each statewide primary and general election. The present canvassing system was established by legislation in 1955.

<b>Member</b>	<b>Position</b>
Douglas J. Peterson, Lincoln.....	Attorney General
Charlie Janssen, Fremont.....	Auditor of Public Accounts
John A. Gale, Lincoln.....	Secretary of State
Pete Ricketts, Lincoln/Omaha.....	Governor
Don Stenberg, Lincoln.....	Treasurer

## Nebraska Capitol Commission

**Contact Person:** Robert C. Ripley, Capitol Administrator, Office of the Nebraska Capitol Commission, State Capitol, Seventh Floor, Lincoln, NE 68509-4696, phone (402) 471-6691

**Statutory Reference:** 81-1108.32

The Nebraska Capitol Commission advises and votes on recommendations from the Office of the Capitol Commission regarding the following:

- policies and guidelines for the proper conservation, restoration, enhancement and interpretation of the State Capitol and its furnishings and grounds
- policies and guidelines for the use of the Capitol’s preservation and adaptive-use spaces, including adoption of a document of standards
- facilities planning, construction, administration and documentation
- maintenance of the State Capitol and grounds
- participation with the Capitol Environs Commission on related projects

The 1949 Legislature changed the original Capitol Commission to the State Building Commission. The Building Commission membership was altered by the 1965 Legislature and again in 1974 when the Legislature designated the body as advisory. The 2004 Legislature changed the name back to the Capitol Commission and altered the membership to include representation from the legislative and judicial branches. The governor chairs the commission. Other ex officio members include the speaker of the Legislature, the Chief Justice of the Nebraska Supreme Court, the dean of the College of Architecture at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln and the director of the Nebraska State Historical Society. Three other Nebraska residents are appointed by the governor, representing each of the three congressional districts. The appointed members serve staggered three-year terms. The commission meets quarterly.

The capitol administrator serves the commission as a nonvoting secretary.

<b>Members</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Jim Cudaback, Riverdale.....	3rd Congressional District.....	April 15, 2011
Stanley Meradith, Omaha.....	2nd Congressional District.....	April 15, 2013
Bryce P. Neidig, Madison.....	1st Congressional District.....	April 15, 2012
Sen. Galen Hadley, Kearney.....	Speaker of the Legislature.....	Nonexpiring
Michael Heavican, Lincoln.....	Nebraska Supreme Court Chief Justice.....	Nonexpiring
Pete Ricketts, Lincoln/Omaha (Chair).....	Governor.....	Nonexpiring
Michael Smith, Lincoln.....	Nebraska State Historical Society.....	Nonexpiring
Kim Wilson, Lincoln.....	College of Architecture Dean.....	Nonexpiring

## Nebraska State Capitol Environs Commission

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**Statutory Reference:** 90-306

The Nebraska State Capitol Environs Commission is a joint City of Lincoln and State of Nebraska body that protects the setting of the Nebraska State Capitol. The commission also creates design standards for architectural and urban design changes and oversees improvements within the Capitol Environs District. The commission meets monthly.

Two commission members are appointed by the governor, and five are appointed by the mayor and city council of Lincoln. Members serve three-year terms. Ex officio members include the following officials or their designees: the city of Lincoln planning director, the city of Lincoln parks and recreation director, and the director of the state Department of Administrative Services.

Member	Represents	Term Expires
Christie Dionisopoulos, Lincoln.....	Mayor's Appointee.....	Jan. 9, 2015
John Kay, Lincoln .....	Mayor's Appointee.....	Jan. 9, 2016
Tom Laging, Lincoln .....	Mayor's Appointee.....	Jan. 9, 2016
Karen Nalow, Lincoln .....	Mayor's Appointee.....	Jan. 9, 2017
Jeffrey N. Searcy, Lincoln.....	Governor's Appointee .....	Apr. 15, 2016
Cecil Steward, Lincoln.....	Mayor's Appointee.....	Jan. 9, 2015
Jon Weinberg, Lincoln.....	Governor's Appointee .....	April 15, 2017
Lynn Johnson, Lincoln.....	Lincoln Parks and Recreation.....	Ex Officio
Marvin Krout, Lincoln.....	Lincoln/Lancaster County Planning Department.....	Ex Officio
Robert C. Ripley, Lincoln.....	State of Nebraska.....	Ex Officio

## Child Support Advisory Commission

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**Statutory Reference:** 43-3342.05

The duties of the Child Support Advisory Commission include reviewing the child support guidelines adopted by the Nebraska Supreme Court and recommending changes, if appropriate. The commission presents reports of its activities and recommendations to the Supreme Court and the Executive Board of the Legislative Council. The Supreme Court reviews the commission's report and may amend the child support guidelines based upon the commission's recommendations.

The Executive Board of the Legislative Council manages and administers the commission. Members include two district court judges whose jurisdiction includes domestic relations; one member of the Nebraska Bar Association who practices primarily in the area of domestic relations; one county attorney who works in child support; one professional who works in the field of economics, mathematics or another field of expertise relevant to child support; one custodial parent who has a court order to receive child

support; one noncustodial parent who is under a support order to pay child support; the chairperson of the Legislature's Judiciary Committee, who serves as chairperson of the commission; and the chairperson of the Legislature's Health and Human Services Committee. The state treasurer, the state court administrator and the director of the Title IV-D division or their designees serve as ex officio members.

Every four years the Supreme Court notifies the Executive Board of its intent to review the child support guidelines pursuant to state law. The Supreme Court and the Executive Board then make appointments to fill the commission's membership. Members are not paid but are reimbursed for their expenses.

## Nebraska Children's Commission

**Contact Person:** Kim B. Hawekotte, Executive Director, Nebraska Foster Care Review Office, 521 S. 14th St., Suite 401, Lincoln, NE 68508, phone (402) 430-6599, website — [www.childrens.nebraska.gov](http://www.childrens.nebraska.gov)

**Statutory Reference:** 43-4202

The Nebraska Children's Commission was created by the 2012 Legislature with the passage of LB821. The commission was created to develop a statewide strategic plan to reform Nebraska's child welfare system and to review the Department of Health and Human Services' operations regarding child welfare programs and services.

The commission also oversees committees created by the same legislation to examine state policy regarding prescription of psychotropic drugs to state wards and to examine the structure and responsibilities of the Office of Juvenile Services. The commission may create additional committees as it deems necessary.

In 2013, the Legislature passed LB269, which moved the commission for administrative purposes from the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services to the Foster Care Review Office. LB269 also added three new members to the commission.

Seventeen members of the commission, who are appointed by the governor, represent a variety of private sector stakeholders in the child welfare system. The commission also includes the director of the Foster Care Review Office and nonvoting, ex officio representatives from all three branches of government.

The committee meets at least once every three months and will terminate in June 2016, unless continued by the Legislature. Members are reimbursed for their expenses.

Member	Represents	Term Expires
Pam Allen, Aurora.....	Foster Parent.....	June 30, 2016
Teresa Anderson, Hastings.....	Central Service Area.....	June 30, 2016
Karen Authier, Omaha.....	Child Welfare Service Agency.....	June 30, 2016
Beth Baxter, Kearney.....	Regional Administrator.....	June 30, 2016
Holly Brandt, Scottsbluff.....	Western Service Area.....	June 30, 2016
Jennifer Clark, Omaha.....	Juvenile Court Prosecutor.....	June 30, 2016
Candy Kennedy-Goergen, Upland.....	Biological Parent.....	June 30, 2016
Gene Klein, Omaha.....	Child Advocacy Center Director.....	June 30, 2016
Norman Langemach, Lincoln.....	Guardian Ad Litem.....	June 30, 2016
Andrea Miller, Bayard.....	Federally Recognized Indian Tribe.....	June 30, 2016
David Newell, Omaha.....	Eastern Service Area.....	June 30, 2016
Debra O'Brien, Lincoln.....	Local Board.....	June 30, 2016

Mary Jo Pankoke, Lincoln.....	Child Advocacy Organization .....	June 30, 2016
Dale Shotkoski, Fremont.....	Northern Service Area.....	June 30, 2016
Susan Staab, Lincoln.....	Southeast Service Area .....	June 30, 2016
Diana Tedrow, Bennington.....	Former State Ward .....	June 30, 2016
Vacant .....	CASA Volunteer .....	June 30, 2016
Joseph Acierno, Lincoln.....	Department of Health and Human Services .....	Ex Officio
Ellen Brokofsky, Lincoln .....	State Court Administrator Designee .....	Ex Officio
Sen. Kathy Campbell, Lincoln .....	Health and Human Services Committee .....	Ex Officio
Sen. Colby Coash, Lincoln.....	Judiciary Committee.....	Ex Officio
Tom Green, Lincoln.....	Acting Director Children and Family Services.....	Ex Officio
Kim Hawekotte, Omaha.....	Director, Foster Care Review Office.....	Ex Officio
Sen. Heath Mello, Omaha.....	Appropriations Committee.....	Ex Officio
Linda Porter, Lincoln.....	State Court Administrator Designee .....	Ex Officio
Julie Rogers, Lincoln.....	Inspector General of Nebraska Child Welfare .....	Ex Officio
Vicky Weisz, Lincoln .....	State Court Administrator Designee .....	Ex Officio

## State Claims Board

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**Statutory Reference:** 81-8,220

The State Claims Board conducts public hearings periodically to hear and decide tort, miscellaneous and contract claims filed against any state agency. Tort claims against the state must be filed with the board prior to filing in state district court. The board is part of the state Risk Management Program.<sup>1</sup>

Members are the director of insurance, the director of administrative services and the commissioner of labor. By law, the attorney general is the board's legal advisor.

### Member

	Position
John Albin, Lincoln .....	Commissioner of Labor
Larry Bare, Lincoln.....	Acting Director of Administrative Services
Bruce Range, Omaha .....	Director of Insurance

## Climate Assessment Response Committee

**Contact Person:** Bobbie Kriz-Wickham, Assistant Director, Nebraska Department of Agriculture, 301 Centennial Mall South, Fourth Floor, P.O. Box 94947, Lincoln, NE 68509-4947, phone (402) 471-2341, website — [www.carc.nebraska.gov](http://www.carc.nebraska.gov)

**Statutory Reference:** 2-4901

The 1992 Legislature created the Climate Assessment Response Committee to:

- collect and analyze data about drought and other severe climate occurrences and disseminate information to the governor and others
- answer questions and provide advice about requests for federal disaster declarations and the use of funds or other assistance that become available because of a declaration

<sup>1</sup> For more information about the Risk Management and State Claims Division in the state Department of Administrative Services, see Page 447.

- establish criteria for the startup and shutdown of assessment and response activities by state and federal agencies during droughts and other climate-related emergencies
- define the responsibilities of all agencies during droughts and climate-related emergencies, and maintain an inventory of those responsibilities
- work to improve the methods of assessing the effects of drought on agriculture and industry

The committee is composed of representatives appointed by the governor, with legislative approval, from livestock producers, crop producers, the Nebraska Emergency Management Agency and the Conservation and Survey Division and Cooperative Extension Service of the University of Nebraska. Ex officio members are the director of the state Department of Agriculture or his or her designee, the chief executive officer of the state Department of Health and Human Services or his or her designee and the director of the state Department of Natural Resources or his or her designee. Chairpersons of the Legislature’s Agriculture and Natural Resources committees are nonvoting, ex officio members of the committee. The governor may appoint a member of the Governor’s Policy Research Office. Representatives from the federal Consolidated Farm Service Agency or any other federal or state agency also may serve on the committee at the invitation of the governor.

The committee meets twice annually, but it may convene at the call of the chairperson, on request of a majority of members, or during periods of drought or other severe weather situations. Members are not paid but are reimbursed for expenses.

<b>Member</b>	<b>Represents</b>
Jeremiah Blake, Lincoln.....	Governor’s Policy Research Office
Barb Cooksley, Anselmo.....	Livestock Producer
Jack Daniel, Lincoln.....	Nebraska Health and Human Services
Merwin Fricke, Ayr.....	Crop Producer
Michael Hayes, Lincoln.....	National Drought Mitigation Center
Chuck Hibberd, Lincoln.....	University of Nebraska-Lincoln Extension
Sen. Jerry Johnson, Wahoo.....	Chairperson, Agriculture Committee
Bobbie Kriz-Wickham, Lincoln.....	Nebraska Department of Agriculture
Mark Kuzila, Lincoln.....	University of Nebraska-Lincoln School of Natural Resources
Sen. Ken Schilz, Ogallala.....	Chairperson, Natural Resources Committee
Jim Schneider, Lincoln.....	Nebraska Department of Natural Resources
Bryan Tuma, Lincoln.....	Nebraska Emergency Management Agency

## Nebraska Community College Student Performance and Occupational Education Grant Committee

**Contact Person:** Gary Timm, Chief Finance and Administrative Officer, Nebraska Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education, 140 N. 8th St., Suite 300, Lincoln, NE 68509-5005, phone (402) 471-0020, email address — gary.timm@nebraska.gov

**Statutory Reference:** 85-1539

The Nebraska Community College Student Performance and Occupational Education Grant Committee oversees state funds appropriated by the Legislature to the Nebraska Community College Student Performance and Occupational Education Grant Fund. The fund provides grants to community colleges for applied technology and oc-

cupational faculty training, instructional equipment upgrades, employee assessment, pre-employment training, employment training and dislocated worker programs benefiting the State of Nebraska. Grants also are available for programs or activities to enhance student performance in degree, certificate or diploma completion, retention or foundations education or the collection, reporting, analysis and utilization of student data.

The seven-member committee consists of one representative each from the Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education, Department of Economic Development, Department of Labor and Department of Education, as well as three representatives from the community college areas appointed to two-year terms.

Member	Represents	Term Expires
John Blaylock, Norfolk.....	Northeast Community College.....	2015
Bill Owen, Omaha .....	Metropolitan Community College .....	2015
Jody Tomanek, North Platte .....	Mid-Plains Community College .....	2015
Dan J. Curran, Lincoln .....	Department of Economic Development.....	Nonexpiring
Donna Hoffman, Lincoln.....	Department of Education .....	Nonexpiring
Joan Tomarek, Lincoln.....	Department of Labor.....	Nonexpiring
Gary Timm, Lincoln.....	Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education .....	Nonexpiring

## Board of Examiners for County Highway and City Street Superintendents

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**Statutory Reference:** 39-2304

The Board of Examiners for County Highway and City Street Superintendents tests and licenses local officials, or their agents charged with overseeing the construction, maintenance and operation of county roads and municipal streets. Registered professional engineers are licensed by equivalency for the Class B entry level license; all other applicants for the Class B license must pass an examination, which is administered twice yearly. Experienced licensees may apply for a Class A license which requires professional development hours for renewal. Licensing promotes competency in local planning and administration as part of a policy enacted in 1969 to provide efficient management, operation and control of an integrated system of state and local highways, roads and streets.

The board's seven members serve four-year terms and are appointed by the Governor. All must be licensed county highway or city street superintendents. Four members represent counties of various populations. Three represent municipalities of various populations, one from each congressional district. The Department of Roads' Liaison Services Section provides administrative support.

Member	Represents	Term Expires
Kent H. Anderson, Paxton.....	Class 1 County.....	Oct. 27, 2017
Russell L. Daehling, Staplehurst .....	Class 4 County.....	Oct. 27, 2015

David A. Goedeken, Omaha.....	First Class City, District 1.....	Oct. 27, 2017
James. K. McDonald, David City.....	Second Class City, District 3.....	Oct. 27, 2011
Thomas F. McDonald, Bennington.....	Class 7 County.....	Oct. 27, 2017
Scott D. McIntyre, Omaha.....	Metropolitan Class City, District 2.....	Oct. 27, 2017
Timothy Ryan, Keystone.....	Class 2 County.....	Oct. 27, 2015

## Nebraska Economic Forecasting Advisory Board

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**Statutory Reference:** 77-27,156

The Nebraska Economic Forecasting Advisory Board was created in 1984 to act as an advisory body to the governor and the Legislature for state general fund revenue projections. The board develops a consensus projection of the state's economic activity as it relates to the general fund revenue derived for existing state tax rates.

The board consists of nine members. Five are appointed by and serve at the pleasure of the Executive Board of the Legislative Council. The other four members are appointed by the governor and serve at the governor's pleasure. Members must demonstrate expertise in tax policy, economics or economic forecasting. Appointees serve four-year terms.

The board meets in February, April and October in odd-numbered years and in February and October in even-numbered years. Members are not paid but are reimbursed for their expenses.

Member	Appointed By	Term Expires
Leslie Andersen, Bennington.....	Governor.....	Sept. 26, 2018
Gerald A. Conway, Wayne.....	Legislative Council.....	Sept. 26, 2016
Jerome A. Deichert, Omaha.....	Governor.....	Sept. 26, 2018
Steven L. Ferris, Lincoln.....	Governor.....	Sept. 26, 2018
Thomas Henning, Kearney.....	Governor.....	Sept. 26, 2018
Fred Lockwood, Scottsbluff.....	Legislative Council.....	Sept. 26, 2016
Richard McGinnis, Lexington.....	Legislative Council.....	Sept. 26, 2016
David A. Ochsner, Geneva.....	Legislative Council.....	Sept. 26, 2016
Tonn M. Ostergard, Crete.....	Legislative Council.....	Sept. 26, 2016

## Nebraska Educational, Health and Social Services

### Finance Authority

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**Statutory Reference:** 58-801

The Nebraska Educational, Health and Social Services Finance Authority helps Nebraska's not-for-profit colleges, universities, healthcare facilities and social service agencies build, finance and refinance capital improvement projects by issuing tax-exempt

bonds on their behalf. Bond indebtedness is solely a liability of the not-for-profit entity and not an obligation of the authority. The authority also finances cash flow needs based on anticipated tuition revenues. The authority has statutory authorization to issue bonds to fund educational assistance loan programs, but no such bonds have been issued to date.

The authority has seven members, appointed by the governor to four-year terms. At least one member must have knowledge and experience in public accounting, one member must have knowledge in educational building construction, one member must be an officer of a Nebraska private college or university, one member must have knowledge and experience in the field of finance, one member must have knowledge and experience in the field of health care and one member must have knowledge and experience in the field of social service agencies. No more than four members may belong to the same political party. Members are not paid but are reimbursed for expenses.

Member	Position	Term Expires
Lowell Berg, Lincoln (D) <sup>2</sup>	Construction	Dec. 31, 2013
Jane Erdenberger, Omaha (D)	Education	Dec. 31, 2015
Paul Powers, Hastings (R)	Public Accounting	Dec. 31, 2013
Rick Spalding, Fremont (R)	Finance	Dec. 31, 2016
Maryanne Stevens, Omaha (D)	College Officer	Dec. 31, 2014
Cori Vokoun, Lincoln (R)	Construction	Dec. 31, 2016
James Watts, Lincoln (R)	Public Accounting	Dec. 31, 2015

## Nebraska Elementary and Secondary School Finance Authority

**Contact Person:** Farrah Hoffmeyer, Legal Assistant, Gilmore and Bell, P.C., Wells Fargo Center, 1248 O St., Suite 710, Lincoln, NE 68508-1424, phone (402) 474-5000

**Statutory Reference:** 79-1810

The 1997 Legislature created the Nebraska Elementary and Secondary School Finance Authority to help private elementary and secondary schools in the constructing, financing and refinancing of projects involving educational facilities. The authority may issue and refund bonds and may make loans to schools to finance the cost of projects.

The authority has five members appointed by the governor to four-year terms. No more than three members can be from the same political party. Members are not paid but are reimbursed for expenses.

Member	Term Expires
Barry Ballou, Hastings (D) <sup>2</sup>	Dec. 31, 2016
Michael F. Masek, Omaha (R)	Dec. 31, 2014
Thomas J. Purcell III, Omaha (D)	Dec. 31, 2016
Doris Robertson, Lincoln (R)	Dec. 31, 2014
James J. Tichota, Omaha (R)	Dec. 31, 2014

<sup>2</sup>Political party affiliation: D=Democrat; R=Republican; I=Independent.

## Environmental Trust Board

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**Statutory Reference:** 81-15,167

The Nebraska Environmental Trust Act of 1992 authorized a portion of proceeds from the state lottery to be placed in a fund “for the purpose of conserving, enhancing and restoring the natural, physical and biological environment of the state.” After voters approved the lottery in November 1992, legislation governing the lottery and distribution of proceeds was re-enacted in 1993 under LB138.

Forty-four and one-half percent of lottery proceeds are put into the Environmental Trust Fund after prizes and operating expenses are paid for and the first \$500,000 of proceeds are paid to the Compulsive Gamblers’ Assistance Fund.

The 14-member Environmental Trust Board manages the Environmental Trust Fund and carries out the goals of the trust. The board leverages private funds to support short- and long-term environmental goals and provides funding for proposals according to the priorities of habitat, surface and groundwater, recycling and waste management, air quality and soil management.

The re-enacting legislation specified that land easements obtained through the trust fund may be acquired only on a willing-seller basis.

Board membership includes nine members of the public appointed by the governor, with legislative approval, to six-year terms. Other members include the directors of the Department of Agriculture, Department of Environmental Quality, Department of Natural Resources, Department of Health and Human Services Regulation and Licensure and Game and Parks Commission. Three appointees are chosen from each congressional district. Each citizen member must have demonstrated experience and interest in the state’s environment, and at least two citizen members must have experience in private financing of public-purpose projects. The Game and Parks Commission provides administrative support to the board through contract.

The board meets at least four times a year. Members are not paid but are reimbursed for expenses.

Member	Represents	Term Expires
Barbara Batie, Lexington.....	District 3 .....	March 10, 2015
Henry “Rick” Brandt, Lincoln.....	District 1 .....	March 10, 2019
Rodney Christen, Steinauer .....	District 1 .....	March 10, 2015
Paul Dunn, Omaha .....	District 2, Finance Experience .....	March 10, 2017
Gloria Erickson, Holdrege .....	District 3 .....	March 10, 2017
Robert Krohn, Omaha .....	District 2, Finance Experience .....	March 10, 2015
Gerry Lauritzen, Omaha.....	District 2, Finance Experience .....	March 10, 2019
Kevin Peterson, Osceola.....	District 1, Finance Experience .....	March 10, 2017
Sherry Vinton, Whitman.....	District 3 .....	March 10, 2019
Joseph Acierno, Omaha.....	Department of HHS.....	Nonexpiring
Jim Douglas, Lincoln.....	Director, Game and Parks Commission.....	Nonexpiring
Jim Schneider, Lincoln.....	Acting Director, Department of Natural Resources.....	Nonexpiring

Greg Ibach, Lincoln.....	Director, Department of Agriculture .....	Nonexpiring
Pat Rice, Lincoln .....	Acting Director, Department of Environmental Quality.....	Nonexpiring

## Nebraska State Fair Board

**Contact Person:** Joseph McDermott, Executive Director, Nebraska State Fair Board, P.O. Box 1387, Grand Island, NE 68802-1387, phone (308) 382-1620, fax (308) 384-1555, website — [www.statefair.org](http://www.statefair.org)

**Statutory Reference:** 2-101

A law passed by the 2002 Legislature created the Nebraska State Fair Board to manage the state fair, a duty previously performed by the State Board of Agriculture. The new board also promotes training and competition for youth interested in agriculture, horticulture, science, industry, mechanics, arts and skilled crafts.

Nebraska City hosted the first state fair in 1859 and two others in 1868 and 1869. An 1879 act made the state fair an annual event and prescribed the State Board of Agriculture’s duties. In 2008, the Legislature passed LB1116, moving the state fair to Grand Island.

The board’s annual meeting is held in Grand Island during odd-numbered years and in a location of the board’s choice during even-numbered years. The board’s 13 members consist of:

- seven members elected by county fair districts
- four members appointed by the governor, with three representing the three congressional districts and one representing the Grand Island business community
- two ex officio members: the executive director of the Nebraska Future Farmers of America and the state 4-H program administrator of the Cooperative Extension Service, University of Nebraska-Lincoln

Terms for the seven members representing county fair districts are staggered so that elections are held annually.

Member	Represents	Term Expires
Doug Brand, Seward.....	District 1.....	January 2015
Mark Fahleson, Lincoln .....	Business Community, Lincoln.....	December 2016
Chris Kircher, Omaha .....	Business Community, Omaha .....	December 2015
Jana Kruger, Arlington.....	District 2.....	January 2016
Ed Kruse, Kimball.....	District 6.....	January 2016
Dan Kunemann, Imperial.....	District 4.....	January 2015
William Marshall III, Grand Island.....	Business Community, Grand Island.....	December 2017
Lowell Minert, Dunning .....	Business Community, At Large.....	December 2015
Chuck Rolf, Albion.....	District 3.....	January 2015
Marvin Rousey, North Platte.....	District 5.....	January 2017
Kirk Shane, Atkinson .....	District 7.....	January 2017
Kathleen Lodi, Lincoln .....	University of Nebraska-Lincoln .....	Ex Officio
Kent Zeller, Ravenna.....	FFA.....	Ex Officio

## Geographic Information Systems Council

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### Statutory Reference: 86-570

The Geographic Information Systems Council is an advisory committee to the Nebraska Information Technology Commission (NITC) and makes recommendations to the NITC and the Legislature for standards, program initiatives and funding. The committee also establishes guidelines and policies for statewide Geographic Information Systems operation and management to include: databases, hardware and software, setting of standards, education, and general coordination of GIS development.

The committee represents interests between state agencies and among state, local and federal government agencies. The committee is affiliated with national coordination efforts through the Federal Geographic Data Committee and the National States Geographic Information Council. The committee's interagency and intergovernmental coordination efforts focus on facilitating data sharing, coordinating joint database development, and developing GIS enterprise services, data standards and education.

Committee members include specified state officials or their designees, governor-appointed representatives of specified public sector entities and representatives of other public sector entities nominated by the NITC and appointed by the governor. The governor-appointed members serve three-year terms. They are not paid but are reimbursed for expenses. The committee meets at least four times a year.

Member	Represents	Term Expires
Lash L. Chaffin, Lincoln.....	League of Nebraska Municipalities.....	Sept. 9, 2015
Tim Cielocha, Columbus.....	Public Power Agencies.....	Sept. 9, 2016
Eric Herbert, Ft. Calhoun.....	Nebraska Association of County Officials.....	Sept. 9, 2015
Brittney King, Fremont.....	Nebraska Association of County Officials.....	Sept. 9, 2017
James Langtry, Lincoln.....	Federal Agencies.....	Sept. 9, 2017
Pat Larson, Grand Island.....	Member At Large.....	Sept. 9, 2017
Jeff McReynolds, Lincoln.....	Lincoln Area.....	Sept. 9, 2016
John Miyoshi, Wahoo.....	Natural Resources Districts.....	Sept. 9, 2015
Mike Preston, Omaha.....	Geospatial Professional Organization.....	Sept. 9, 2016
Michael Schonlau, Omaha.....	Member At Large.....	Sept. 9, 2017
Todd Whitfield, Omaha.....	Member At Large.....	Sept. 9, 2016
Gregory Youell, Omaha.....	Omaha Area.....	Sept. 9, 2014
Joseph Acierno, Lincoln.....	Acting CEO, Health and Human Services.....	Nonexpiring
Chad Boshart, Lincoln.....	Military Department.....	Nonexpiring
Steven Cobb, Lincoln.....	State Surveyor.....	Nonexpiring
Brenda Decker, Lincoln.....	Chief Information Officer.....	Nonexpiring
Jim Douglas, Lincoln.....	Game and Parks Commission.....	Nonexpiring
Lauren Kintner, Lincoln.....	Governor's Policy Research Office.....	Nonexpiring
Steve Meredith, Lincoln.....	Public Service Commission.....	Nonexpiring
Patrick J. O'Donnell, Lincoln.....	Clerk of the Legislature.....	Nonexpiring
Randy Peters, Lincoln.....	Director, Department of Roads.....	Nonexpiring
Pat Rice, Lincoln.....	Acting Director, Environmental Quality.....	Nonexpiring
David Sankey, Lincoln.....	Superintendent, State Patrol.....	Nonexpiring
Ruth Sorenson, Lincoln.....	Property Tax Administrator.....	Nonexpiring
Jim Schneider, Lincoln.....	Director, Department of Natural Resources.....	Nonexpiring
Vacant.....	UNL Conservation and Survey Division.....	Nonexpiring

## Governor's Residence Advisory Commission

**Contact Person:** Susanne Shore, First Lady, Governor's Residence, 1425 H St., Lincoln, NE 68508, phone (402) 471-3466

**Statutory Reference:** 72-2101

The Governor's Residence Advisory Commission was created in 1998. It conducts an inspection of the governor's residence in June each year and submits a report to the governor with recommendations for any major maintenance or repair projects.

The governor's spouse is the commission chairperson. If the governor is unmarried, or if the governor's spouse is unable to fulfill his or her duties, the governor appoints an at-large member to fill that seat on the commission. Other commission members include the director of the Department of Administrative Services or his or her designee; the Task Force for Building Renewal administrator; two at-large members from each congressional district, with no more than three at-large members from the same political party; the Nebraska State Historical Society director; and an American Society of Interior Designers member. The at-large members and the interior designer are governor-appointed and serve four-year terms. Members are not paid but are reimbursed for expenses.

Member	Represents	Term Expires
Leisa Ausdemore, Lincoln	Director, Governor's Residence	Ad Hoc
Cora Berry, McCook (R) <sup>3</sup>	District 3	May 13, 2018
Karen Heil, Omaha (R)	District 2	May 13, 2014
Mary Mancuso, Omaha (D)	District 2	May 13, 2014
Jamesena Grimes Moore, Bellevue (D)	District 1	May 13, 2018
Marianne Simmons, Fremont (R)	District 1	May 13, 2018
Joan Sorensen, Fremont	American Society of Interior Designers	May 13, 2018
Jolene Ward, Kearney (R)	District 3	May 13, 2018
Larry Bare, Lincoln	Acting Director, Department of Administrative Services	Nonexpiring
Steve Hotovy, Lincoln	Task Force for Building Renewal	Nonexpiring
Susanne Shore, Omaha	Governor's Spouse	Nonexpiring
Michael J. Smith, Lincoln	Historical Society	Nonexpiring

## Nebraska Hall of Fame Commission

**Contact Person:** Michael J. Smith, Director, Nebraska State Historical Society, 1500 R St., P.O. Box 82554, Lincoln, NE 68501-2554, phone (402) 471-4745

**Statutory Reference:** 72-724

The Nebraska Hall of Fame Commission was created in 1961 to officially recognize Nebraskans who have achieved prominence.

Until 1996, the commission named one person to the Nebraska Hall of Fame every two years, except when two people were named in the first two years of the Hall of Fame's existence, and four people were selected in 1976 in honor of the nation's bicentennial. Legislation passed in 1998 provides that no more than one person can be added to the Hall of Fame every five years. The legislation also provides that no

<sup>3</sup>Political party affiliation: D=Democrat; R=Republican; I=Independent.

person can be considered for the Hall of Fame until at least 35 years after his or her death. The 1969 Legislature provided that Congressional Medal of Honor recipients with a Nebraska connection become members of the Hall of Fame. Busts of Hall of Fame members, except for Medal of Honor recipients, are displayed in the State Capitol in Lincoln and in other commission-approved locations.<sup>4</sup>

The commission has seven members. Six members are appointed by the governor to six-year terms. Three or fewer members can belong to the same political party. The director of the Nebraska State Historical Society is the seventh member and serves as the commission's secretary. The governor is an ex officio member. The historical society administers the commission's affairs.

Member	Position	Term Expires
Rod Bates, Lincoln (D) <sup>5</sup>	Member	Sept. 14, 2019
Sara Crook, Peru (R)	Member	Sept. 14, 2019
Ron Hull, Lincoln (D)	Member	Sept. 14, 2017
Dennis Mihelich, Omaha (I)	Member	Sept. 14, 2015
Ronald Naugle, Lincoln (D)	Member	Sept. 14, 2015
Jo Ann Smith, Gering (R)	Member	Sept. 14, 2017
Michael J. Smith, Lincoln	Member/Secretary	Nonexpiring
Pete Ricketts, Lincoln/Omaha	Governor	Ex Officio

## State Highway Commission

**Contact Person:** Sarah Kugler, Administrative Secretary, State Highway Commission, NDOR Communication Division, 1500 Highway 2, P.O. Box 94759, Lincoln, NE 68509-4759, phone (402) 479-4871

**Statutory Reference:** 39-1101

The 1953 Legislature created the seven-member State Highway Commission to advise the director on policies to carry out the department's duties and responsibilities. In 1987, the Legislature added another commission member and aligned commission districts to match Department of Roads districts. The commission holds public meetings throughout the state to advise the public of department policies and projects.

Commission members are appointed to six-year terms by the governor with legislative approval. Members represent Nebraska's eight highway commission districts. Each member must be a U.S. citizen, at least 30 years old and a resident of the district he or she represents for three years before appointment. No more than four commission members may be from the same political party. The director is an ex officio member of the commission and votes to break tie votes. Commission members receive \$20 a day for conducting commission business.

Member	Represents	Term Expires
Ronald W. Books, North Platte (R)	District 6	Sept. 13, 2019
David Cople, Norfolk (R)	District 3	Sept. 13, 2017
Jerome Fagerland, Atkinson (D)	District 8	Sept. 13, 2019
James H. Kindig, Kenesaw (D)	District 4	Sept. 13, 2017
Doug Leafgreen, Gering (D)	District 5	Sept. 13, 2019

<sup>4</sup>See Pages 70-78 for a listing of Nebraska Hall of Fame members

<sup>5</sup>Political party affiliation: D=Democrat; R=Republican; I=Independent.

E.J. Militti, Jr., Omaha (D).....	District 2 .....	Sept. 13, 2019
Rodney P. Vandenberg, Falls City (R).....	District 1.....	Sept. 13, 2017
Greg Wolford, McCook (R).....	District 7.....	Sept. 13, 2017
Randy Peters, Lincoln.....	State Engineer/Director .....	Ex Officio

## Nebraska Information Technology Commission

**Contact Person:** Brenda Decker, Chief Information Officer, Nebraska Information Technology Commission, 501 S. 14th St., Lincoln, NE 68508, phone (402) 471-3560, website — [www.nitc.nebraska.gov](http://www.nitc.nebraska.gov)

**Statutory Reference:** 86-515

The purpose of the commission is to make the state’s investment in information technology infrastructure more accessible and responsive to the needs of its citizens while making government, education, healthcare and other services more efficient and cost-effective. Specific tasks include:

- developing a statewide technology plan
- determining a broad strategy for developing information technology in Nebraska
- adopting guidelines and technical standards
- making recommendations on technology investments to the governor and the Legislature by Nov. 15 of each even-numbered year

- approving grants from the community technology fund and government technology collaboration fund

The NITC has established five councils in the areas of education, communities, e-health, GIS and state government. The purpose of the councils is to identify, prioritize and coordinate user needs. A technical panel reviews any technology project or request for funding and recommends technical standards and guidelines.

The commission has nine members appointed by the governor, with legislative approval, for four-year terms. The governor or his or her designee serves as chairperson. One member represents elementary and secondary education, one represents postsecondary education, one represents communities and five represent the public. Additionally, a member of the Legislature, appointed by the Executive Board, serves as a nonvoting liaison.

Members are not paid but are reimbursed for expenses. The Office of the Chief Information Officer provides administrative and operational support.

Member	Represents	Term Expires
Terry Haack, Bennington.....	Elementary/Secondary Education.....	April 2, 2018
Donna Hammack, Lincoln.....	Public.....	April 2, 2016
Dorest Harvey, Papillion.....	Public.....	April 2, 2018
Randy Meininger, Scottsbluff .....	Communities .....	April 2, 2018
Brad Moline, Imperial.....	Public.....	April 2, 2016
Dan Shundoff, Kearney.....	Public.....	April 2, 2018
Gary Warren, Aurora.....	Public.....	April 2, 2018
Walter Weir, Lincoln.....	Postsecondary Education.....	April 2, 2018
Mike Foley, Lincoln.....	Lieutenant Governor.....	Ex Officio
Sen. Dan Watermeier, Syracuse.....	Legislature.....	Ex Officio

## Nebraska Invasive Species Council

**Contact Person:** Craig Allen, Invasive Species Council Chairperson, P.O. Box 830984, 3310 Holdrege St., Lincoln, NE 68583-0984, phone (402) 472-0229, email address – callen3@unl.edu

**Statutory Reference:** 37-1403

The 2012 Legislature created the Nebraska Invasive Species Council with the passage of LB391. The council works to coordinate invasive species management and research throughout the state by:

- developing and periodically updating a statewide adaptive management plan for invasive species
- facilitating the communication, cooperation and coordination of local, state, federal, private and nongovernmental entities for the prevention, control and management of invasive species
- serving as a forum for discussion, identification and understanding of invasive species issues
- assisting with public outreach and awareness

Council members may include up to five at large members as well as representatives of an electric generating utility, the Department of Agriculture, Nebraska Game and Parks Commission, Nebraska Forest Service, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Nebraska Cooperative Fish and Wildlife Research Unit, Nebraska Weed Control Association and Nebraska Association of Resources Districts.

Representatives of the Midwest Region of the National Park Service, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Natural Resources Conservation Service, United States Geological Survey and the Nature Conservancy serve as nonvoting, ex officio members. The council meets at the call of the chairperson or upon request of a majority of the members. Members serve without compensation and are not reimbursed for expenses.

<b>Member</b>	<b>Represents</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Craig Allen, Lincoln.....	Cooperative Fish and Wildlife Research Unit .....	Dec. 31, 2016
Mitch Coffin, Lincoln.....	Department of Agriculture.....	Dec. 31, 2014
Brian Crabtree, Aurora.....	Weed Control Association.....	Dec. 31, 2016
Kari Decker, Lincoln.....	Game and Parks Commission .....	Dec. 31, 2014
John Erixson, Lincoln.....	Forest Service .....	Dec. 31, 2016
Shane Greckel, Bloomfield.....	Public Interest .....	Dec. 31, 2014
Gary Hellerich, Valparaiso.....	Public Interest .....	Dec. 31, 2016
Terry Julegard, Spencer .....	Association of Resources Districts.....	Dec. 31, 2016
Justin King, Columbus .....	Electric Generating Utility .....	Dec. 31, 2016
Van Neidig, Battle Creek.....	Public Interest .....	Dec. 31, 2016
Tom Powers, Lincoln.....	University of Nebraska-Lincoln.....	Dec. 31, 2016
Arnie Stuthman, Platte Center.....	Public Interest .....	Dec. 31, 2016
Kim Todd, Lincoln .....	Public Interest .....	Dec. 31, 2016
Chris Helzer, Aurora.....	The Nature Conservancy .....	Ex Officio
Constance Miller, Lincoln.....	Natural Resources Conservation Service.....	Ex Officio
Robert Swanson, Lincoln.....	U.S. Geological Survey Water Science Center.....	Ex Officio
Carmen Thomson, Omaha.....	National Park Service.....	Ex Officio
Vacant .....	Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.....	Ex Officio

## Nebraska Investment Finance Authority

**Contact Person:** Timothy R. Kenny, Executive Director, Nebraska Investment Finance Authority, 200 Commerce Court, 1230 O St., Lincoln, NE 68508, phone (402) 434-3900, toll-free phone (800) 204-6432, fax (402) 434-3921, website — [www.NIFA.org](http://www.NIFA.org)

**Statutory Reference:** 58-226

The 1983 Legislature created the Nebraska Investment Finance Authority as an independent instrumentality by consolidating the Nebraska Mortgage Finance Fund, the Nebraska Agricultural Development Corporation and the Nebraska Development Finance Fund. The authority is authorized to provide:

- home mortgage financing for low- and moderate-income Nebraskans
- financing for affordable rental housing and affordable housing infrastructure
- financing for hospitals and other healthcare facilities
- agricultural financing for first-time farmers
- financing for manufacturing or industrial enterprises, certain nonprofit enterprises, solid waste disposal, wastewater treatment, safe drinking water, public safety communications systems projects and economic impact projects using federal new market tax credits.

The authority is authorized to invest in loans made for the construction, rehabilitation or acquisition of eligible projects and may guarantee certain micro enterprise loans. The authority has no taxing power but is authorized to issue bonds and other obligations for its public purposes. The authority also administers the federal low-income housing tax credit program pursuant to Section 42 of the Internal Revenue Code.

The authority has nine members. The director of the Department of Economic Development, the Nebraska Investment Council chairperson and the director of the Nebraska Department of Agriculture serve as ex officio members. These members may designate a representative to perform their duties under the Nebraska Investment Finance Authority Act.

Six public representatives, two from each congressional district, are appointed by the governor to four-year terms. At least one member each must be experienced in the following areas: real estate development; industrial mortgage credit, commercial credit, agricultural credit or housing mortgage credit; agricultural production; banking or investment banking; home building or be a licensed real estate broker. One member is appointed at large. No more than three public members may belong to the same political party. All authority members must be Nebraska residents. Meetings of the authority are held at least quarterly. Members are not paid but are reimbursed for expenses.

<b>Member</b>	<b>Represents</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Marlin Brabec, Ames .....	Licensed Real Estate Broker, District 1 .....	Jan. 10, 2018
Herb Freeman, Omaha .....	At Large, District 2 .....	Jan. 10, 2018
Galen E. Frenzen, Fullerton.....	Agricultural Production, District 3 .....	Jan. 10, 2017
Peter Mark Graff, McCook .....	Investment Banking, District 3.....	Jan. 10, 2019
Michael B. Maroney, Omaha .....	Real Estate Development, District 2.....	Jan. 10, 2017
Mary Jo McClurg, Lincoln .....	Housing Mortgage Credit, District 1.....	Jan. 10, 2019
Greg Ibach, Lincoln.....	Director of Agriculture .....	Ex Officio

Brenda Hicks-Sorensen, Lincoln.....Director of  
 Economic Development .....Ex Officio  
 Gail Werner-Robertson .....Investment Council Chair .....Ex Officio

## Board of Pardons

**Contact Person:** Sonya Fauver, Nebraska Board of Pardons, Folsom and West Prospector Place, P.O. Box 94754, Building #1, Lincoln, NE 68509-4754, phone (402) 479-5726, email address — [sonya.fauver@nebraska.gov](mailto:sonya.fauver@nebraska.gov), website — [www.pardons.state.ne.us](http://www.pardons.state.ne.us)

**Statutory References:** Nebraska Constitution, Article IV, Section 13; and 83-1,126

The Board of Pardons receives and considers applications for pardons, reprieves, commutations of sentence, and remission of fines and forfeitures. After a pardon has been granted, the board can empower the governor to authorize those pardoned to own and transport firearms.

The 1911 Legislature created the state Prison Board and an advisory board of pardons. The board also served as the advisory board of parole. These boards' functions were merged with the Department of Public Welfare in 1919.

A constitutional amendment adopted in 1920 created a Board of Pardons and designated the governor, secretary of state and attorney general as its members. The 1937 Legislature passed a uniform act for the supervision of Nebraska prisoners paroled in other states.

The 1969 Legislature, pursuant to a constitutional amendment passed in 1968, created a separate Board of Parole.<sup>6</sup> Pardon authority remained with the Board of Pardons.

Member	Position	Elected Office
John A. Gale, Lincoln.....	Secretary.....	Secretary of State
Douglas J. Peterson, Lincoln.....	Member.....	Attorney General
Pete Ricketts, Lincoln/Omaha.....	Chairman.....	Governor

## Propane Education and Research Council

**Contact Person:** Lynne Schuller, Executive Director, Nebraska Propane Education and Research Council, 301 S. 12th St., Suite 140, Lincoln, NE 68508, phone (402) 475-3996, fax (402) 475-3997

**Statutory Reference:** 66-1617

The 1998 Legislature authorized creation of a Nebraska Propane Education and Research Council (NPERC). Nebraska propane retail marketers of propane later established the council by a referendum vote. The purpose of the NPERC is to develop programs and projects that promote the safe, efficient use of propane for consumers; educate the public and industry employees on propane safety; conduct research to improve the safety and efficiency of propane equipment; and support awareness of the uses and environmental advantages of propane. To fund its activities, the council levies a fee on odorized propane sold in the state.

<sup>6</sup>For more information on the Nebraska Board of Parole, see Page 682.

The council consists of nine governor-appointed members, including four representing retail marketers; one representing wholesalers, suppliers and importers; one representing manufacturers and distributors of liquified petroleum gas equipment; one representing the academic or propane research community; one propane user or consumer; and the state fire marshal or his or her designee. Council members serve three-year terms.

Member	Represents	Term Expires
Dan Binning, Denver, Colo. ....	Wholesalers/Suppliers/Importers .....	Oct. 29, 2015
Tom Bosshardt, Kearney .....	Propane Users/Consumers .....	Oct. 29, 2017
Carrie Engel, Lincoln .....	Retail Marketers .....	Oct. 29, 2016
Jeff Ingalls, Shelby .....	Retail Marketers .....	Oct. 29, 2015
Neal A. Kanal, Dawson .....	Retail Marketers .....	Oct. 29, 2015
Roger Kreifels, Emerald.....	Retail Marketers .....	Oct. 29, 2016
Rae Ann Lurk, Harvard .....	Academic/Propane Research.....	Oct. 29, 2017
Deborah Myers, Lincoln.....	Equipment Manufacturers .....	Oct. 29, 2016
Jim Heine, Lincoln.....	Acting State Fire Marshal .....	Nonexpiring

## Board of Public Roads Classifications and Standards

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### **Statutory Reference:** 39-2106

The Board of Public Roads Classifications and Standards oversees annual construction planning and fiscal reporting for state and local highways, roads and streets, as well as the application of minimum design, construction and maintenance standards for functional classifications (categories) of public roadways. The standards ensure that each road can safely handle the traffic pattern and volume it is expected to carry, as part of a policy enacted in 1969 to provide for the efficient management, operation and control of an integrated system of state and local highways, roads and streets.

Nebraska counties and municipalities, as well as the Nebraska Department of Roads, must annually file a one- and six-year plan of highway, road and street improvements with the board. Those jurisdictions also must file a standard annual highway, road and street program fiscal report with the board, including (except for NDOR) certification that they have complied with applicable state standards, matching funds and other operations and reporting requirements. The procedure for such annual reports is the joint responsibility of the board and the auditor of public accounts.

The 11 members are appointed by the Governor, subject to legislative approval, to four year terms. Two members represent NDOR. Three members represent counties, with requirements that one be a licensed highway superintendent, that two be county board members, and that one each be from a small, medium or large (population) county. The three municipal members must be either public works directors or licensed street superintendents, and one each must be from a small, medium or large municipality. The other three members are lay members representing each congressional district. The Department of Roads' Liaison Services Section provides administrative support.

<b>Member</b>	<b>Represents</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Roger A. Figard, Lincoln .....	Municipality over 50,000 residents.....	Nov. 30, 2015
LeRoy G. Gerrard, Stromsburg .....	Class 2 County, Commissioner.....	Nov. 30, 2015
John M. Hynes, Holstein.....	Class 5 County, Supervisor.....	Nov. 30, 2015
Barbara J. Keegan, Alliance.....	Class 3 County, Highway Superintendent.....	Nov. 30, 2017
John F. Krager, III, Omaha .....	District 2, Lay Citizen .....	Nov. 30, 2015
James A. Litchfield, Wakefield.....	Municipality less than 2,500 residents .....	Nov. 30, 2017
Mick Syslo, Lincoln.....	Department of Roads.....	Nov. 30, 2017
Darold E. Tagge, Holdrege .....	District 3, Lay Citizen .....	Nov. 30, 2015
David L. Wacker, Hastings .....	Municipality between 2,500 and 50,000.....	Nov. 30, 2015
Timothy Weander, Omaha.....	Department of Roads.....	Nov. 30, 2015
Edward R. Wootton, Sr., Bellevue.....	District 1, Lay Citizen .....	Nov. 30, 2017

## Nebraska Safety Center Advisory Council

**Contact Person:** Mick Anderson, Director, Nebraska Safety Center, West Center, University of Nebraska Kearney, 1917 W. 24th St., Kearney, NE 68849, phone (308) 865-8256

**Statutory Reference:** 85-1008

The Nebraska Legislature established the Nebraska Safety Center (NSC) in 1978. The NSC was established to help Nebraskans prevent accidents.

The purpose of NSC is to provide:

- instruction - educational courses and coordinated activities relating to all safety and safety education
- research - leadership in identifying priorities and providing expertise in safety research projects
- service - information and workshop opportunities to all interested individuals
- coordination - articulation for development of a statewide system of teacher preparation in safety education programs

The Nebraska Safety Center has a 21-member statewide advisory council appointed by the University of Nebraska at Kearney chancellor and approved by the university president for 3-year terms. The NSC Advisory Council assists the center in carrying out its purposes and functions.

The council, which meets once a year, makes annual recommendations to the NSC director concerning the center’s budget, staff, facilities, equipment and programs. Council members are not paid but are reimbursed for expenses.

<b>Member</b>	<b>Represents</b>
Mary Ann Borgeson, Omaha.....	County Official
Kelly Christensen, Hastings.....	Community Colleges
Janice Eret, Lincoln .....	Department of Education
Kay Farrell, Omaha .....	Nebraska Safety Council
Kathleen Fimple, Omaha.....	Post-Secondary Education
Jim Heine, Lincoln.....	Fire Safety
Bill Hetzler, Omaha .....	Department of Labor
Greg Ibach, Lincoln.....	Agriculture
Larry Johnson, Lincoln .....	Trucking Association
Carol Jorgensen, Elm Creek .....	EMS
Chris Kolb, Grand Island.....	State Patrol

Rod Loos, Ogallala.....	Game & Parks Commission
Michael Offner, Hastings.....	Judiciary
Larry Rilett, Lincoln.....	University of Nebraska
Korinne Tande, Lincoln.....	State College System
Dan Waddle, Lincoln.....	Department of Roads
Fred Zwonechek, Lincoln.....	Highway Safety
Vacant.....	American Red Cross
Vacant.....	Business
Vacant.....	City Government
Vacant.....	Medical Association
Vacant.....	Public Schools

## Nebraska Sesquicentennial Commission

**Contact Person:** Michael J. Smith, Nebraska State Historical Society, 1500 R St., P.O. Box 82554, Lincoln, NE 68501-2554, phone (402) 471-4745, fax (402) 471-3100, email address – michael.smith@nebraska.gov

**Statutory Reference:** 81-8,309

The Nebraska Sesquicentennial Commission was created by the 2014 Legislature with the passage of LB744 to develop programs and plan for observance of the 150th anniversary of Nebraska statehood in 2017. The commission will work with state agencies to conduct commemorative events and implement educational activities associated with Nebraska’s sesquicentennial.

The commission is composed of 17 members appointed by the governor, including individuals from all regions of the state representing all major interests and a diverse array of industries. No more than eight members are affiliated with the same political party. For administrative and budgetary purposes only, the commission is housed within the Nebraska State Historical Society. The commission terminates on June 30, 2018. Members are not paid but are reimbursed for their expenses.

Member	Term Expires
Barbara J. Batic, Lexington (R) <sup>7</sup> .....	June 30, 2018
Ann C. Bird, Omaha (D).....	June 30, 2018
Denise A. Christensen, Kearney (I).....	June 30, 2018
Sara B. Crook, Peru (R).....	June 30, 2018
Nancy M. Faber, Elkhorn (D).....	June 30, 2018
Deanna Frankforter, Grand Island (R).....	June 30, 2018
John A. Gale, Lincoln (R).....	June 30, 2018
Becky Herian, Alliance (R).....	June 30, 2018
Christi Janssen, Omaha (R).....	June 30, 2018
Donna Kush, Omaha (R).....	June 30, 2018
Frank LaMere, South Sioux City (D).....	June 30, 2018
Jamesena Grimes Moore, Bellevue (D).....	June 30, 2018
Dora M. Olivares, Gering (D).....	June 30, 2018
Marty Ramirez, Lincoln (D).....	June 30, 2018
John L. Strobe, Jr., Lincoln (D).....	June 30, 2018
Leann Widhalm, Norfolk (D).....	June 30, 2018
John F. Zimmer V, Lincoln (R).....	June 30, 2018

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<sup>7</sup> Political party affiliation: D=Democrat; R=Republican; I=Independent.

## Suggestion Award Board

**Contact Person:** Nyla Thomsen, Suggestion System Coordinator, Administrative Services, 1526 K St., Ste. 100, Lincoln, NE 68508, phone (402) 471-4459

**Statutory Reference:** 81-1348

The Suggestion System provides state employees with a means to give suggestions on improving the operations of state government. Cost saving suggestions that are accepted and implemented result in recognition and/or monetary compensation for the employee who submitted the proposal.

Membership on the Suggestion Award Board consists of the Administrative Services state personnel director, auditor of public accounts, director of Administrative Services and three employees from bargaining units selected and appointed by the governor. One or more suggestion system coordinators also are appointed in each agency to act as liaisons between the agency and the board. Members are not paid but are reimbursed for expenses.

<b>Member</b>	<b>Represents</b>
Larry Bare, Lincoln.....	Acting Administrative Services Director
David Brady, Lincoln.....	Engineering, Science and Resource Unit
Charlie Janssen, Fremont.....	Auditor of Public Accounts
Ruth Jones, Lincoln.....	State Personnel Director
Nancy Lyon, Kearney.....	Teachers Unit
Melvin Ramsey, Omaha.....	Examination, Inspection & Licensing Bargaining Unit

## Commission on Uniform State Laws

**Contact Person:** Joanne M. Pepperl, Revisor of Statutes, Room 358, State Capitol, P.O. Box 94604, Lincoln, NE 68509-4604, phone (402) 471-2225

**Statutory Reference:** 49-901

The 1951 Legislature created the Commission on Uniform State Laws. Commission members work with commissioners in all states to formulate uniform laws on specific subjects. State legislatures may enact these laws.

Each commission member must attend National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws meetings and promote uniformity in state laws. The commission reports its transactions and its recommendations for legislation to the clerk of the Legislature. The commission also works to bring uniform judicial interpretation of uniform laws.

Commission members include three lawyers appointed by the governor to four-year terms and the revisor of statutes. The commission also includes Nebraskans who have a long service record in promoting state legislation uniformity. These members are elected life members of the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws. The commission meets at least once every two years. Members are not paid but are reimbursed for expenses.

<b>Member</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Jill Robb Ackerman, Omaha.....	Aug. 11, 2015
C. Arlen Beam, Lincoln.....	Life Member
Norman Krivosha, Lincoln.....	Life Member

Harvey S. Perlman, Lincoln .....	Life Member
Larry L. Ruth, Lincoln.....	Aug. 11, 2015
Steven Willborn, Lincoln .....	Aug. 11, 2015
Joanne M. Pepperl, Lincoln (Revisor of Statutes) .....	Nonexpiring

## Wyuka Cemetery Board of Trustees

**Contact Persons:** Mike Williams, Funeral Director, Wyuka Cemetery, 3600 O St., Lincoln, NE 68510, phone (402) 474-3600, fax (402) 474-2605, website — [www.wyuka.com](http://www.wyuka.com)

**Statutory Reference:** 12-101

Under Nebraska law, Wyuka Cemetery in Lincoln is a public charitable corporation. The cemetery’s general control and management is vested in a board of trustees. The board can authorize one of its members to sign petitions for improving any streets, alleys, or public ways or grounds abutting cemetery grounds. The board may sue or be sued, contract work and be under contract, and acquire and convey real and personal property.

The cemetery’s board of trustees has five unpaid members, appointed by the governor to six-year terms. The board meets quarterly.

<b>Member</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Ron Busch, Lincoln .....	Jan. 1, 2021
Robert Fitzsimmons, Lincoln.....	July 1, 2015
Lloyd Hinkley, Lincoln.....	Jan. 1, 2015
Faye Osborn, Lincoln.....	Jan. 1, 2013
Jeffrey Schumacher, Lincoln.....	Jan. 1, 2017

## INTERSTATE COMPACTS

The State of Nebraska is authorized to enter into agreements, or compacts, with other states concerning matters of mutual interest. The subjects of these compacts include education, energy conservation, state boundaries and correction systems. Interstate compacts must be approved by the state legislatures involved and Congress. Member states may establish interstate governmental bodies to carry out the compact's provisions. State agencies generally are responsible for administration of these compacts.

**Editor's Note:** The following is a list of interstate compacts involving Nebraska that are in force. All statutory references in this section indicate the location in the Revised Statutes of Nebraska, except where indicated.

### Kansas Nebraska Big Blue River Basin Compact

**Statutory References:** Appendix 1-115; federal Public Law 92-308

Established by Congress in 1972, the Blue River Basin Compact:

- promotes good relations between Nebraska and Kansas on water issues
- promotes orderly development of the Big Blue River Basin between Kansas and Nebraska and works to divide its waters fairly
- encourages ongoing programs to stop water pollution in the two states and to reduce natural and man-made pollution of the Big Blue River Basin

### Big Blue River Basin Compact Administration

**Nebraska Contact Person:** Jim Schneider, Nebraska Department of Natural Resources, 301 Centennial Mall South, Fourth Floor, P.O. Box 94676, Lincoln, NE 68509-4676, phone (402) 471-2366, fax (402) 471-2900, website — [www.dnr.nebraska.gov](http://www.dnr.nebraska.gov)

The administrative branch of the compact includes the following members:

- two ex officio members who are the officials (or the officials' designees) who administer the water laws in Kansas and Nebraska
- a Big Blue River Basin resident advisory member from each state who is appointed by his or her respective governor to four-year terms
- a federal government representative who is appointed by the president and serves at his or her pleasure

The administration meets annually. Information, support staff and file storage are shared by Kansas and Nebraska.

Nebraska Member	Position	Term Expires
Gary Mitchell .....	Federal Member .....	Chairman
Larry K. Moore, Ulysses .....	Governor's Appointee .....	Oct. 1, 2017
Jim Schneider, Lincoln .....	Acting Natural Resources Director .....	Ex Officio

## Interstate Compact on Licensure of Participants in Horse Racing with Pari-Mutuel Wagering

**Contact Person:** Tom Sage, Executive Director, Nebraska State Racing Commission, 5903 Walker Ave., Lincoln, NE 68507, phone (402) 471-4155, website — www.nebraskaracingcommission.com

**Statutory Reference:** 2-1247

The 2001 Legislature passed a law allowing the state to join the compact, which is authorized to issue licenses to horse racing participants in states that allow pari-mutuel wagering. The compact committee may:

- determine which categories of racing participants, such as owners, trainers, jockeys, racing officials and veterinarians, should be licensed by the committee
- establish requirements for initial licensure and renewal of licenses
- investigate applicants' criminal history and gather information from the Federal Bureau of Investigation and state and local law enforcement officials

**Nebraska Representative**

**Position**

Dennis P. Lee .....	Chairman, State Racing Commission
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## Interstate Compact on the Placement of Children

**Nebraska Contact Person:** Chris Hanus, Compact Administrator, Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services, P.O. Box 95026, Lincoln, NE 68509-5044, phone (402) 471-9625, email address — chris.hanus@dhhs.ne.gov

**Statutory Reference:** 43-1103

All 50 states, the District of Columbia and the Virgin Islands are members of the Interstate Compact on the Placement of Children. The states:

- require that children placed outside their homes be moved to a suitable environment that has the people and the institutions qualified to ensure the children are well cared for
- ensure that the appropriate authorities in a state to where the child is being moved know the reasons behind the placement, which promotes full compact compliance for the protection of children and youth
- give the proper authorities from which the placement is to be made full information to evaluate the proposed placement before it happens
- ensure there is an appropriate, accountable and jurisdictional network for the care of children who are wards of the states or under court jurisdiction

## Interstate Corrections Compact

**Nebraska Contact Person:** Konda Young, Interstate Compact Coordinator, Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Folsom and West Prospector Place, Building 1, P.O. Box 94661, Lincoln, NE 68509-4661, phone (402) 479-5753

**Statutory Reference:** 29-3401

Under provisions of the Interstate Corrections Compact, the Nebraska Department of Correctional Services has entered agreements with 40 other state correctional departments allowing for the transfer of inmates between their respective correctional institutions.

States involved in the compact are: Alabama, Arizona, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Hawaii, Idaho, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, North Carolina, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Vermont, Virginia, Washington, Wisconsin and Wyoming.

## **Interstate Agreement on Detainers (Nebraska Disposition of Untried Charges)**

**Nebraska Contact Person:** Kyle Poppert, Inmate Records Administrator, Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Folsom and West Prospector Place, Building 1, P.O. Box 94661, Lincoln, NE 68509-4661, phone (402) 479-5750, fax (402) 742-2349, email address — [kyle.poppert@nebraska.gov](mailto:kyle.poppert@nebraska.gov)

**Statutory Reference:** 29-759; 29-3801 to 29-3809

A detainer is a written demand for the physical custody of a prisoner by another jurisdiction based on an active arrest warrant or untried complaint, information or indictment. The Interstate Agreement on Detainers (IAD) is a compact that includes 48 states, the District of Columbia and the U.S. government. It provides for the administrative transfer of prisoners who are wanted by other states for trial on criminal charges. Louisiana and Mississippi are not part of the IAD. Within Nebraska, the disposition of untried charges pending in county and local jurisdictions is handled according to procedures similar to those contained in the IAD. The purpose of the IAD and the Intrastate Disposition of Untried Charges is to provide a process by which prisoners and prosecutors may initiate steps to resolve outstanding criminal charges upon which detainers are based. Provisions for speedy trials alleviate uncertainties that slow programming and rehabilitative opportunities for prisoners within the correctional system. The Special Services Unit administrator at the Nebraska Department of Correctional Services serves as the central administrator acting under the authority of the department director.

## **Driver License Compact**

**Nebraska Contact Person:** Kathy VanBroeklin, Division Manager, Traffic Violations-Financial Responsibility, Nebraska Department of Motor Vehicles, 301 Centennial Mall South, Mall Level, P.O. Box 94877, Lincoln, NE 68509-4877, phone (402) 471-3901

**Statutory Reference:** Appendix 1-113

The Driver License Compact requires the licensing authority in each compact state to report each conviction for traffic law violations of a person from another compact state to the licensing authority in his or her home state. The home state's licensing authority may limit, revoke or suspend a license for:

- conviction of manslaughter or negligent homicide in an automobile accident
- driving while drunk or under the influence of drugs
- using a motor vehicle during any felony
- not stopping and giving aid to victims of a traffic accident resulting in death or injury

When a person applies for a driver's license, compact states may check whether the applicant has had a license issued by another compact state. The licensing authority may not issue a new license if the applicant's previous one has been suspended or revoked.

Forty-three states belong to the compact. Connecticut, Georgia, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota and Wisconsin are not members.

## Compact for Education

### **Statutory Reference:** 79-1501

The 1967 Legislature adopted the Compact for Education. The compact:

- establishes and maintains cooperation and understanding on educational issues among executive, legislative, professional educational and lay leadership at national, state and local levels
  - provides forums to discuss and develop education policy alternatives
  - provides an information clearinghouse on educational problems and how they are addressed nationwide
  - improves state and local education systems

## Education Commission of the States

**Nebraska Contact Person:** Sen. Kate Sullivan, Room 1107, State Capitol, P.O. Box 94604, Lincoln, NE 68509-4604, phone (402) 471-2631

A 49-state, nonpartisan, nonprofit organization, the Education Commission of the States carries out the Compact for Education. The number of member states varies each year. The commission also includes the District of Columbia, American Samoa, the Virgin Islands and Puerto Rico. The commission:

- collects and analyzes educational needs and resources information
- encourages education research, particularly in public education systems
- develops education finance proposals at all levels
- conducts and participates in educational research
- devises policies and plans to improve public education and makes recommendations available to governmental units and public officials

Nebraska has seven members on the commission. Members include the governor or governor's designee; the commissioner of education; three state senators appointed by the Executive Board of the Legislature for two-year terms; and two governor-appointed members who serve at the governor's pleasure. One governor-appointed member must be a Class II, III, IV, V or VI school board member or a representative of a state school board association.

The commission meets annually. Its steering committee also meets two times each

year. Members are not paid but are reimbursed for expenses.

<b>Nebraska Member</b>	<b>Represents</b>
Sen. Roy Baker, Lincoln.....	Legislature
Matthew Blomstedt, Central City.....	Commissioner of Education
John A. Bonaiuto, Lincoln.....	Nebraska Association of School Boards
Nancy Fulton, Wilber.....	Nebraska State Education Association
Gov. Pete Ricketts, Lincoln/Omaha.....	Governor
Sen. Jim Scheer, Norfolk.....	Legislature
Sen. Kate Sullivan, Cedar Rapids.....	Legislature

## Midwestern Higher Education Compact

**Statutory Reference:** 85-1301

The 1991 Legislature approved Nebraska’s participation in the Midwestern Higher Education Compact, which is an effort to advance Midwestern higher education through interstate cooperation and resource sharing.

### Midwestern Higher Education Compact Commission

**Regional Compact Office Address:** 1300 S. Second St., Suite 130, Minneapolis, MN 55454-1079, phone (612) 626-8288, website — [www.mhec.org](http://www.mhec.org)

**Nebraska Contact Person:** Dr. Michael Baumgartner, Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education, 140 N. Eighth St., Suite 300, P.O. Box 95005, Lincoln, NE 68509-5005, phone (402) 471-2847

Established in 1991 as an interstate compact agency, the Midwestern Higher Education Compact (MHEC) promotes interstate cooperation and resource sharing in higher education. As of July 2010, the member states of MHEC include Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, South Dakota and Wisconsin.

The compact follows six major goals in carrying out its mission. The goals include enhancing productivity through reductions in administrative costs; encouraging student access, completion and affordability; facilitating public policy analysis and information exchange; facilitating regional academic cooperation and services; promoting quality educational programs; and encouraging innovation in the delivery of educational services.

Nebraska commissioners include the governor or governor’s designee; two state senators appointed by the Executive Board of the Legislature for two-year terms; and two governor-appointed Nebraska higher education representatives, one of whom serves on the Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education. The governor-appointed members serve four-year terms.

<b>Nebraska Representative</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Sen. Sue Crawford, Bellevue.....	Legislature.....	Jan. 1, 2017
Randolph Ferlic, Omaha.....	At Large.....	Jan. 9, 2015
Susan Fritz, Lincoln.....	University of Nebraska.....	July 1, 2015
Sen. Kate Sullivan, Cedar Rapids.....	Legislature.....	Jan. 1, 2017
Carol Zink, Lincoln.....	Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education.....	July 1, 2017
Michael Baumgartner, Lincoln.....	Alternate	

## Emergency Management Assistance Compact

**Nebraska Contact Person:** Bryan Tuma, Assistant Director, Nebraska Emergency Management Agency, 2433 N.W. 24th St., Lincoln, NE 68524-1801, phone (402) 471-7421, website — [www.nema.ne.gov](http://www.nema.ne.gov)

**Statutory Reference:** Appendix 1-109

In 1999, the Legislature ratified the Emergency Management Assistance Compact. Under this compact, Nebraska can enter emergency agreements and/or mutual aid plans or supplementary agreements with other states that have ratified the compact. The compact seeks to provide assistance between member states during any emergency or disaster duly declared by the governor of the affected state. The compact also seeks to provide mutual cooperation in emergency-related exercises, testing or other training activities.

## Iowa-Nebraska Boundary Compacts

**Nebraska Contact Person:** Jim Schneider, Acting Director, Nebraska Department of Natural Resources, 301 Centennial Mall South, Fourth Floor, P.O. Box 94676, Lincoln, NE 68509-4676, phone (402) 471-2366, fax (402) 471-2900, website — [www.dnr.nebraska.gov](http://www.dnr.nebraska.gov)

**Statutory Reference:** Appendix 1-104

The Iowa-Nebraska Boundary Compacts establish the boundary line between Iowa and Nebraska.

## Interstate Compact for Juveniles

**Nebraska Contact Persons:** Jacey R. Nordmeyer, Commissioner/Compact Administrator, Nebraska Office of Probation Administration, Supreme Court of Nebraska, 521 S. 14th St., Room 230, Lincoln, NE 68508, phone (402) 471-2855, email address — [jacey.nordmeyer@nebraska.gov](mailto:jacey.nordmeyer@nebraska.gov); Mike Reddish, Deputy Compact Administrator/Office of Juvenile Services, P.O. Box 95026, Lincoln, NE 68509, phone (402) 471-9700, email address — [mike.reddish@nebraska.gov](mailto:mike.reddish@nebraska.gov)

**Statutory References:** 43-1011

The Interstate Commission for Juveniles:

- provides a framework for the proper supervision of juveniles, delinquents and status offenders who are on probation or parole and request to relocate
- manages the movement of juveniles between states and provides for effective tracking and supervision
- provides for the safe return of juvenile absconders and escapees to the state from which they absconded or escaped
- provides for the safe return of runaways who have not been previously adjudged delinquent
- ensures public safety and protection of victims in both the sending and receiving states

All states, Guam, the Virgin Islands and the District of Columbia belong to the compact. The compact created an Interstate Commission for Juveniles that has powers

and duties to provide dispute resolution, promulgate rules and enforce compliance to ensure that juveniles subject to the terms of the compact receive oversight. The commission established a system of uniform data collection, access to information on active cases by authorized officials and regular reporting of compact activities to the heads of state councils and the executive, legislative and judicial branches of government in the compacting states.

Terms of the Interstate Compact for Juveniles are further outlined in the compact's rules and bylaws.

## Interstate Compact on Mental Health

**Nebraska Contact Person:** Stacey Werth-Sweeney, State Designee, Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services, P.O. Box 95026, Lincoln, NE 68509-5026, phone (402) 479-5410, email address — [stacey.werthsweeney@nebraska.gov](mailto:stacey.werthsweeney@nebraska.gov)

**Statutory Reference:** 83-801

The Interstate Compact on Mental Health provides the legal basis for the proper care, treatment and institutionalization of the mentally disabled. The 44-state compact allows for patient transfers between states when mental health officials decide a patient's care and treatment will be improved by the transfer. Compact states must ensure that services are available to all based on need and not where they live or citizenship status. All states belong to the compact except Arizona, California, Mississippi, Nevada, Utah and Virginia.

The director of the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services can either serve as the compact administrator or appoint a state designee.

## Nebraska-Missouri Boundary Compact

**Nebraska Contact Person:** Jim Schneider, Acting Director, Nebraska Department of Natural Resources, 301 Centennial Mall South, Fourth Floor, P.O. Box 94676, Lincoln, NE 68509-4676, phone (402) 471-2366, fax (402) 471-2900, website — [www.dnr.nebraska.gov](http://www.dnr.nebraska.gov)

**Statutory Reference:** Appendix 1-114 and LB59 (1998)

The Nebraska-Missouri Boundary Compact establishes the boundary line between Nebraska and Missouri.

## Nonresident Violator Compact of 1977

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**Statutory Reference:** Appendix 1-119

The Nebraska Department of Motor Vehicles director can enter the state into nonresident motor vehicle law violator compacts with other states. Compact states have the following agreements:

- when issuing a traffic violation citation to an out-of-state driver who is a resident

of a compact state, a police officer cannot require the motorist to post collateral

- unless prohibited by law, personal recognizance is acceptable. If mandatory appearance is required by law, it should take place immediately after the citation is issued.
- if a motorist fails to pay a traffic citation, the state's licensing authority where the citation occurred is notified. The licensing authority passes this information on within six months to the licensing authority in the motorist's home state.
- the licensing authority in the state where the citation was issued cannot suspend the driver's license of a motorist failing to pay a citation
- the licensing authority report cannot be sent to the motorist's home state if the citation was issued before the two states entered the compact

All states belong to the compact except Alaska, California, Michigan, Montana, Oregon and Wisconsin.

## North Platte River Decree

**Nebraska Contact Person:** Jim Schneider, Nebraska Department of Natural Resources, 301 Centennial Mall South, Fourth Floor, P.O. Box 94676, Lincoln, NE 68509-4676, phone (402) 471-2366, fax (402) 471-2900, website — [www.dnr.nebraska.gov](http://www.dnr.nebraska.gov)

**Statutory Reference:** 534 U.S. 40

**Nebraska Representative to the North Platte Decree Committee:** Jim Schneider, Acting Director

Based on a 1945 U.S. Supreme Court ruling modified by a 2001 joint settlement, the North Platte River is allocated to parts of Nebraska, Wyoming and Colorado. The decree restricts the number of acres irrigated from surface water and hydrologically groundwater wells, the use of surface and groundwater and the amount of water that can be stored or transferred out of basin. The decree also places regulations on Colorado and Wyoming in order to get water to a critical reach of the river in eastern Wyoming. The water in this critical reach is divided 25 percent to Wyoming and 75 percent to Nebraska from May 1 to Sept. 30. The decree is administered by the North Platte Decree Committee.

## Nurse Licensure Compact

**Statutory Reference:** 71-1795

The 2000 Legislature passed a bill to create the Nurse Licensure Compact. The compact encourages the cooperation of member states in the areas of nurse licensure and regulation. The compact also facilitates the exchange of information between member states in the areas of nurse regulation, investigation and adverse actions.

## Interstate Compact to Conserve Oil and Gas

**Statutory Reference:** Appendix 1-108

The purpose of the Interstate Compact to Conserve Oil and Gas is to prevent oil and gas waste. The compact established the Interstate Oil and Gas Compact Commission.

## Interstate Oil and Gas Compact Commission

**Nebraska Contact Person:** William H. Sydow, Director, Nebraska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission, 922 Illinois St., P.O. Box 399, Sidney, NE 69162-0399, phone (308) 254-6919, fax (308) 254-6922

Established in 1935, the Interstate Oil and Gas Compact Commission of Oklahoma City, Okla., helps states regulate oil and gas by providing legal and engineering assistance. Nebraska joined the compact in 1953. Twenty-nine other states are members, and seven more are associate members. Brazil, Egypt, Georgia, Venezuela and the Canadian provinces of Alberta, British Columbia, Labrador, Newfoundland, Nova Scotia, Saskatchewan and the Yukon Territory are international affiliates. States may withdraw from the compact with 60 days' notice.

Member states include Alabama, Alaska, Arizona, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Florida, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Michigan, Mississippi, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Mexico, New York, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, South Dakota, Texas, Utah, Virginia, West Virginia and Wyoming. Associate members are Georgia, Idaho, Missouri, North Carolina, Oregon, South Carolina and Washington.

The commission works to determine oil and gas conservation methods and stop oil and gas waste. The commission sends research findings to compact states for their adoption or rejection. The commission, which meets three times a year, operates on money from the compact states.

The governor of each compact state serves on the commission. Each governor may recommend an official representative to serve on the commission in the governor's absence. The commission's chairperson makes appointments for one- to three-year terms.

Nebraska's governor and official representative do not have the authority to put into effect any rules, regulations or decisions affecting the oil industry without public hearings. Commission membership is paid from the Nebraska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission's cash fund.

**Nebraska Representative**

**Position**

Pete Ricketts, Lincoln/Omaha (Member).....	Governor
William H. Sydow, Sidney (Official Representative).....	Director, Oil and Gas Conservation Commission

## Interstate Compact for Adult Offender Supervision

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**Statutory Reference:** 29-2640

The Interstate Commission for Adult Offender Supervision:

- provides cooperative supervision for offenders placed on probation or released on parole who request to relocate
- ensures uniform supervision and rehabilitation standards for out-of-state probationers and parolees
- promotes public safety and protects the rights of victims
- provides effective tracking and return procedures for probationers and parolees

## Republican River Compact

**Statutory References:** Appendix 1-106; U.S. May 26, 1943, c. 104

The Republican River Compact apportions the river's virgin water supply of the Republican River and its tributaries among Colorado, Kansas and Nebraska. The compact:

- provides for the most efficient use of Republican River Basin waters for multiple purposes
  - provides for equitable division of such waters
  - removes causes, present and future, which might lead to controversies
  - promotes interstate comity
  - recognizes that the most efficient use of the waters within the basin is for beneficial consumptive use
  - promotes joint action by the states and the United States in the efficient use of water and the control of destructive floods

In 1998, the State of Kansas sued the State of Nebraska alleging that Nebraska was violating the compact by using more than its allocated share of the water. The suit was expanded to include claims of overuse in Colorado and northwest Kansas. A settlement was reached in December 2002.

## Republican River Compact Administration

**Nebraska Contact Person:** Jim Schneider, Nebraska Department of Natural Resources, 301 Centennial Mall South, Fourth Floor, P.O. Box 94676, Lincoln, NE 68509-4676, phone (402) 471-2366, fax (402) 471-2900, website — [www.dnr.nebraska.gov](http://www.dnr.nebraska.gov)

The Republican River Compact Administration was established to carry out the Republican River Compact. The U.S. Geological Survey works with the compact administration to collect, correlate and publish water facts.

Administration members are the officials in each state who administer public water supplies. In Nebraska, the director of the Department of Natural Resources fulfills that role. The three administration members adopt rules and regulations to enforce the compact's provisions. The administration's chairperson is elected at its annual meeting. The chairmanship, support staff and storage files are rotated among the three compact states.

## South Dakota-Nebraska Boundary Compacts

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**Statutory References:** Appendix 1-123; federal law (55th Congress, Chapter 12, and 58th Congress, Chapter 1295)

Nebraska and South Dakota have entered into compacts to establish the boundary line between the two states. Congress passed two compacts in 1897 and 1905.

## South Platte River Compact

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**Statutory References:** Appendix 1-105; U.S. March 8, 1926, c. 46, 44 Stat. 195

Created by Congress in 1926, the South Platte River Compact provides for the use and disposition of South Platte River waters between Colorado and Nebraska. The two states approved the compact in 1923.

A commissioner from each state oversees the compact’s administration. Commissioners represent their states in negotiations, but the commissioners’ state legislatures must approve the agreements before they become binding. Nebraska’s commissioner serves at the governor’s pleasure.

<b>Nebraska Commissioner</b>	<b>Position</b>
Jim Schneider, Lincoln .....	Department of Natural Resources

## Wyoming-Nebraska Compact on Upper Niobrara River

**Nebraska Contact Person:** Jim Schneider, Nebraska Department of Natural Resources, 301 Centennial Mall South, Fourth Floor, P.O. Box 94676, Lincoln, NE 68509-4676, phone (402) 471-2366, fax (402) 471-2900, website — [www.dnr.nebraska.gov](http://www.dnr.nebraska.gov)

**Statutory Reference:** Appendix 1-112

In 1962, Nebraska and Wyoming entered the Wyoming-Nebraska Compact on Upper Niobrara River to govern its use. Congress authorized this compact with acts passed in 1953, 1958 and 1961. The compact:

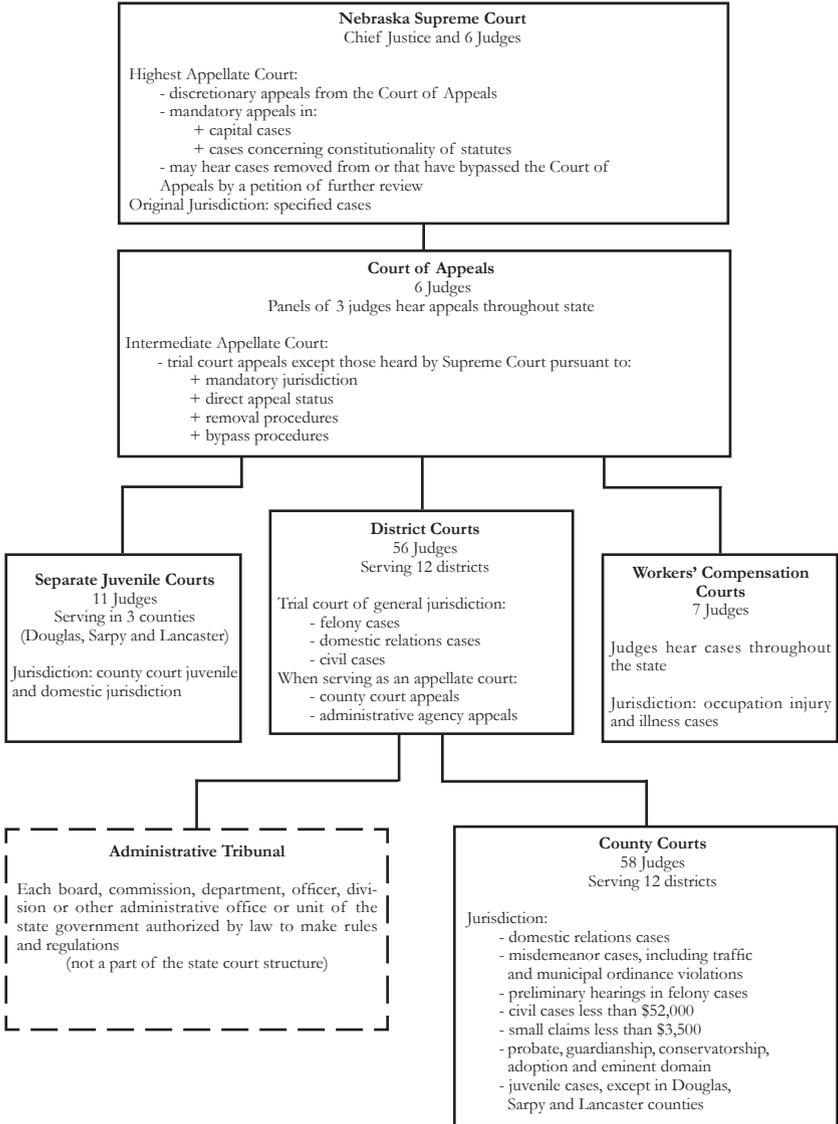
- fairly divides the river’s surface water between the two states
- fairly divides the river’s underground flow after reviewing information on ground-water and underground water flow
- promotes friendly relations over use of the river’s water by the two states
- works to solve water use problems that might lead to controversies

<b>Nebraska Official</b>	<b>Position</b>
Jim Schneider, Lincoln .....	Department of Natural Resources



**STATE JUDICIAL BRANCH**

# Nebraska Court Structure\*



\*Source: Nebraska State Court Administrator's Office.

# STATE JUDICIAL BRANCH

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The Nebraska court system is consolidated and unified. According to the Nebraska Constitution, judicial authority is distributed among the Supreme Court, Court of Appeals, district courts (general jurisdiction), county courts (limited jurisdiction) and other courts created by the Legislature. The state's other types of courts include the separate juvenile courts in Douglas, Lancaster and Sarpy counties and a workers' compensation court.

In 1970, the judicial article of the state constitution was amended, resulting in several significant changes in the state court system. The amendment gave the Nebraska Supreme Court general administrative authority over all Nebraska courts, eliminated the constitutional basis for the justice of the peace, consolidated the local courts and other courts of limited jurisdiction to form a uniform county court system and created the position of state court administrator. The Supreme Court appointed the first state court administrator in 1972.

The Supreme Court consists of a chief justice and six associate justices. The chief justice is selected by the governor from a statewide list of applicants, while the other six justices are chosen from regional lists. District court judges or selected retired judges may be called upon to help determine cases.

As amended in 1990, the state constitution guarantees the right of appeal to the Supreme Court in cases involving the death penalty, life imprisonment or constitutional questions. The 1990 constitutional amendment also allows all other cases, criminal or civil, to be appealed to the Court of Appeals.

The Court of Appeals consists of six judges appointed by the governor from lists submitted by judicial nominating commissions. The districts from which the Court of Appeals judges are appointed are the same as those used for the six Supreme Court judges. A chief judge of the Court of Appeals is appointed by the Supreme Court to serve a one-year renewable term.

The Supreme Court provides administrative and policy leadership for the state judicial system. The high court regulates the practice of law in Nebraska and appoints and monitors lawyers who serve on local inquiry committees and a state committee on discipline and professional responsibility. The Supreme Court also admits qualified applicants to the Nebraska State Bar Association and administers the state probation system, which handles adult and juvenile cases.

District courts are trial courts of general jurisdiction and serve as appellate courts in deciding some appeals from county courts and various administrative agencies. There are 12 judicial districts in Nebraska and 56 district judges who serve Nebraska's 93 counties. District courts hear felony and civil cases and some misdemeanors. Most appeals from the county courts are decided by judges of the district courts solely on the record. The 1980 Legislature changed the appeal procedure in all but small claims cases, requiring appeals to be heard on the record by a district judge. Small claims appeals are reheard in the district court.

Each county has an elected clerk of the district court who processes judgment records, maintains court dockets, secures transcripts from lower courts and performs other administrative duties.

There are 12 judicial districts in the Nebraska county court system, each composed of one to 17 counties, and 58 county court judges. Each county has a county court. County courts have exclusive original jurisdiction in probate, guardianship, conservatorship, adoption and eminent domain matters. County courts also have original jurisdiction in juvenile matters in counties that have no separate juvenile court. County courts also have concurrent jurisdiction with district courts in misdemeanor cases arising under state law and domestic relations cases. But, in practice, nearly all misdemeanor cases are tried in county courts. While civil jurisdiction is exercised concurrently with district courts, cases involving less than \$52,000 can be filed in county courts.

Each county court has a small claims court division. Small claims courts have jurisdiction in civil cases involving damages or an amount of money of \$3,500 or less. Clerk magistrates, who are hired by county judges, act as local administrators and have limited judicial responsibilities. They may accept pleas in traffic and misdemeanor cases, set bail and perform other judicial services.

Separate juvenile courts are courts of record and handle cases involving neglected, dependent and delinquent children. Juvenile courts can be created with approval of voters in counties with more than 75,000 people. Nebraska has 11 juvenile judges.

The workers' compensation court consists of seven judges who have statewide jurisdiction. They travel statewide to hold hearings in county seats. The workers' compensation court administers and enforces the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Act, and it has original jurisdiction over claims for workers' compensation benefits resulting from job-related injuries or illnesses. Disputed claims for workers' compensation are submitted to the court for finding, award, order or judgment. All industrial accidents must be reported to the court.

Prior to 1964, judges were elected to office. In 1962, voters approved a constitutional amendment providing for a merit plan for selection and retention of Supreme Court and district judges. Today, the governor appoints all judges, who are subject to periodic retention votes.

When a county or district judge dies, retires, resigns, is removed or is not retained in office, or when there is a need for a change in the number or boundaries of the judicial districts or a change in the number of judgeships required by law, a judicial resources commission meets to determine whether a vacancy exists and the location of the vacancy. Commission members include seven citizens, four judges and six attorneys. After the location is determined, a judicial nominating commission meets to accept applications for the available judgeship. The commission then submits the names of at least two qualified lawyers to the governor. Each judicial nominating commission is made up of four lawyers selected by the Nebraska State Bar Association and four nonlawyers appointed by the governor. The chairperson of the judicial nominating commission is a member of the Supreme Court. This judge is a nonvoting member. A commission must have no more than two lawyers or two nonlawyer members from either political party, and members must live in the district in which they serve. Generally, the governor

makes final decisions on who will become the new judge. However, if the governor makes no appointment within 60 days after receiving the list of nominees, the chief justice makes the appointment from the list.

Judges in Nebraska courts must be U.S. citizens, be at least 30 years old, have been lawyers in Nebraska for at least five years before appointment, be admitted to practice before the Nebraska Supreme Court and be residents and qualified electors of the districts to be represented on the date of appointment. District, county and separate juvenile court judges must continue living in their districts while serving. Workers' compensation court judges must live in Lancaster County unless court members vote for a judge to live elsewhere.

A judge must run for retention in office at the first general election held more than three years after his or her appointment and every six years thereafter. Judges may retire at age 65 but are not required to retire at any age. Earlier retirement due to disability may be approved by the Commission on Judicial Qualifications, which also investigates complaints against judges.

In 1966, Nebraska voters adopted a constitutional amendment providing for the Commission on Judicial Qualifications, which reviews complaints from the public about judges' behavior. The commission can reprimand judges and order formal hearings on the matters in question. The 10-member commission is composed of the chief justice, who serves as its permanent chairperson; three judges appointed by the Supreme Court; three lawyers appointed by the Nebraska State Bar Association; and three citizens appointed by the governor. State law says judges may be disciplined for behavior that violates the laws and purposes of their office, misconduct in office, failure to perform their duties, conviction of a crime involving moral turpitude or disbarment.



## NEBRASKA SUPREME COURT

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**State Court Administrator:** Corey R. Steel

**Statutory References:** Nebraska Constitution, Article V, Section 1; and 24-201

**Salary of Supreme Court Judges:** \$160,540

**Publications:** *Nebraska Reports, Volumes 1-213*

The Nebraska Supreme Court had its origin in the Organic Act, which created the Nebraska Territory on May 30, 1854. This act declared that the Supreme Court shall consist of a chief justice and two associate judges. The constitutions of 1866 and 1875 provided for three judges. Before the constitution of 1875, the Supreme Court judges also presided over district courts. As the Supreme Court caseload increased, the 1901 Legislature authorized the Supreme Court to appoint nine commissioners to help clear the docket. The 1905 Legislature reduced the number of Supreme Court commissioners to six. By a 1908 constitutional amendment, Supreme Court membership increased from three to seven judges. Legislation passed in 1913 provided for electing judges on a nonpartisan ballot starting in 1914. An amendment submitted by the 1920 constitutional convention called for six judges to be elected by the electors of six districts, with the chief justice to be elected at large.

To speed up the court's work, an amendment submitted by the constitutional convention of 1920 allowed the Supreme Court to sit in division, empowering the chief justice to appoint district judges to sit with the Supreme Court in order to have five judges in each division. Cases involving a statute's constitutionality and all appeals of homicide convictions had to be heard by the undivided court. In 1925 and 1927, the Legislature provided for six Supreme Court commissioners to help with the court's caseload. The 1929 Legislature reduced the number of commissioners to three. Commissioners were no longer used after 1931 at the request of the court.

The Supreme Court consists of a chief justice selected at large and six associate justices selected from six districts in Nebraska. Judges must be at least 30 years old and have lived in Nebraska for at least three years before their selection.

The Supreme Court has original jurisdiction in cases relating to revenue, civil cases in which the state is a party, mandamus, quo warranto, habeus corpus, election contests involving state officers other than state senators, and appellate jurisdiction as may be provided by law. The Supreme Court also hears all appeal cases regarding the death penalty, the sentence of life imprisonment or cases in which constitutional questions are raised. The judges comprise the State Library board of directors.

Judge	Represents	Term Expires
William B. Cassel, O'Neill.....	District 3.....	January 2017
William M. Connolly, Hastings .....	District 5.....	January 2017
Michael G. Heavican, Lincoln (Chief Justice) ..	State At Large .....	January 2017
Michael McCormack, Omaha .....	District 4.....	January 2019
Lindsey Miller-Lerman, Omaha.....	District 2.....	January 2021
Kenneth C. Stephan, Lincoln .....	District 1.....	January 2019
John F. Wright, Scottsbluff.....	District 6.....	January 2017

## Nebraska Supreme Court Judges, 2015



### MICHAEL G. HEAVICAN (CHIEF JUSTICE)

#### STATE AT LARGE

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**Took office as Nebraska Supreme Court Chief Justice:** Oct. 1, 2006, to replace retiring Chief Justice John V. Hendry; retained in office 2010

**Biography:** Born Aug. 4, 1947, in Columbus. Graduate of University of Nebraska-Lincoln (B.A.), 1969; University of Nebraska College of Law (J.D.), 1974. Former: U.S. Attorney for the District of Nebraska, appointed by President George W. Bush on Sept. 21, 2001, 2001-06; Acting First Assistant U.S. Attorney, Criminal Chief, Acting U.S. Attorney, 1991-2001; Lancaster County Attorney, 1981-90; Deputy Lancaster County Attorney, 1975-81. **Member:** Conference of Chief Justices, 2006 to present (president, 2013-14); board of directors, National Center for State Courts, 2011 to present (chair, 2013-14); Committee on Federal-State Jurisdiction, Judicial

Conference of the United States, 2011 to present; Special Committee on Uniform Bar Examination, 2011 to present. **Former Member:** Professionalism Committee, Conference of Chief Justices (chair); United States Attorney General's Advisory Committee (2001-02); Controlled Substances Subcommittee, United States Attorney General's Advisory Committee (chair, 2001-02).

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#### DISTRICT 1

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**Took office as Nebraska Supreme Court Judge:** March 10, 1997, to replace retiring Judge Dale E. Fahrbruch; retained in office 2000, 2006 and 2012

**Biography:** Born in Omaha. Graduate of Omaha Central High School, 1964; University of Nebraska (B.A.), 1968; University of Nebraska College of Law (J.D. with high distinction), 1972. Married Sharon Ross Stephan, April 19, 1969; three children: Alissa Potocnik, Karen Borchert and Charles Stephan. Military service: U.S. Army, 1969-71. Former: private practice attorney with Knudsen, Berkheimer, Richardson, Endacott & Routh, Lincoln, 1973-97. **Member:** Nebraska State Bar Association (former chairman, Young Lawyers Section; former member, House of Delegates); Lincoln Bar Association (former member, board of trustees); judicial fellow, American College of Trial Lawyers; Robert Van Pelt American Inn of Court.



## Nebraska Supreme Court Judges, 2015 (Cont'd.)



### LINDSEY MILLER-LERMAN DISTRICT 2

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**Took office as Nebraska Supreme Court Judge:** Sept. 1, 1998, to replace retiring Judge D. Nick Caporale; retained in office 2002, 2008 and 2014

**Biography:** Graduate of Wellesley College, Wellesley, Mass. (B.A.), 1968; Columbia University School of Law, New York City (J.D.), 1973. Two children: Hannah and Jeremy. Former: chief judge, Nebraska Court of Appeals, 1995-98; judge, Nebraska Court of Appeals, 1992-95; partner, Kutak Rock & Campbell, 1980-92; associate, Kutak Rock & Huie, 1976-79; law clerk and research assistant positions held at various locations, 1969-75; law clerk, U.S. District Court (Southern District of New York). **Member:** American Bar Association; Association of the Bar of the City of New York; National

Association of Women Judges; Nebraska State Bar Association; Omaha Bar Association. **Former member:** board of directors, Tuesday Musical; Judicial Ethics Committee, Securities Industry Association, Compliance and Legal Division; chairwoman, Civil Procedure and Practice Committee of the Federal Court, District of Nebraska; member, Program Committee of the Judicial Conference for the Court of Appeals, 8th Circuit; board of directors, Landmarks Preservation Inc.; board of directors, Children's Museum; board of directors, Art Omaha. **Publications:** *Creighton Law Review*; *Litigation News & Notes*; *American Bar Association Journal*; *The National Law Journal*; *Columbia Law Review*; *Wisconsin Law Review*; *Annals of Internal Medicine*. **Honors and awards:** College of St. Mary, Omaha (honorary doctorate), 1993.

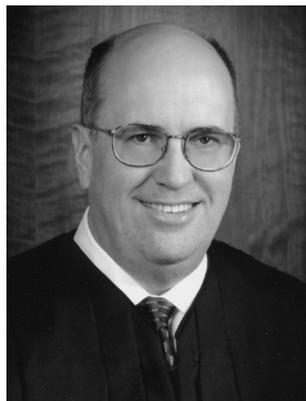
### WILLIAM B. CASSEL

### DISTRICT 3

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**Took Office as Nebraska Supreme Court Judge:** May 9, 2012, to replace Judge John M. Gerrard, who was appointed to the federal bench

**Biography:** Born Sept. 20, 1955, in Ainsworth. Graduate of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln (B.S. in accounting with distinction), 1977; University of Nebraska College of Law (J.D. with distinction), 1979. Married Audrey J. Cassel, Aug. 12, 1978; two children, John Benjamin and Christina Marie. Former: appeals court judge, 3rd district, 2004-12; district court judge, 15th district (merged into 8th district), 1992-2004; sole practitioner, Cassel and Cassel, 1981-92; partner, Cassel and Cassel, 1979-81; Johnstown city attorney, 1981-92; Long Pine city attorney, 1981-92; Ainsworth city attorney, 1979-92. **Member:** Nebraska State Bar Association (judiciary committee, 1999-2005; house of delegates, 1983-92; committee on real estate practice guidelines, 1987-97; chairman, 1988-90; legal services advisory committee, 1987-89, chairman 1987-88); American Bar Association; Supreme Court Committee on Technology, 1999-present and chairman, 2004-present; Supreme Court Automation Advisory Committee, 1995-present. **Former member:** Judicial Ethics Committee, 2002-04 and 2007-12; Supreme Court Committee on Pro Se Litigation, 2001-2004; District Judges Education Committee, 1995-2004; member and board secretary, Ainsworth Airport Authority,



## Nebraska Supreme Court Judges, 2015 (Cont'd.)

### WILLIAM B CASSEL

### DISTRICT 3 (CONT'D.)

1980-92. **Honors and awards:** Warren K. Urbom Mentor Award; Robert Van Pelt American Inn of Court, 2012; co-recipient, Nebraska Supreme Court award for Distinguished Judge for Improvement of the Judiciary, 2011; co-recipient, Nebraska Supreme Court award for Distinguished Judge for Service to the Community, 2002; fellow, Nebraska State Bar Foundation, elected 1994; fellow, American Bar Foundation, elected 2006.



### MICHAEL McCORMACK

### DISTRICT 4

**Office Address:** Room 2218, State Capitol, P.O. Box 98910, Lincoln, NE 68509-8910, phone (402) 471-4345, fax (402) 471-3482

**Took office as Nebraska Supreme Court Judge:** March 19, 1997, to replace Judge David J. Lanphier, who was voted out of office in 1996; retained in office 2000, 2006 and 2012.

**Biography:** Born July 20, 1939, in Omaha. Graduate of Creighton University (J.D.), 1963. Married Mary Kay Hartmann, April 22, 1967; three children: Kelley, Kris and Shannon. Former: attorney with McCormack, Cooney, Hillman & Elder, Omaha; Deputy Douglas County Public Defender.

### WILLIAM M. CONNOLLY

### DISTRICT 5

**Office Address:** Room 2210, State Capitol, P.O. Box 98910, Lincoln, NE 68509-8910, phone (402) 471-3733, fax (402) 471-2197

**Took office as Nebraska Supreme Court Judge:** Dec. 15, 1994, to replace retiring Judge Leslie Boslaugh; retained in office 1998, 2004 and 2010

**Biography:** Graduate of Creighton Preparatory School, 1956; Creighton University School of Law (J.D.), 1963. Married Betty Conley Wade. Three children: Cecilia Smith, Thomas G. Connolly and Katherine Connolly; two stepchildren: Roxanne Stingley and Jon P. Wade. Former: Nebraska Court of Appeals judge, 1992-94; Conway, Connolly & Pauley, 1972-91; Adams County attorney, 1967-72; deputy Adams County attorney, 1964-66. **Member:** judicial fellow, American College of Trial Lawyers. **Former member:** executive council, Nebraska State Bar Association, 1986-90; board of directors, Nebraska Association of Trial Attorneys, 1972-76; Nebraska State Bar Association House of Delegates, 1971-73; president, Nebraska County Attorneys Association, 1972.



## Nebraska Supreme Court Judges, 2015 (Cont'd.)

### JOHN F. WRIGHT

### DISTRICT 6

**Office Address:** Room 2207, State Capitol, P.O. Box 98910, Lincoln, NE 68509-8910, phone (402) 471-3735, fax (402) 471-3480

**Took office as Nebraska Supreme Court Judge:** Feb. 25, 1994, to replace retiring Judge Thomas M. Shanahan; retained in office 1998, 2004 and 2010

**Biography:** Born Dec. 24, 1945, in Scottsbluff. Graduate of University of Nebraska (B.S.), 1967; University of Nebraska College of Law (J.D.), 1970. Married Deborah Johnson, July 7, 1972; four children: Jane, Charles, John Floyd and Ellen. Military service: U.S. Army, 1970; Nebraska National Guard, 1970-76. Former: Nebraska Court of Appeals judge, 1992-94; private practice attorney, 1970-91. **Former member:** Judicial Ethics Advisory Committee, 1992-94; Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education, 1991-92; Scottsbluff Rotary Club, 1972-92; Teacher Enrichment Committee, 1988-91; Scottsbluff Board of Education, 1980-87 (president 1984, 1986); president, Western Nebraska Bar Association, 1986; board of directors, Panhandle Legal Services, 1970-74.



## Nebraska Supreme Court Judges, 1854-2015

### Territorial

Judge	Term of Office
Fenner Ferguson.....	1854-1857
Edward R. Harden.....	1854-1860
James Bradley.....	1854-1857
J.W. Underwood.....	1857 <sup>1</sup>
Samuel W. Black.....	1857-1859
Eleazer Wakeley.....	1857-1861
Augustus Hall.....	1858-1861
Joseph Miller.....	1859-1860
William Pitt Kellogg.....	1861-1865 <sup>2</sup>
William F. Lockwood.....	1861-1867
Joseph E. Streeter.....	1861-1863
Elmer S. Dundy.....	1863-1867
William Kellogg.....	1865-1867

<sup>1</sup> Listed as an associate judge of the Supreme Court in Complete Session Laws, 1855-87, Vol. 1, Page 370.

<sup>2</sup> Granted leave of absence by President Lincoln to join the 7th Illinois Cavalry. Served as colonel in the regiment from Sept. 8, 1861, to June 1, 1862. Resigned as territorial chief justice in 1865.

### State

Judge	Supreme Court Term of Office	Chief Justice Term of Office	Associate Term of Office
William A. Little <sup>3</sup> .....	-	-	-
Oliver P. Mason.....	1867 <sup>4</sup> -1873	1867-1873	-
George B. Lake.....	1867-1884	1873-1878	1867-1873
	-	1882-1884	1878-1882
Lorenzo Crouse.....	1867-1873	-	1867-1873
Daniel Gantt.....	1873-1878 <sup>5</sup>	1878	1873-1878
Samuel Maxwell.....	1873-1894	1878-1882	1873-1878
	-	1886-1888	1882-1886
	-	1892-1894	1888-1892
Amasa Cobb.....	1878 <sup>6</sup> -1892	1884-1886	1878-1884
	-	1890-1892	1886-1890
Manoah B. Reese.....	1884-1890	1888-1890	1884-1888
	1908-1915	1909-1915	1908-1909
T.L. Norval.....	1890-1902	1894-1896	1890-1894
	-	1900-1902	1896-1900
Alfred M. Post.....	1892-1898	1896-1898	1892-1896
T.O.C. Harrison.....	1894-1900	1898-1900	1894-1898
John J. Sullivan.....	1898-1904	1902-1904	1898-1902
Silas A. Holcomb.....	1900-1906	1904-1906	1900-1904
Samuel H. Sedgwick.....	1902-1908	1906-1908	1902-1906
	1910-1915 <sup>5</sup>	-	1910-1919
John B. Barnes.....	1904-1917	1908-1909	1904-1907
	-	-	1909-1917
Charles B. Letton.....	1906-1925	-	1906-1925
James R. Dean.....	1909 <sup>7</sup> -1910	-	1909-1910
	1917-1935	-	1917-1935
Jesse L. Root.....	1909 <sup>7</sup> -1911	-	1909-1911

## Nebraska Supreme Court Judges, 1854-2015 (Cont'd.)

### State (Cont'd.)

Judge	Supreme Court Term of Office	Chief Justice Term of Office	Associate Term of Office
Jacob Fawcett.....	1909 <sup>7</sup> -1917	1915 <sup>8</sup>	1909-1917
William Rose.....	1909 <sup>7</sup> -1943	-	1909-1943
Francis G. Hamer.....	1911-1918 <sup>5</sup>	-	1911-1918
Conrad Hollenbeck.....	1915 <sup>5,9</sup>	1915	-
Andrew M. Morrissey.....	1915 <sup>10</sup> -1927	1915-1927	-
Albert J. Cornish.....	1917-1920 <sup>3</sup>	-	1917-1920
Chester H. Aldrich.....	1918 <sup>11</sup> -1924 <sup>5</sup>	-	1918-1924
Leonard A. Flansburg.....	1920 <sup>12</sup> -1923	-	1920-1923
George A. Day.....	1920 <sup>13</sup> -1927 <sup>5</sup>	-	1920-1927
Edward E. Good.....	1923-1937 <sup>5</sup>	-	1923-1937
W.H. Thompson.....	1924 <sup>14</sup> -1931	-	1924-1931
Robert E. Evans.....	1925 <sup>5</sup>	-	1925
George A. Eberly.....	1925 <sup>15</sup> -1943	-	1925-1943
Charles A. Goss.....	1927-1938 <sup>5</sup>	1927-1938	-
Francis S. Howell.....	1928 <sup>16</sup> -1929	-	1928-1929
L.B. Day.....	1929-1938 <sup>5</sup>	-	1929-1938
Bayard H. Paine.....	1931-1949	-	1931-1949
Edward F. Carter.....	1935-1971	-	1935-1971
Frederick Messmore.....	1937 <sup>17</sup> -1965	-	1937-1965
Harvey M. Johnsen.....	1939 <sup>18</sup> -1940	-	1939-1940
Robert G. Simmons.....	1939 <sup>19</sup> -1963	1939-1963	-
John W. Yeager.....	1941 <sup>20</sup> -1965	-	1941-1965
E.B. Chappell.....	1943-1961	-	1943-1961
Adolph E. Wenke.....	1943-1961 <sup>3</sup>	-	1943-1961
P.E. Boslaugh.....	1949-1961	-	1949-1961
Harry A. Spencer.....	1961-1979 <sup>23</sup>	1978 <sup>21</sup>	1961-1979
Leslie Boslaugh.....	1961-1994 <sup>23</sup>	-	1961-1994
Robert C. Brower.....	1961 <sup>22</sup> -1967	-	1961-1967
Paul W. White.....	1963-1978 <sup>23</sup>	1963-1978	-
Hale McCown.....	1965 <sup>24</sup> -1983 <sup>23</sup>	-	1965-1983
Robert L. Smith.....	1965 <sup>24</sup> -1973 <sup>23</sup>	-	1965-1973
John E. Newton.....	1967 <sup>24</sup> -1977 <sup>23</sup>	-	1967-1977
Lawrence M. Clinton.....	1971 <sup>24</sup> -1982 <sup>5</sup>	-	1971-1982
Donald Brodkey.....	1974 <sup>24</sup> -1982 <sup>23</sup>	-	1974-1982
C. Thomas White.....	1977 <sup>25</sup> -1998 <sup>23</sup>	1995-1998	1977-1995
Norman Krivosha.....	1978 <sup>24</sup> -1987 <sup>26</sup>	1978-1987	-
William C. Hastings.....	1979 <sup>27</sup> -1995 <sup>23</sup>	1987-1995	1979-1987
D. Nick Caporale.....	1982 <sup>28</sup> -1998 <sup>23</sup>	-	1982-1998
Thomas M. Shanahan.....	1983 <sup>29</sup> -1993 <sup>33</sup>	-	1983-1993
John T. Grant.....	1983 <sup>30</sup> -1993 <sup>23</sup>	-	1983-1993
Dale E. Fahrnbruch.....	1987 <sup>31</sup> -1996 <sup>23</sup>	-	1987-1996
David J. Lanphier.....	1993 <sup>32</sup> -1997 <sup>37</sup>	-	1993-1997
John F. Wright.....	1994 <sup>34</sup> -	-	1994-
William M. Connolly.....	1994 <sup>35</sup> -	-	1994-
John M. Gerrard.....	1995 <sup>36</sup> -2012 <sup>43</sup>	-	1995-2012
Kenneth C. Stephan.....	1997 <sup>38</sup> -	-	1997-
Michael McCormack.....	1997 <sup>39</sup> -	-	1997-
John V. Hendry.....	1998 <sup>40</sup> -2006 <sup>23</sup>	1998-2006	1998-2006

## Nebraska Supreme Court Judges, 1854-2015 (Cont'd.) State (Cont'd.)

Judge	Supreme Court Term of Office	Chief Justice Term of Office	Associate Term of Office
Lindsay Miller-Lerman .....	1998 <sup>41</sup> -	-	1998-
Michael G. Heavican.....	2006 <sup>42</sup> -	2006-	2006-
William B. Cassel.....	2012 <sup>44</sup> -		2012-

### Endnotes

<sup>3</sup> Elected in 1867 but died before he qualified.

<sup>4</sup> Appointed in 1867; elected in 1868.

<sup>5</sup> Died while in office.

<sup>6</sup> Appointed in 1878 to fill vacancy created by death of Chief Justice Gantt, then elected 1879.

<sup>7</sup> Constitutional amendment approved in 1908 increased number of Supreme Court judges from three to seven. The governor appointed four judges, two to serve until successors were elected in the 1909 general election, and the other two to serve until successors were elected in the 1911 general election.

<sup>8</sup> Acting chief justice Jan. 21 to 25, 1915.

<sup>9</sup> Served from Jan. 7 to 21, 1915; died Jan. 21, 1915.

<sup>10</sup> Appointed chief justice Jan. 25, 1915, to fill vacancy created by death of Chief Justice Hollenbeck.

<sup>11</sup> Appointed Nov. 16, 1918, to fill vacancy created by death of Judge Hamer. Aldrich died March 10, 1924.

<sup>12</sup> Appointed April 21, 1920, to fill vacancy created by death of Judge Cornish.

<sup>13</sup> Appointed Jan. 8, 1920, to fill vacancy created by death of Judge Sedgwick. Judge Day died Dec. 20, 1927.

<sup>14</sup> Appointed April 15, 1924, to fill vacancy created by death of Judge Aldrich.

<sup>15</sup> Appointed July 24, 1925, to fill vacancy created by death of Judge Evans.

<sup>16</sup> Appointed Dec. 29, 1927, to fill vacancy created by death of Judge George A. Day.

<sup>17</sup> Appointed Aug. 9, 1937, to fill vacancy created by death of Judge Good.

<sup>18</sup> Appointed Nov. 28, 1938, to fill vacancy created by death of Judge L. B. Day. Term began Jan. 3, 1939. Resigned Nov. 8, 1940, upon appointment to U.S. Circuit Court.

<sup>19</sup> Appointed Nov. 12, 1938, to fill vacancy created by death of Chief Justice Goss. Term began Jan. 5, 1939.

<sup>20</sup> Appointed Nov. 18, 1940, to fill vacancy created by resignation of Judge Johnsen.

<sup>21</sup> Served as chief justice pro tempore from Sept. 18 to Dec. 22, 1978.

<sup>22</sup> Appointed March 13, 1961, to fill vacancy created by death of Judge Wenke.

<sup>23</sup> Retired.

<sup>24</sup> Appointed to fill vacancy.

<sup>25</sup> Appointed Jan. 6, 1977, to replace retiring Judge Newton. Named chief justice Jan. 26, 1995, to replace retiring Chief Justice Hastings.

<sup>26</sup> Resigned July 31, 1987.

<sup>27</sup> Appointed Jan. 31, 1979, to replace retiring Judge Spencer. Named chief justice Sept. 2, 1987, following resignation of Chief Justice Krivosha.

<sup>28</sup> Appointed Dec. 21, 1981, to replace retiring Judge Brodkey.

<sup>29</sup> Appointed March 24, 1983, to fill vacancy created by death of Judge Clinton.

<sup>30</sup> Appointed Sept. 1, 1983, to replace retiring Judge McCown.

<sup>31</sup> Appointed Nov. 13, 1987, to fill vacancy created when Judge Hastings was named chief justice.

<sup>32</sup> Appointed Oct. 14, 1992, to replace retiring Judge Grant.

<sup>33</sup> Resigned to serve on federal court bench.

<sup>34</sup> Appointed Jan. 27, 1994, to replace Judge Shanahan, who resigned to serve on federal court bench.

<sup>35</sup> Appointed Nov. 17, 1994, to replace retiring Judge Leslie Boslaugh.

<sup>36</sup> Appointed April 20, 1995, to fill vacancy created when Judge C. Thomas White was named chief justice.

<sup>37</sup> Voters removed Judge Lanphier from the bench in 1996.

<sup>38</sup> Appointed Jan. 27, 1997, to replace retiring Judge Farhnbruch.

<sup>39</sup> Appointed Jan. 28, 1997, to fill vacancy created when voters removed Judge Lanphier from the bench.

<sup>40</sup> Appointed chief justice Aug. 5, 1998, to replace retiring Chief Justice C. Thomas White.

<sup>41</sup> Appointed Aug. 5, 1998, to replace retiring Judge Caporale.

<sup>42</sup> Appointed Oct. 1, 2006, to replace retiring Judge Hendry.

<sup>43</sup> Resigned Feb. 2, 2012, to serve on federal court bench.

<sup>44</sup> Appointed April 26, 2012, to fill vacancy created when Judge Gerrard accepted an appointment to serve on federal court bench.

## Supreme Court Officers

### *State Court Administrator*

**Office Address:** Room 1213, State Capitol, P.O. Box 98910, Lincoln, NE 68509-8910, phone (402) 471-3730, website — [www.supremecourt.ne.gov](http://www.supremecourt.ne.gov)

**State Court Administrator:** Corey R. Steel

**Statutory Reference:** Nebraska Constitution, Article V, Section 1

The Nebraska Constitution, as amended in 1970, vests general administrative authority over all courts in the Supreme Court and provides that the chief justice exercise this authority. It also provides that the chief justice serve as executive head of the courts and may appoint an administrative director.

The court administrator develops coordination within the judicial branch and with other agencies involved in programs affecting the courts. The administrator also develops statistics, prepares budgets, develops plans for judicial system improvement and serves as a central source for information about the courts.

Offices under the state court administrator include the Office of the Public Guardian, Judicial Branch Education, Division of Attorney Services, the JUSTICE System, Court Improvement Project, Counsel for Discipline and the Office of Dispute Resolution.

### *Office of Dispute Resolution*

**Office Address:** State Capitol, Twelfth Floor, P.O. Box 98910, Lincoln, NE 68509-8910, phone (402) 471-2766, website — [www.supremecourt.ne.gov](http://www.supremecourt.ne.gov)

**Director:** Debora Denny

**Statutory Reference:** 25-2904

The 1991 Legislature created the Office of Dispute Resolution within the office of the state court administrator. The state office coordinates the development of mediation throughout the state and approves mediation centers, which serve as an alternative means to resolving problems. Mediators are neutral individuals who help conflicting parties resolve their problems mutually. The mediation centers can handle all types of civil cases, such as family and juvenile matters, landlord/tenant, employer/employee, community, environmental, welfare, business, education, public policy and small claims disputes. The mediation centers receive referrals from courts, agencies, legislatures, government agencies, organizations and individuals. Regional mediation centers serve all counties in Nebraska.

### **Dispute Resolution Advisory Council**

**Statutory Reference:** 25-2905

When the Office of Dispute Resolution was created in 1991, the Legislature also created an advisory council to assist the office's implementation of the Dispute Resolution Act. The 11 council members are appointed by the state Supreme Court. Members include representatives from the Nebraska District Court Judges Association, Nebraska County Judges Association, Nebraska State Bar Association, Office of the Public Coun-

sel, social workers, mental health professionals, educators and other interested groups or individuals. Two nonvoting ex officio members are appointed to represent mediation centers. Members serve three-year terms. The council meets at least four times per year. Members are not paid but are reimbursed for expenses.

Member	Represents	Term Expires
Kristen Blankley, Lincoln.....	UNL College of Law.....	Dec. 31, 2017
Kimberly Booth, Omaha.....	Nebraska State Bar Association.....	Dec. 31, 2017
Robert Denton, Fremont.....	Attorney.....	Dec. 31, 2017
Timothy R. Engler, Lincoln.....	Attorney.....	Dec. 31, 2016
Lorin Galvin, Omaha.....	Ex Officio.....	Dec. 31, 2015
Bryan Hanson, Omaha.....	Creighton University School of Law.....	Dec. 31, 2015
Hon. Roger Heideman, Lincoln.....	Juvenile Court Judge.....	Dec. 31, 2016
Casey Karges, Omaha.....	Ex Officio.....	Dec. 31, 2016
Hon. Randall Lippstreu, Gering.....	District Court Judge.....	Dec. 31, 2015
Jane Martin-Hoffman, Fremont.....	Ex Officio.....	Dec. 31, 2015
Hon. Michael W. Pirtle, Omaha.....	Appeals Court Judge.....	Dec. 31, 2016
Hon. Randin Roland, Sidney.....	County Court Judge.....	Dec. 31, 2017
Chris Hanus Schulenberg, Lincoln.....	Health and Human Services.....	Dec. 31, 2017
Hon. Stephanie Stacey, Lincoln.....	District Court Judge.....	Dec. 31, 2015

### *Reporter of the Supreme Court and Court of Appeals*

**Office Address:** State Capitol, P.O. Box 98910, Lincoln, NE 68509-8910, phone (402) 471-3739, website — [www.supremecourt.ne.gov](http://www.supremecourt.ne.gov).

**Reporter of the Supreme Court and Court of Appeals:** Peggy J. Polacek

**Statutory References:** 24-211 and 24-1109

The reporter of the Supreme Court and Court of Appeals is appointed by the Supreme Court and performs the following functions:

- oversees editing of Supreme Court and Court of Appeals decisions; has such decisions published in advance pamphlet form and bound volumes; has bound volumes of decisions copyrighted

- supervises preparation and editing of annotations to the Supreme Court, Court of Appeals and federal court decisions and has such annotations transmitted to the revisor of statutes

- performs other functions as directed by the courts

### *Clerk of the Supreme Court*

**Office Address:** Room 2413, State Capitol, P.O. Box 98910, Lincoln, NE 68509-8910, phone (402) 471-3731

**Clerk of the Supreme Court:** Teresa A. Brown

**Statutory References:** 24-211 and 24-1109

The state constitution authorizes the Supreme Court to appoint the clerk of the court. The clerk is custodian of the seal of the court and performs other duties as ordered by the court. The clerk of the Supreme Court also serves as the clerk of the Court of Appeals.

*State Library*

**Office Address:** State Capitol, Third Floor, P.O. Box 98931, Lincoln, NE 68509-8931, phone (402) 471-3189

**State Librarian:** Marie Wiechman

**Statutory Reference:** 51-101

The state library is the oldest public library in the state. The Kansas-Nebraska Act of May 30, 1854, established a territorial library to be kept at the seat of state government, then in Omaha, for members of the government and others as prescribed by law.

The Legislature created the office of territorial librarian in March 1855. The library's collection grew to about 4,000 books by 1860. The territorial auditor and later the secretary of state served as librarian. In 1868, the library was secretly moved in the middle of the night from Omaha to the new Capitol in Lincoln. In 1871, the library was separated into two sections: law and miscellaneous. The clerk of the Supreme Court was responsible for the law books. The secretary of state retained the miscellaneous collection. Both collections were put under the supervision of the Supreme Court clerk in 1913. In 1968, the miscellaneous collection was given to other libraries, leaving only law books in the state library.

There are about 140,500 volumes housed in the library's quarters. The Supreme Court judges constitute the library's governing board.

**Nebraska Territorial Supreme Court Officers, 1855-67\****Librarians*

James S. Izard.....	March 16, 1855	Alonzo D. Luce .....	Nov. 7, 1859
H. C. Anderson.....	Nov. 6, 1855	Robert S. Knox.....	June 1861
John H. Kellom .....	Aug. 3, 1957		

*Clerks of the Supreme Court*

J. Sterling Morton .....	1855	E. B. Chandler.....	1859
H. C. Anderson.....	1856	John H. Kellom .....	1861
Charles S. Salisbury .....	1858	William Kellogg, Jr.....	1865

\*All dates listed indicate beginning of terms.

## Nebraska State Supreme Court Officers, 1867-2015

### *State Librarians\**

Thomas P. Kennard ..... June 22, 1867      William H. James ..... Jan. 10, 1871

### *Clerk of the Supreme Court\**

George Armstrong ..... June 11, 1867

### *Supreme Court Commissioners<sup>1</sup>*

Robert Ryan ..... 1893-1899	Edward E. Good ..... 1907-1909
John M. Ragan ..... 1893-1899	Elisha C. Calkins ..... 1907-1909
Frank Irvine ..... 1893-1899	Jesse L. Root ..... 1908-1909
William G. Hastings ..... 1901-1904	William C. Parriott ..... 1915-1919
George A. Day ..... 1901-1902	Grant C. Martin ..... 1915-1919
John S. Kirkpatrick ..... 1901-1904	Fred O. McGirr ..... 1915-1919
Willis D. Oldham ..... 1901-1906	Franklin Shotwell ..... 1919-1919
Samuel H. Sedgwick ..... 1901-1902	Leonard A. Flansburg ..... 1919-1920
Roscoe Pound ..... 1901-1902	William C. Dorsey ..... 1919-1921
Edward Duffie ..... 1901-1909	George W. Tibbets ..... 1919-1921
John H. Ames ..... 1901-1907	..... 1925-1929
I. L. Albert ..... 1901-1907	William M. Cain ..... 1920-1921
Charles S. Lobingier ..... 1902-1903	John C. Martin ..... 1925-1929
Richard C. Glanville ..... 1902-1903	Thomas F. Neighbors ..... 1925-1927
Charles B. Letton ..... 1902-1906	William T. Thompson ..... 1925-1929
John B. Barnes ..... 1902-1904	Charles E. Sandall ..... 1925-1929
Jacob Fawcett ..... 1904-1908	Wilmer W. Wilson ..... 1925-1931
N. D. Jackson ..... 1905-1909	Frederick L. Wolff ..... 1927-1931
Ambrose C. Epperson ..... 1906-1909	Claude A. Davis ..... 1928-1931

### *Clerks and Reporters of the Supreme Court and State Librarians*

Guy A. Brown ..... 1868-1889 <sup>2</sup>	Lee Herdman ..... 1900-1904
Walter A. Leese ..... 1889 <sup>3</sup>	Harry C. Lindsay ..... 1904-1921
D. A. Campbell ..... 1890-1900	

### *Clerks of the Supreme Court*

Harry C. Lindsay ..... 1921-1927	Kenneth A. Wade ..... 1983-1987 <sup>4</sup>
Charles B. Letton ..... 1927-1932	Lanet S. Asmussen ..... 1987-2014
George H. Turner ..... 1932-1977	Teresa A. Brown ..... 2014-
Larry D. Donnelson ..... 1977-1983	

### *Reporters of the Supreme Court*

J. M. Woolworth ..... 1870*	Marvin L. Green ..... 1977-1979
Lorenzo Crouse ..... 1873*	Jill Nagy ..... 1980-1981
Henry P. Stoddart ..... 1921-1944	Don Patton ..... 1981-1986
Walter D. James ..... 1944-1945 <sup>6</sup>	Kathleen Sollars ..... 1987-1989 <sup>7</sup>
William E. Peters ..... 1968-1971	Steven R. Schroeder ..... 1989-1992 <sup>8</sup>
H. Emerson Kokjer ..... 1971-1977	Peggy J. Polacek ..... 1992-

## Nebraska State Supreme Court Officers, 1867-2015 (Cont'd.)

### *Reporter of the Supreme Court and Revisor of Statutes*

Walter D. James.....1945<sup>9</sup>-1968<sup>10</sup>

\* Dates listed indicate beginning of terms.

<sup>1</sup>The use of Supreme Court commissioners was terminated in 1931, at the request of the Supreme Court.

<sup>2</sup>Appointed clerk Aug. 8, 1868, and appointed librarian March 3, 1871. Appointed reporter 1875; died Oct. 27, 1889.

<sup>3</sup>Appointed Oct. 29, 1889.

<sup>4</sup>Appointed acting clerk of the Supreme Court and state librarian 1983 and served until 1987.

<sup>5</sup>Appointed acting clerk of the Supreme Court and state librarian Jan. 16, 1987, and became clerk of the Supreme Court and state librarian Sept. 1, 1987.

<sup>6</sup>Appointed reporter of the Supreme Court Dec. 1, 1944; served until Feb. 23, 1945.

<sup>7</sup>Appointed acting reporter of the Supreme Court Jan. 14, 1987, and became reporter of the Supreme Court Sept. 1, 1987.

<sup>8</sup>Appointed acting reporter of the Supreme Court April 1, 1989, and became reporter of the Supreme Court Sept. 1, 1989.

<sup>9</sup>In 1945, the Legislature provided that the reporter of the Supreme Court serve ex officio as revisor of statutes. The Legislature created the office of revisor of statutes within the Legislative Council effective July 1, 1967.

<sup>10</sup>Died Feb. 18, 1968.

## Office of Probation Administration

**Office Address:** Room 1209, State Capitol, P.O. Box 98910, Lincoln, NE 68509-8910, phone (402) 471-2141

**Probation Administrator:** Ellen Fabian Brokofsky

**Statutory Reference:** 29-2249

In 1957, under LB568, Nebraska adopted a general statewide system that provided for a planned, uniform system of presentence investigations, case studies and coordinated supervision of offenders eligible for probation under court suspension of sentence. Organizationally, the Nebraska District Court Judges Association was initially granted power to exercise general supervision over probation in all district courts. District judges within each probation district appointed chief probation officers who served at the pleasure of the judges. From 1958 to 1971, the statewide probation system functioned primarily for adult felons, and supervision of misdemeanants from the county courts was performed as a courtesy.

In 1971, the Legislature passed LB680 which: provided for administration of probation in district, county and juvenile courts, except for the separate juvenile courts; created the Office of Probation Administration and outlined the office's duties; created the Field Probation Service and outlined its duties as well as the procedures for discharging offenders from probation; and provided a mechanism for the supervision of offenders through the Interstate Compact. In 1972, LB1032 created a unified county court system and formally allowed for supervision of probation cases from the county court. In 1978, LB624 was enacted which prohibited county courts from appointing probation officers. In that same year, LB625 was enacted, creating the Nebraska Probation System Committee, which assisted the Office of Probation Administration and the Probation Administrator in developing policies and standards for Field Probation Service. In 1985, the Legislature passed LB13, which merged the municipal courts of

Lincoln and Omaha into the county court systems of Lancaster and Douglas counties and placed the probation personnel of these courts under the supervision of the Office of Probation Administration. The probation personnel of the separate juvenile courts of Douglas, Lancaster and Sarpy counties also were placed under the Office of Probation Administration.

By virtue of LB529, the Legislature placed probation for district courts under the authority of the Nebraska Supreme Court effective July 1, 1986. The bill called for the Nebraska Probation System Committee to serve as an advisory committee until its duties were taken over by the Nebraska Probation Advisory Committee on July 1, 1988. The committee's role was to provide advice to the Probation Administrator and Supreme Court regarding probation matters. This committee was abolished by the Supreme Court on May 14, 1998, when the court alternatively elected to designate a Supreme Court judge to serve as liaison to the probation system.

In 1990, the Legislature provided for the implementation of the Intensive Supervision Probation (ISP) program. ISP is designed to serve as an intermediate sanction between traditional probation and jail or prison for adults or state commitment for juveniles. Through utilization of a targeting tool, select offenders who have been deemed appropriate for this sanction may be sentenced to ISP. Organizationally, the state is divided into six ISP regions. Each region is staffed by a coordinator, line field staff and support personnel. Twenty officers were hired as part of the initial program in 1990. An additional five juvenile ISP officers were added in 1991 and five more ISP officers were added in July, 1995.

In 1997, the Legislature passed LB881, directing the Department of Correctional Services to develop and implement an incarceration work camp no later than Jan. 1, 2005, where adult criminal offenders can be placed as a condition of a sentence of probation (statutory reference: 83-4,142 through 83-4,147). LB881 outlined the work camp's structure and core programming and directed the court to target certain types of eligible felony offenders. Probation Administration's responsibility centers on assisting the court in identifying and assigning appropriate offenders to the work camp, responding to acts of noncompliance while offenders are in the work camp and performing an after care role once the offender completes the work camp and transitions back into the community. After several years of collaboration between the Department of Correctional Services and the probation system, the Nebraska Department of Correctional Services Work Ethic Camp became operational April 30, 2001.

In 2001, the Legislature passed LB451 to streamline the practice of juvenile intake and create a consistent and uniform method of decision making when law enforcement requests post-arrest detention/placement (statutory reference: 43-250, 43-253 and 43-260). The legislation solidified juvenile intake as an exclusive probation function. Seven juvenile intake probation officers were added to strengthen the Probation Administration's ability to successfully implement this new function statewide.

The practices of juvenile intake were further clarified in 2003 with the passage of LB43. The bill clarified that a peace officer retains temporary custody over a juvenile pending a probation officer's detention decision (statutory reference: 43-250). The law also was clarified so that a peace officer contacts the Department of Health and Human

Services, not the Office of Probation Services, when seeking temporary placement of a juvenile (statutory reference: 43-248).

The 2003 Legislature passed LB46, referred to as the Community Corrections Act, which created a number of criminal justice reforms that directly affected the administration of probation services. Key components of LB46 included:

- establishment of a Community Corrections Council within the Nebraska Crime Commission to oversee and ensure that a continuum of community corrections is developed for probationers and parolees (statutory reference: 47-1619 through 47-634)
  - establishment of probation and parole enrollment and monthly programming fees to support enhanced programming and services, as well as establishing procedures and criteria for determining ability to pay and a Probation Program Cash Fund (statutory reference: 29-2262.06, 29-2262.07)
  - establishment of a procedure and method of allowing probation officers to impose administrative sanctions for technical offender violations (statutory reference: 29-2266)
  - elimination of presentence investigations in Class 3A misdemeanors and lower-class offenses and related traffic and city ordinances (statutory reference: 29-2261)
  - development of sentencing guidelines by the Supreme Court. Guidelines for felony drug offenses are to be developed first and delivered to the Court by July 1, 2004 (statutory reference: 47-630)
  - creation of a Community Corrections Uniform Data Analysis Fund that is administered by the executive director of the Nebraska Crime Commission, funded by the assessment of an additional \$1 in court costs and used to support data integration efforts among criminal justice entities (statutory reference: 47-632)
  - adoption of the Interstate Compact for Adult Offender Supervision (statutory reference: 29-2639)
  - alignment of probation districts with judicial districts as of July 1, 2009
- Depending on the respective field division involved, probation serves several functions for courts, offenders and communities.

Within the juvenile intake field division, probation officers are statutorily obligated to respond to law enforcement requests 24 hours a day, seven days a week, to make decisions regarding detention, alternative placement or release of a juvenile held in temporary custody. This is accomplished through an assessment of the juvenile's background using a standardized instrument.

In the traditional probation field division, probation officers have a dual responsibility to provide thorough presentence and readjudication investigative reports to the courts and community-based offender supervision. Such supervision entails appropriate offender intervention and redirection, victim restitution, community service and regulated monitoring of offender behavior to ensure that offenders who are not in compliance with their probation orders are returned to court and held accountable for their actions. Within the supervision arena, probation officers are assisted by case managers who are responsible for a higher caseload of low-risk offenders.

In the intensive supervision probation (ISP) field division, probation officers provide a community-based intermediate sentencing sanction that is programmatically more restrictive than traditional probation. This sanction appropriately targets and intensely

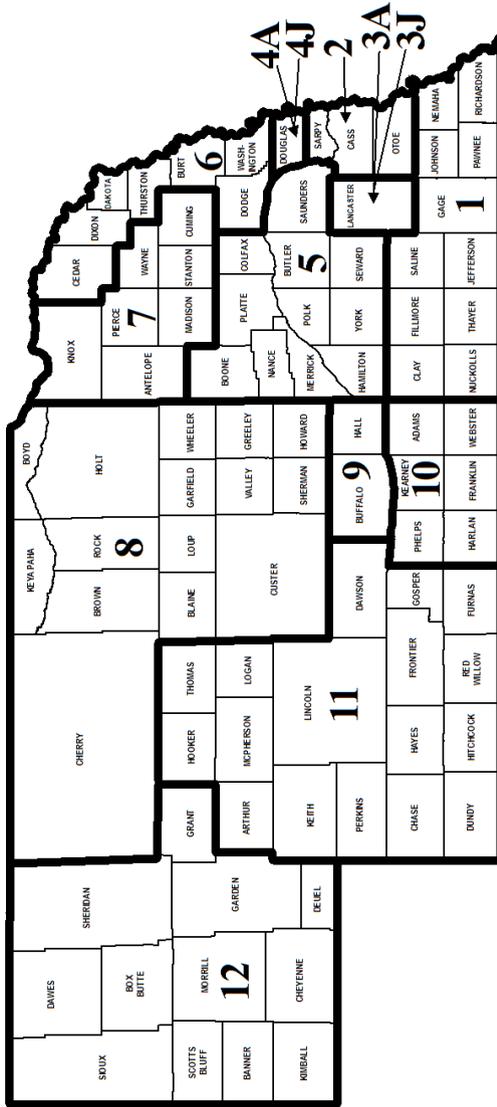
supervises both adult and juvenile moderately high-risk offenders who might otherwise be incarcerated or committed to state custody.

### Nebraska Chief Probation Officers, 2015

District	Chief Probation Officer	Residence
1.....	Sarah Rinne .....	Beatrice
2.....	Jodi York .....	Papillion
3.....	Tim Perry (Acting) .....	Lincoln
3J <sup>1</sup> .....	Lori Griggs .....	Lincoln
4.....	Ron Broich .....	Omaha
4J <sup>1</sup> .....	Mary Visek.....	Omaha
5.....	Shane Stutzman .....	Columbus
6.....	Bob Denton .....	Fremont
7.....	Kathryn Liebers.....	Norfolk
8.....	Tara Sprigler-Price.....	O'Neill
9.....	Connie Hultine .....	Grand Island
10.....	Joe Budnick .....	Hastings
11.....	Lonnie Folchert .....	North Platte
12.....	Darren Duncan.....	Gering

<sup>1</sup>Juvenile-only district.

# Nebraska Probation System\* Probation Districts<sup>1</sup>



\*Source: Nebraska State Probation Administrator's Office.  
<sup>1</sup> As of July 1, 2009, probation districts were aligned with District Court judicial districts. District numbers followed by the letter "j" indicate juvenile-only probation districts.

## NEBRASKA COURT OF APPEALS

**Statutory References:** Nebraska Constitution, Article V, Section 1; and 24-1101

The Nebraska Court of Appeals, an intermediate appellate court, was established on Sept. 6, 1991, as a result of a constitutional amendment approved by voters in the 1990 general election. The 1991 Legislature passed enabling legislation that determined the specifics of the court. The court was created to alleviate the increasing backlog of appeals pending before the Supreme Court and, ultimately, to expedite appellate review of decisions of lower courts and tribunals.

Criminal and civil appeals filed after Sept. 6, 1991, are heard by the Court of Appeals, except for cases involving a death sentence or life imprisonment or cases involving the constitutionality of a statute. Parties to the appeal may file a petition with the Supreme Court to bypass review by the Court of Appeals for direct review by the Supreme Court. Following a decision by the Court of Appeals, any party to a case may petition the Supreme Court for further review of the decision.

The Court of Appeals consists of six judges, with one judge appointed through merit selection from each Supreme Court judicial district. Court of Appeals judges are subject to the same terms relating to selection, filling of vacancy, term of office, discipline, removal from office and retirement as other judges covered by Article V of the Nebraska Constitution. From the six Court of Appeals judges, a chief judge is appointed by the Supreme Court to serve a one-year renewable term. Each Court of Appeals judge may choose any site within the state for his or her office. Court of Appeals judges receive an annual salary totaling 95 percent of a Supreme Court judge's salary.

For purposes of hearing and deciding appeals, Court of Appeals judges sit in panels of three. The membership of the panels is regularly rotated by the chief judge in order to provide each judge an opportunity to serve a proportionate amount of time with every other judge. Although the principal administrative office and courtroom for the Court of Appeals is in the State Capitol, the enabling legislation provides that the court also hears arguments at sites throughout the state by designation of the chief judge.

The enabling legislation for the Court of Appeals provides that the clerk of the Supreme Court and the reporter of the Supreme Court also acts in such capacity for the Court of Appeals. Rules of procedure before the Court of Appeals are to be promulgated by the Supreme Court.

The initial group of Court of Appeals judges took office in 1992 and began hearing cases the third week of February. The court typically schedules arguments for the third week of each month, except during August, when the court is in recess.

The written opinions of the court are available to the public in printed format in *The Decisions of the Nebraska Court of Appeals* and at the court's website — [www.supremecourt.ne.gov](http://www.supremecourt.ne.gov). Those decisions which are permanently published are published in a bound volume entitled *Nebraska Appeals*.

Judge	Represents	Term Expires
Riko E. Bishop, Lincoln.....	District 1.....	January 2017
Everett O. Inbody, Wahoo.....	District 5.....	January 2017
John F. Irwin, Papillion.....	District 4.....	January 2021
Frankie J. Moore, North Platte (Chief Judge) ..	District 6.....	January 2017
Michael W. Pirtle, Omaha .....	District 2.....	January 2021
Francie C. Riedmann, Omaha.....	District 3.....	January 2017

## Nebraska Court of Appeals Judges, 2015



### RIKO E. BISHOP DISTRICT 1

**Office Address:** State Capitol, P.O. Box 98910, Lincoln, NE 68509-8910, phone (402) 471-3732, fax (402) 471-4148; email address — riko.bishop@nebraska.gov

**Took office as Court of Appeals Judge:** Aug. 20, 2013, to replace Judge Richard D. Sievers, who retired

**Biography:** Born in Japan, 1956. Graduate of Kearney State College (B.A. in education and English), 1977; University of Nebraska College of Law (J.D., with distinction), 1992. Married Jamie Bishop, May 1987; two sons: Eric and Jacob. Former: associate attorney then shareholder, Perry, Guthery, Haase & Gessford, PC, LLO (1993-2013); law clerk, Nebraska Court of Appeals Chief Judge Richard Sievers (1992-1993). **Member:** Order of Barristers; Nebraska Association of Trial Attorneys; Nebraska State Bar Association (1992 to present); American Bar Association (1992 to present); Supreme Court Committee on Practice and Procedure (1998 to present); Nebraska Judicial Resources Commission (2004 to present); Nebraska Mediation

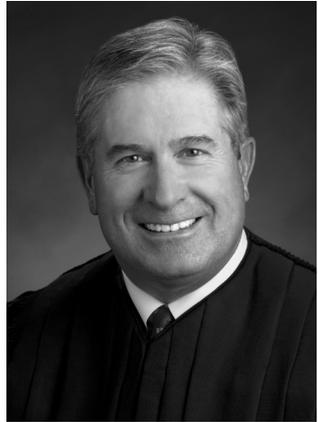
Association (2011 to present). **Former member:** board of trustees, Lincoln Bar Association (2000-08); Office of Dispute Resolution (ODR) Advisory Council (2012-14); Parenting Act Mediator, ODR approved (2010). **Honors and awards:** Nebraska State Bar Association Award of Appreciation, 2006; Nebraska State Bar Foundation Fellow, 2000; member, National Moot Court Team, 1992 (national brief writing award; regional best oral advocate award; regional best brief award).

### MICHAEL W. PIRTLE DISTRICT 2

**Office Addresses:** 10730 Pacific St., Ste. 238, Omaha, NE 68114, email address — mike.pirtle@nebraska.gov

**Took Office as Court of Appeals Judge:** July 6, 2011, to replace Judge Theodore L. Carlson, who died; retained in office 2014

**Biography:** Born Feb. 22, 1953, in Houston, Texas. Graduate of Midland Lutheran College (B.A. in business), 1975; University of Nebraska College of Law (J.D.), 1978. Married Kimberly A. Knoll, May 29, 2010; four children: Caroline “Callie” Knoll, Michaela “Kaela” Knoll, Jacquelyn “Jackie” Pirtle and Stacey Pirtle. Former director, Gross & Welch, 2006-11; senior staff attorney, American Family Insurance, 2000-06; associate and partner, Valentine, O’Toole, McQuillan & Gordon, 1986-2000; associate and partner, McCormack, Cooney, Mooney & Hillman, 1979-86; associate, Noren & Burns, 1978-79; law clerk, Pierson, Ackerman, Fitchett & Akin, 1976-78. **Member:** Nebraska State Bar Association; Omaha Bar Association; Sarpy County Bar Association; Order of Barristers. **Former member:** Midland University Board of Trustees, 2008-11. **Honors and awards:** Nebraska State Bar Foundation Fellow, 2010; Midland Warrior Athletic Hall of Fame, 1993; master teacher award, Midland College, 1993.



## Nebraska Court of Appeals Judges, 2015 (Cont'd.)

### FRANCIE C. RIEDMANN

### DISTRICT 3

**Office Address:** 216 Enterprise Drive, Ste. 1A, Gretna, NE 68028, phone (402) 332-0781, fax (402) 332-0785, email address — francie.riedmann@nebraska.gov

**Took Office as Court of Appeals Judge:** July 17, 2012, to replace Judge William B. Cassel, who was appointed to the Nebraska Supreme Court

**Biography:** Born Aug. 23, 1963. Graduate of Kearney State College (B.S.), 1985; Denver Paralegal Institute, 1986; Creighton University Law School (J.D., summa cum laude), 1993. Married Jim Weis, Nov. 5, 1988; three children: Lauren, Emma and Zachary. Former attorney, Gross & Welch. **Member:** Nebraska State Bar Association; Omaha Bar Association; co-chair, Nebraska Supreme Court Commission on Guardianships and Conservatorships; JUSTICE County Court Automation Committee; JUSTICE District Court Automation Committee; Supreme Court Technology Committee; District and Juvenile Court Record Committee; St. Patrick's Catholic Church; Friends of the Library, Gretna Public Library; citizens' committee, Gretna Public Schools. **Former member:** amicus curiae committee, Omaha Bar Association; Nebraska Defense Counsel Association; board of directors, Black Student Catholic Scholarship Fund. **Honors and awards:** fellow, Litigation Counsel of America; fellow, Nebraska State Bar Foundation.



### JOHN F. IRWIN

### DISTRICT 4

**Office Addresses:** Nebraska Court of Appeals, State Capitol, P.O. Box 98910, Lincoln, NE 68509-8910, phone (402) 471-9038, email address — john.irwin@nebraska.gov

**Took Office as Court of Appeals Judge:** Jan. 13, 1992; retained in office 1996, 2002, 2008 and 2014; served as chief judge, September 1998-September 2004.

**Biography:** Born May 25, 1952, in Omaha. Graduate of University of Nebraska at Omaha (B.A.), 1974; Creighton University School of Law (J.D.), 1977. Former: Chief Deputy Sarpy County Attorney, 1990-92; Deputy Sarpy County Attorney, 1981-90; private practice, 1977-81. **Member:** chair, Supreme Court Ethics Committee; co-chair, Supreme Court/Nebraska State Bar Association Minority Justice Committee. **Former member:** Sarpy County Bar Association (president); National Council of Chief Judges (president), 2004-05.

## Nebraska Court of Appeals Judges, 2015 (Cont'd.)



### EVERETT O. INBODY DISTRICT 5

**Office Addresses:** 112 E. Seventh St., Wahoo, NE 68066, phone (402) 443-5180, fax (402) 443-5285; State Capitol, P.O. Box 98910, Lincoln, NE 68509-8910, phone (402) 471-9039, email address — rinbody@ncs.state.ne.us

**Took Office as Court of Appeals Judge:** April 20, 1995, to replace Judge William M. Connolly, who was appointed to the Nebraska Supreme Court; retained in office 1998, 2004 and 2010; served as chief judge, September 2004-September 2014

**Biography:** Born Sept. 13, 1945, in Columbus. Graduate of University of Nebraska (B.S.), 1967; University of Nebraska College of Law (J.D.), 1970; American Academy of Judicial Education: Diploma of Judicial Skills, 1990; Diploma of Humanities and Judging, 1999. Married Patricia A. (Lee) Inbody; three children: Bernard, Rebecca and Benjamin. Former: district judge, 5th Judicial District, 1991-95; county judge, 5th Judicial District, 1986-91; partner, Haessler, Sullivan and Inbody, 1974-86; associate, Haessler and Sullivan, 1970-74;

director, Regions 4, 5 and 6 of the Nebraska State Crime Commission, 1970-78; deputy county attorney, Saunders County, 1970-75. **Member:** co-chair, Nebraska Supreme Court Committee on Children in the Courts, 2004-present; Nebraska State Bar Association Judiciary Committee. **Former member:** president, Nebraska County Judges' Association, 1990-91; Judicial Nominating Commission, 1979-86; Nebraska State Bar Association Executive Committee, 1978-79; adjunct faculty member, John F. Kennedy College, 1970-71; chairman, Nebraska State Bar Association Young Lawyers Section, member House of Delegates; National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges; Nebraska District Judges' Association and Education Committee. **Honors and awards:** Nebraska Supreme Court award for Distinguished Judge for Improvement to the Judiciary, 2010.

### FRANKIE J. MOORE

### DISTRICT 6

#### (CHIEF JUDGE)

**Office Addresses:** 300 E. Third St., Suite 254, North Platte, NE 69101, phone (308) 535-8342, fax (308) 535-8344; State Capitol, P.O. Box 98910, Lincoln, NE 68509-8910, phone (402) 471-9037

**Took Office as Court of Appeals Judge:** Jan. 28, 2000, to replace Judge Wesley C. Mues, who died; retained in office 2004 and 2010

**Biography:** Born Aug. 13, 1958, in Lincoln. Graduate of Nebraska Wesleyan University (B.A.), 1980; University of Nebraska College of Law (J.D.), 1983. Married Lowell J. Moore; two children: Erica and Sean. Former: judge, Nebraska Commission of Industrial Relations, 1989-2000; partner, McCarthy, Gale, Moore & Hall, 1991-2000; Moore Law Office, 1990-91; associate, Kelley, Scritsmier & Byrne, 1983-1990. **Former member:** executive board, Nebraska State Bar Association Labor Relations and Employment Law Section; Legislation Committee; Ways, Means and Planning Committee; Task Force on Mandatory Continuing Legal Education; Task Force on Nebraska Judicial Nominating Commission; Federal Practice Committee, U.S. District Court for the District of Nebraska.



## Nebraska Court of Appeals Judges, 1991-2015

William M. Connolly.....	1992 <sup>1</sup> -1994 <sup>4</sup>	Everett O. Inbody <sup>11</sup> .....	1995 <sup>6</sup> -
Lindsey Miller-Lerman <sup>3</sup> .....	1992 <sup>1</sup> -1998 <sup>4</sup>	Theodore L. Carlson.....	1998 <sup>8</sup> -2011 <sup>12</sup>
John F. Wright.....	1992 <sup>1</sup> -1994 <sup>4</sup>	Frankie J. Moore <sup>18</sup> .....	2000 <sup>9</sup> -
Wesley C. Mues.....	1994 <sup>5</sup> -1999	William B. Cassel.....	2004 <sup>10</sup> -2012 <sup>14</sup>
Edward E. Hannon.....	1992 <sup>1</sup> -2004	Michael W. Pirtle.....	2012 <sup>13</sup> -
Richard D. Sievers <sup>2</sup> .....	1991 <sup>1</sup> -2013 <sup>16</sup>	Francie C. Riedmann.....	2012 <sup>15</sup> -
John F. Irwin <sup>7</sup> .....	1992 <sup>1</sup> -	Riko E. Bishop.....	2013 <sup>17</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Member of original Court of Appeals. Judges Sievers and Irwin were appointed Dec. 11, 1991; Judges Connolly, Miller-Lerman, Hannon and Wright were appointed Dec. 12, 1991.

<sup>2</sup> Chief judge, 1991-95.

<sup>3</sup> Chief judge, 1996-98.

<sup>4</sup> Resigned upon appointment to Nebraska Supreme Court.

<sup>5</sup> Appointed April 22, 1994, to replace Judge Wright.

<sup>6</sup> Appointed March 7, 1995, to replace Judge Connolly.

<sup>7</sup> Chief judge, 1998-2004.

<sup>8</sup> Appointed Nov. 2, 1998, to replace Judge Miller-Lerman.

<sup>9</sup> Appointed Jan. 28, 2000, to replace Judge Mues, who died.

<sup>10</sup> Appointed Dec. 10, 2003, to replace Judge Hannon.

<sup>11</sup> Chief judge, 2004-14.

<sup>12</sup> Died April 26, 2011.

<sup>13</sup> Appointed June 24, 2011, to replace Judge Carlson.

<sup>14</sup> Resigned April 26, 2012, upon appointment to Nebraska Supreme Court.

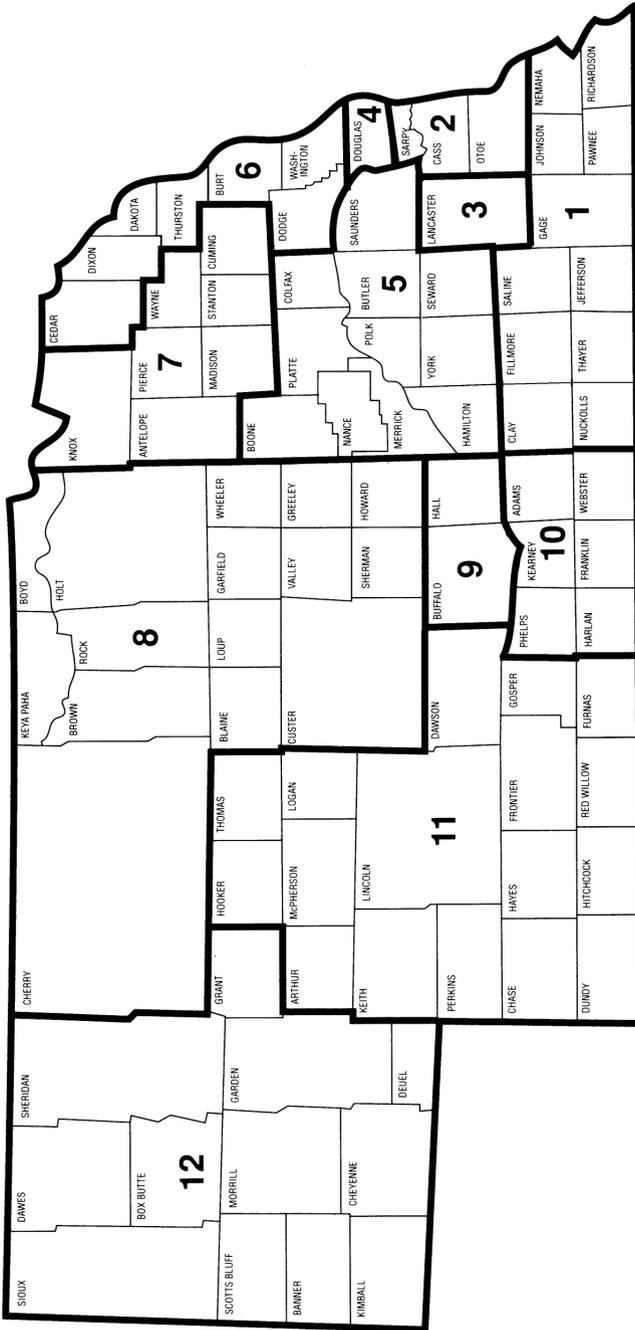
<sup>15</sup> Appointed July 17, 2012, to replace Judge Cassel.

<sup>16</sup> Retired May 31, 2013.

<sup>17</sup> Appointed July 19, 2013, to replace Judge Sievers.

<sup>18</sup> Chief judge, 2014-present.

Nebraska Judicial Districts — District Courts\*



\*Boundaries established by LB1207 in the 2004 legislative session.

## DISTRICT COURTS

**Statutory Reference:** Nebraska Constitution, Article V, Section 1

The Organic Act of May 30, 1854, provided for three judicial districts in the newly created Nebraska Territory. These districts' courts were presided over by the Supreme Court judges, who were required to live in the districts they served. The first district covered Douglas and Dodge counties, the second district covered the territory south of the Platte River, and the third district covered Washington and Burt counties.

In 1855, the first session of these courts took place. In the same year, legislation redrew and enlarged district boundaries. The courts' functions were further defined in 1857.

The constitution of 1875 provided for six judicial districts and relieved the Supreme Court judges of district court duties. A 1920 constitutional amendment approved by voters provided that district judges must assist the Supreme Court when required. The 1961 Legislature provided that the Supreme Court may assign district judges to other districts when their services are needed. Nebraska has 12 districts served by 56 district judges.

District judges are selected to serve a specific district. The state establishes judges' and court reporters' salaries. The 1981 Legislature authorized the state to pay district judges 92.5 percent of the annual salary received by Supreme Court judges.

Clerks of the district court are county officers, elected and paid by the counties. District courts are trial courts of general jurisdiction and also rule on appeals from the county courts.

The 1965 Legislature passed the Conciliation Court Law to protect the rights of children, promote the public welfare by preserving and protecting family life and the institution of marriage, and to provide ways for spouses to reconcile and friendly ways to settle domestic and family problems. The law applies to counties in which the district court determines that the social conditions and number of domestic relations cases in the courts necessitate the consideration of such cases.

## Nebraska District Judges, 2015\*

District	Judge	Term Expires
1.....	Daniel E. Bryan Jr., Auburn .....	January 2021
	Vicky Johnson, Wilber.....	January 2019
2.....	Paul W. Korslund, Beatrice .....	January 2021
	David K. Arterburn, Papillion.....	January 2021
	Jeffrey J. Funke, Plattsmouth.....	January 2017
	Max Kelch, Papillion.....	January 2017
3.....	William B. Zastera, Papillion .....	January 2019
	Steven D. Burns, Lincoln .....	January 2019
	John A. Colborn, Lincoln .....	January 2017
	Andrew R. Jacobsen, Lincoln.....	January 2021
	Lori A. Maret, Lincoln.....	January 2019
	Paul D. Merritt Jr., Lincoln.....	January 2017
	Jodi Nelson, Lincoln.....	January 2017
4.....	Robert R. Otte, Lincoln.....	January 2019
	Stephanie Stacy, Lincoln.....	January 2021
	W. Mark Ashford, Omaha.....	January 2017
	Peter Bataillon, Omaha .....	January 2017
	W. Russell Bowie, Omaha .....	January 2017
	Timothy P. Burns, Omaha .....	January 2021
	J Michael Coffey, Omaha .....	January 2021
	J Russell Derr, Omaha.....	January 2019
	Duane C. Dougherty, Omaha.....	January 2021
	James T. Gleason, Omaha.....	January 2019
	Thomas A. Otepka, Omaha .....	January 2019
	Kimberly M. Pankonin, Omaha.....	January 2021
	Marlon A. Polk, Omaha .....	January 2021
5.....	Gary B. Randall, Omaha .....	January 2021
	Leigh Ann Retelsdorf, Omaha .....	January 2019
	Gregory Schatz, Omaha.....	January 2017
	Shelly R. Stratman, Omaha.....	January 2021
	Joseph S. Troia, Omaha.....	January 2019
	Rachel A. Daugherty, Aurora .....	January 2019
	Mary C. Gilbride, Wahoo .....	January 2021
6.....	James C. Stecker, Seward .....	January 2019
	Robert R. Steinke, Columbus .....	January 2019
	Geoffrey C. Hall, Fremont.....	January 2021
	John E. Samson, Blair.....	January 2019
7.....	Paul J. Vaughan, Dakota City.....	January 2021
	James G. Kube, Madison.....	January 2019
8.....	Mark D. Kozisek, Ainsworth.....	January 2021
	Karin L. Noakes, St. Paul.....	January 2017
9.....	John P. Icenogle, Kearney.....	January 2019
	Teresa K. Luther, Grand Island.....	January 2017
	William T. Wright, Kearney .....	January 2017
10.....	Mark John Young, Grand Island .....	January 2019
	Terri S. Harder, Minden .....	January 2021
	Stephen R. Illingworth, Hastings.....	January 2017
11.....	Richard A. Birch, North Platte.....	January 2021
	James E. Doyle, Lexington.....	January 2019
	Donald E. Rowlands II, North Platte.....	January 2021
12.....	David Urbom, McCook .....	January 2017
	Leo Dobrovolny, Gering.....	January 2017
	Randall L. Lippstreu, Gering.....	January 2021
	Travis P. O'Gorman, Alliance .....	January 2021
	Derek C. Weimer, Sidney .....	January 2019

\*Source: Nebraska State Court Administrator's Office.

## Nebraska District Judges, 1876-2015\*

Name	Residence	District	Term
Ach, Joseph	Friend	7	1961-1971
Adams, Ed L.	Minden	10	1900-1908
Albert, I.L.	Columbus	6	1898
Allen, William V.	Madison	9	1892-1893 1899 1917-1924
Ambrose, G.W.	Omaha	4	1892-1896
Amdor, Michael W.	Omaha	4	1994-2002
Ankeny, Harry R.	Lincoln	3	1945-1961
Appleget, Thomas	Tecumseh	1	1887-1892
Ashford, W. Mark	Omaha	4	2000-
Babock, Albert H.	Beatrice	1	1892-1896
Baker, Benjamin S.	Omaha	4	1896-1902
Barnes, J.B.	Ponca	6, 7	1879-1884
Barron, P.J.	Gering	17	1922-1927
Bartlett, Edwin M.	Omaha	4	1904
Bartos, Stanley	Wilber	7	1941-1961
Bartow, Alfred	Chadron	15	1892-1896
Bartu, Bryce	Seward	5	1977-1996
Bataillon, Peter	Omaha	4	2000-
Bates, Edward	York	5	1891-1900
Battershell, John J.	McCook	11	1992-2006
Baxter, Irving F.	Omaha	4	1900-1904
Beal, Henry J.	Omaha	4	1941-1953
Beall, F.B.	Alma, Hastings	10	1892-1896 1896-1900
Beck, Clarence S.	North Platte	13	1961-1965
Begley, James T.	Plattsmouth	2	1913-1934
Birch, Richard A.	North Platte	11	2011-
Blackledge, Lewis H.	Hastings	10	1921-1941
Blair, J.H.	Omaha	4	1892-1896
Blue, William D.	Lincoln	3	1972-1996
Boyd, James F.	Oakdale, Neligh	9	1900-1907
Boyles, Bartlett E.	Lincoln	3	1963-1972
Broady, Jefferson H.	Beatrice	1	1884-1892
Broady, Jefferson H.	Lincoln	3	1923-1952
Brodkey, Donald	Omaha	4	1961-1974
Brower, John M.	Fullerton	21	1980-1991
Brown, Ralph D.	Crete	7	1917-1925
Bryan, Daniel E.	Auburn	1	1999-
Buckley, James A.	Omaha	4	1970-1998
Burke, John C.	Omaha	4	1961-1980
Burkhard, Robert V.	Omaha	4	1980-2005
Burns, Steven D.	Lincoln	3	1997-
Burns, Timothy P.	Omaha	4	2011-
Bush, J.E.	Beatrice	1	1892-1896
Button, Frederick W.	Fremont	6	1915-1928
Cambridge, William G.	Hastings	10	1981-1988
Camp, Robert R.	Lincoln	3	1983-1988
Caniglia, Samuel P.	Omaha	4	1971-1985
Caporale, D. Nick	Omaha	4	1979-1982
Carlson, Theodore L.	Omaha	4	1983-1998
Carrigan, Edmund B.	Blair	4	1927
Carter, Edward F.	Gering	17	1927-1935
Case, Raymond J.	Plattsmouth	2	1974-1990
Cassel, William B.	Ainsworth	8	1992-2003
Cecava, Kristine R.	Sidney	12	1999-2008
Chadderdon, Norris	Holdrege	10	1958-1977
Chapmon, Samuel M.	Plattsmouth	2	1887-1895
Chappell, E.B.	Lincoln	3	1929-1943
Chase, Dewitt Clinton	Stanton	9	1924-1938
Chase, Jackson B.	Omaha	4	1946-1954 1957-1961
Chevront, Jeffre	Lincoln	3	1983-2011

\*District served reflects realignment of districts passed as LB1059 in the 1992 legislative session.

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Name	Residence	District	Term
Church, A.H.	North Platte	10, 13	1889-1892
Clark, John E.	Omaha	4	1972-1994
Clarkson, Joseph R.	Omaha	3	1888-1892
Clements, Edwin P.	Ord	11	1921-1941
Clements, Elliott J.	Lincoln	3	1919-1923
Coady, Orville L.	Hebron	1	1971-2003
Cochran, James E.	McCook	11, 14	1887-189
Coffey, J. Michael	Omaha	4	1998-
Coffin, E.M.	Ord	11	1891-1892
Colborn, John A.	Lincoln	3	2000-
Colby, Lenard W.	Beatrice	18	1921-1924
Colwell, William F.	Pawnee City	1	1963-1981
Cones, Douglas	Pierce	8	1899-1900
Corcoran, George F.	York	5	1908-1925
Cornish, Albert J.	Lincoln	3	1896-1916
Corrigan, Lawrence J.	Omaha	4	1983-1999
Cosgrave, P. James	Lincoln	3	1912-1918
Crawford, J.C.	West Point	7	1884-1888
Crites, A.W.	Chadron	15	1891-1892
Crites, Albert W.	Chadron	16	1959-1966
Daugherty, Rachel A.	Aurora	5	2014-
Davidson, Samuel P.	Tecumseh	1	1882-1884
Davis, Herbert J.	Omaha	4	1891-1896
Davis, Stephen A.	Omaha	4	1982-2002
Day, George A.	Omaha	4	1902-1921
Day, L.B.	Omaha	4	1921-1929
Day, W.A.	Omaha	4	1936-1957
DeBacker, Richard L.	Grand Island	11	1980-1984
Derr, J Russell	Omaha	4	2002-
Dickinson, Charles T.	Tekamah	4	1896-1904
Dickson, Robert R.	O'Neill	15	1912-1941
Dierks, John M.	Nebraska City	2	1952-1964
Dilworth, William A.	Holdrege	10	1919-1928
Dineen, Frank M.	Omaha	4	1929-1950
Dittrick, George W.	Norfolk	9	1961-1977
Doane, George W.	Omaha	3, 4	1888-1892
Dobrovolsky, Leo P.	Gering	12	2007-
Dorsey, William C.	Bloomington	10	1917-1919
Dougherty, Duane C.	Omaha	4	2011-
Dougherty, Sandra L.	Omaha	4	1999-2009
Doyle, James E.	Lexington	11	2001-
Duffie, E.R.	Omaha	4	1892-1896
Dunbar, Thomas E.	Nebraska City	2	1944-1952
Dungan, Harry	Hastings	0	1908-1917
Eldred, Charles E.	McCook	14	1919-1945
Ellis, Cloyde B.	Beatrice	18	1937-1958
Empson, Paul D.	Chadron	12	1980-2007
Endacott, Donald E.	Lincoln	3	1979-2000
English, James P.	Omaha	4	1913-1917
English, James T.	Omaha	4	1945-1959
Ensz, Robert B.	Wayne	7	1991-2012
Estelle, Lee S.	Omaha	4	1891-1892
			1900-1921
Evans, Arthur J.	David City	5	1904-1908
Evans, Robert E.	Dakota City	8	1896-1900
Fahrnbruch, Dale E.	Lincoln	3	1972-1987
Falloon, Virgil	Falls City	1	1937-1963
Fawcett, Jacob	Omaha	4	1896-1904
Feidler, Ted R.	Scottsbluff	17	1961-1977
Ferguson, A.N.	Lincoln	4	1886-1892
Field, Allen W.	Omaha	2, 3	1921-1961
Finn, Robert T.	Auburn, Beatrice, Tecumseh	1	1981-1999
Fitzgerald, James M.	Lincoln	4	1918-1919
Flansburg, Leonard A.	Scottsbluff	3	1961-1977
Flory, Robert D.	Columbus	6	1949-1965
Flory, Robert L.	Fremont	6	1961-1977

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Name	Residence	District	Term
Flowers, Karen B.....	Lincoln.....	3	1996-2013
Foster, Charles E.....	Omaha.....	4	1929-1933
Frost, Lincoln.....	Lincoln.....	3	1898-1912 1924-1925
Frum, Sidney T.....	South Sioux City.....	8	1941-1955
Fuhrman, Mark J.....	Fremont.....	6	1977-1998
Funke, Jeffrey J.....	Plattsmouth.....	2	2013-
Garden, Richard P.....	Norfolk.....	7	1979-2000
Garrotto, Paul J.....	Omaha.....	4	1961-1971
Gaslin, William Jr.....	Kearney.....	5, 8, 10	1876-1892
Gilbride, Mary C.....	Wahoo.....	5	1998-
Gillan, George C.....	Lexington.....	13	1923-1925
Gitnick, Jerry M.....	Omaha.....	4	1978-1992
Gleason, James T.....	Omaha.....	4	2002-
Gless, Alan G.....	Wahoo, Seward.....	5	1995-2013
Good, Benjamin F.....	York, Wahoo.....	5	1900-1912
Good, Edward E.....	Wahoo.....	5	1912-1923
Goss, Charles A.....	Omaha.....	4	1921-1927
Gossett, F.A., III.....	Fremont.....	6	1998-2003
Grant, John T.....	Omaha.....	4	1974-1983
Graves, Guy T.....	Pender.....	8	1900-1924
Green, W.L.....	Kearney.....	12	1896-1897
Griffey, Thomas L.....	Dakota City.....	6	1876-1877
Grimes, Hanson M.....	North Platte.....	13	1895-1921
Grimison, James A.....	Schuyler.....	6	1899-1904
Groff, Lewis A.....	Omaha.....	3	1887-1892
Gutterson, Charles L.....	Broken Bow.....	12	1903-1904
Hall, Charles L.....	Lincoln.....	3	1891-1898
Hamer, Frances G.....	Kearney.....	10, 12	1884-1892
Hamilton, Donald J.....	Omaha.....	4	1965-1992
Hanna, James R.....	Greeley, Grand Island.....	11	1904-1921
Hannon, Edward.....	O'Neill.....	15	1983-1991
Harder, Terri S.....	Minden.....	10	2000-
Harrington, James J.....	O'Neill.....	15	1900-1912
Harrison, T.O.C.....	Grand Island.....	9, 11	1887-1894
Hartigan, John D., Jr.....	Omaha.....	4	1991-2011
Hastings, Lovell S.....	David City.....	5	1923-1947
Hastings, William C.....	Lincoln.....	3	1965-1979
Hastings, William G.....	Wilber, Omaha.....	7, 4	1892-1900 1923-1937
Hayward, M.L.....	Nebraska City.....	2	1886
Hendrix, Jack H.....	Trenton.....	14	1969-1991
Hickman, Paul J.....	Omaha.....	4	1978-1993
Hippe, Robert O.....	Gering.....	12	1977-2007
Hobart, Ralph W.....	Mitchell, Gering.....	16, 17	1911-1922
Holcomb, Silas A.....	Broken Bow.....	12	1892-1894
Hollenbeck, Conrad.....	Fremont.....	6	1898-1914
Holmes, Edward P.....	Lincoln.....	3	1894-1908
Hopewell, Melville R.....	Tekamah, Omaha.....	3, 4	1887-1896
Horth, Ralph T.....	Grand Island.....	11	1931-1934
Hostetler, Bruno O.....	Kearney.....	12	1904-1941
Howard, Keith.....	Omaha.....	4	1979-1991
Huber, Walter G.....	Blair.....	6	1972-1980
Hubka, Ernest A.....	Beatrice.....	18	1958-1971
Hurd, Leslie G.....	Harvard.....	7	1904-1917
Icenogle, John P.....	Kearney.....	9	1990-
Illingworth, Stephen R.....	Hastings.....	10	1988-
Inbody, Everett O.....	Wahoo.....	5	1991-1995
Irons, Fred R.....	Hastings.....	10	1971-1981
Irvine, Frank.....	Omaha.....	4	1891-1892
Irwin, George W.....	Bridgeport.....	17	1935-1939
Jackson, Lyle E.....	Neligh.....	9	1941-1961
Jackson, N. D.....	Neligh.....	9	1892-1896
Jacobsen, Andrew R.....	Lincoln.....	3	2011-
James, J.W.....	Hastings.....	10	1928-1934
Jessen, Paul.....	Nebraska City.....	2	1900-1908

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Name	Residence	District	Term
Johnson, Earl E.	Broken Bow	20	1973-1977
Johnson, Vicky	Wilber	1	2003-
Kanouff, Howard V.	Wahoo	5	1971-1977
Kelligar, William H.	Auburn	1	1904-1908
Kelly, James R.	Broken Bow	20	1977-1984
Kelly, Lloyd Jr.	Grand Island	11	1972-1980
Kendall, A.A.	St. Paul	11	1894-1900
Kennedy, Howard Jr.	Omaha	4	1904-1913
Keyser, W.W.	Omaha	4	1892-1902
Kieck, W.G.	Plattsmouth	2	1937
Kinkaid, Moses P.	O'Neill	12, 15	1887-1900
Knapp, John D.	Kimball	12	1974-1999
Kneifl, Francis J.	South Sioux City	8	1975-1984
Kokjer, Emerson	Wahoo	5	1947-1971
Korslund, Paul W.	Beatrice	1	1998-
Kortum, Alfred J.	Gering	12	1972-1995
Kozisek, Mark D.	Ainsworth	8	2004-
Krell, Lawrence C.	Omaha	4	1959-1978
Kroger, E.G.	Grand Island	11	1934-1961
Kube, James G.	Norfolk	7	2009-
Kuns, John	Kimball	13, 19	1949-1974
Lamberty, Patricia A.	Omaha	4	1998-2011
Landis, Harry D.	Seward	5	1925-1956
Leslie, Charles	Omaha	4	1912-1945
Letton, C.B.	Fairbury	1	1896-1903
Lightner, Louis	Columbus	6	1923-1949
Likes, Mary G.	Omaha	4	1992-2002
Lippstreu, Randall L.	Gering	12	1998-
Livingston, James D.	Grand Island	9	1992-2014
Livington, D.W.	Nebraska City	2	1934-1937
Luther, Teresa K.	Grand Island	9	1994-
Lynch, Patrick W.	Omaha	4	1954-1979
Manasil, William F.	Burwell	11, 20	1958-1973
Maret, Lori A.	Lincoln	3	2014-
Marsh, Joseph	Dakota City	8	1967-1975
Marshall, William	Fremont	4, 6	1887-1898
Martin, Joseph D.	Grand Island	9	1978-1994
McFadden, Eugene D.	Norfolk	9	1977-1979
McGill, Michael	Omaha	4	1991-2000
McGinn, Bernard J.	Lincoln	3	1981-2005
Merritt, Paul D. Jr.	Lincoln	3	1988-
Messmore, Fred W.	Beatrice	18	1929-1937
Meyer, Earl L.	Alliance	6	1926-1959
Miller, Matt	David City	5	1891-1892
Mitchell, J.L.	Nebraska City	2	1885-1886
Moran, Gerald E.	Omaha	4	1993-2010
Moran, Robert R.	Alliance	16	1966-1992
Morning, William M.	Lincoln	3	1917-1924
Morris, William H.	Crete	5, 7	1883-1884 1887-1892
Moss, William Jefferson	Fairbury	18	1924-1929
Mounts, Dayton R.	Atkinson, O'Neill	15	1941-1961
Mullen, J. Patrick	Omaha	4	1985-2012
Mullery, Edward A.	Omaha	4	1961-1962
Munday, Frank J.	Red Cloud	10	1933-1958
Munn, C.A.	Ord	11	1900-1901
Murphy, James M.	Omaha	4	1977-1997
Murphy, John E.	Omaha	4	1961-1978
Murphy, John P.	North Platte	11	1983-2011
Neville, James	Omaha	3	1883-1888
Neville, William	North Platte	13	1892-1894
Newkirk, L. Ross	Omaha	4	1953-1961
Newton, John E.	Ponca	8	1957-1967
Nimtz, Frank G.	Omaha	4	1961-1964
Nisley, I.J.	North Platte	13	1925-1961
Norris, G.W.	McCook, Beaver City	14	1896-1903

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Name	Residence	District	Term
Norris, W.F.	Ponca	7, 8	1888-1896
Norton, William H.	Osceola	5	1977-1991
Norval, T.L.	Seward	6	1883-1890
Nuss, Edmund	Hastings	10	1941-1971
James O'Brien, P.	Omaha	4	1961-1977
O'Gorman, Travis P.	Alliance	12	2011-
Ogden, Charles	Omaha	4	1892-1896
Olberding, Ronald D.	Burwell	8	1984-2006
Oleson, Andrew R.	Wisner	9	1915-1917 1929-1937
Orr, Robert C.	Hayes Center, McCook	14	1903-1912
Otepka, Thomas A.	Omaha	4	2003-
Otte, Robert	Dakota City	6	1985-1993
Owens, Michael J.	York, Aurora	5	1996-2014
Paine, Bayard H.	Grand Island	11	1917-1931
Pankonin, Kimberly M.	Omaha	4	2011-
Patton, James M.	Omaha	4	1949-1961
Paul, James N.	St. Paul	11	1901-1917
Pemberton, Leander M.	Beatrice	1, 18	1908-1921
Perry, Claibourne G.	Gering	17	1939-1957
Perry, Ernest B.	Cambridge	14	1912-1919
Polk, John L.	Lincoln	3	1937-1965
Pollock, Fay H.	Stanton	9	1943-1969
Post, Alfred M.	Columbus	4, 6	1880-1892 1919-1923
Post, George W.	York	4	1876-1880
Pound, Stephen B.	Lincoln	2	1876-1888
Powell, Clinton N.	Omaha	4	1896-1900
Powers, Isaac Jr.	Norfolk	7, 9	1887-1892
Proudfit, Robert M.	Friend	7	1925-1941
Quist, Darvid D.	Blair	6	1980-2010
Rait, James E.	Omaha	4	1927-1929
Ramsey, B.S.	Plattsmouth	2	1896-1900
Randall, Gary B.	Omaha	4	1997-
Raper, John B.	Pawnee City	1	1906-1937
Raun, Alfred D.	Walthill	8	1955-1957
Read, Guy R.C.	Omaha	4	1902-1904
Reagan, Ronald E.	Papillion	2	1972-2005
Redick, William A.	Omaha	4	1904-1912 1915-1936
Redmond, Maurice S.	Dakota City	6	1993-2005
Reed, Eldridge G.	Kearney	12	1941-1961
Reeder, James G.	Columbus	6	1904-1908
Rehmeier, Randall L.	Nebraska City	2	1990-2013
Reimer, Henry F.	O'Neill	15	1974-1983
Retelsdorf, Leigh Ann	Omaha	4	2009-
Rhoades, Herbert	Tekamah, Omaha	4	1927-1961
Richling, Theodore L.	Omaha	4	1970-1983
Riley, William H.	Grand Island	11	1984-1992
Rine, John A.	Omaha	4	1937-1944
Rist, William B.	Beatrice	1	1971-1998
Robertson, William A.	Plattsmouth	2	1944
Robinson, J.S.	Madison	9	1895-1899
Robinson, Russell A.	Fremont	6	1945-1961
Rogers, Patrick	Randolph	7	2001-2009
Ronin, Herbert A.	Lincoln	3	1961-1981
Rowlands, Donald E., II	North Platte	11	1986-
Ryan, Mark J.	Pender	8	1925-1941
Samson, John E.	Fremont	6	2003-
Savage, James W.	Omaha	3	1876-1883
Savidge, Samuel L.	Kearney	10	1883-1884
Schatz, Gregory	Omaha, Waterloo	4	2000-
Scheele, Elmer M.	Lincoln	3	1961-1972
Schmidt, Victor H.	Papillion	2	1964-1972
Scott, C.R.	Omaha	4	1892-1900
Sears, Willis G.	Tekamah, Omaha	4	1904-1923 1933-1949

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Name	Residence	District	Term
Sedgwick, S. H.	York	5	1896-1900
Sharp, Betty P.	Nebraska City	2	1972-1976
Shepherd, Frederick E.	Lincoln	3	1917-1945
Sidner, S.S.	Kearney	12	1961-1976
Silverman, Brian C.	Scottsbluff, Alliance	12	1992-2010
Sinclair, H.M.	Kearney	12	1895-1896
Slabaugh, W.W.	Omaha	4	1896-1904
Smith, Jerome H.	Aurora	6	1890-1892
Smith, Robert L.	Omaha	4	1961-1965
Smith, Walter H.	Plattsmouth	2	1965-1974
Smith, William C. Jr.	Ainsworth	15	1961-1974
Sornborger, S.H.	York	5	1900-1904
Spear, Frederick L.	Fremont	6	1928-1945
Spencer, Harry A.	Lincoln	3	1952-1961
Spethman, Richard J.	Omaha	4	1992-2005
Spikes, William F.	St. Paul	11	1941-1958
Sprague, Bernard	Red Cloud	10	1977-1999
Stacy, Stephanie	Lincoln	3	2011-
Stalmaster, Irvin	Omaha	4	1928-1929
Stanley, George H.	Syracuse	2	1976-1983
Stauffer, Carroll	Oakland	4	1921-1925
Stauffer, Carroll O.	Omaha	4	1950-1961
Stecker, James C.	Seward	5	2013-
Steinke, Robert R.	Columbus	5	1991-
Stewart, Charles H.	Norfolk	9	1928-1941
Stewart, Willard E.	Lincoln	3	1908-1929
Stratman, Shelly R.	Omaha	4	2012-
Strode, Jesse B.	Lincoln	3	1892-1894
Stuart, Hugh	North Platte	13	1965-1986
Stubbs, George W.	Superior	7	1900-1904
Stull, J.S.	Auburn	1	1896-1904
Sullivan, Homer M.	Broken Bow	12	1897-1903
Sullivan, J.J.	Columbus	6	1892-1897
Sutton, Abraham L.	Omaha, South Omaha	4	1904-1914 1925-1927
Tesar, Rudolph	Omaha	4	1964-1979
Tewell, J.L.	Sidney	13	1921-1949
Thomas, George H.	Columbus, Schuyler	6	1908-1919
Thompson, George A.	Papillion	2	1983-2006
Thompson, J.R.	Grand Island	11	1892-1904
Thomsen, Arthur C.	Omaha	4	1929-1961
Tibbets, A. S.	Lincoln	3	1891-1896
Tiffany, Fayette B.	Albion	9	1883-1892
Travis, Harvey D.	Plattsmouth	2	1908-1913
Troia, Joseph S.	Omaha	4	1991-
Troup, Alexander C.	Omaha	4	1904-1929
Tuttle, Samuel J.	Lincoln	3	1898
Valentine, E. K.	West Point	6	1877-1878
Van Pelt, Samuel	Lincoln	3	1972-1983
Van Steenberg, Richard M.	Mitchell	7	1957-1961
Vaughan, Paul J.	Dakota City	6	2011-
Wakeley, Arthur C.	Omaha	4	1917-1927
Wakeley, Eleazer	Omaha	3, 4	1883-1892
Walton, W.C.	Blair	4	1892-1896
Warren, Merritt C.	Creighton	9	1969-1991
Weaver, A.J.	Falls City	1	1876-1882
Weaver, Donald H.	Grand Island	11	1961-1978
Weimer, Derek C.	Gering	12	2009-
Welch, Anson A.	Wayne	9	1907-1928
Welty, D.T.	Cambridge	14	1892-1896
Wenke, Adolph E.	Stanton	9	1938-1943
Westermarck, Victor	McCook	14	1946-1969
Westover, William H.	Rushville	15, 16	1896-1926
Wheeler, Mason	Lincoln	3	1925-1929
Wheeler, Robert	Osceola	5	1892-1896
White, C. Thomas	Columbus	6, 21	1965-1977

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Name	Residence	District	Term
White, Paul W.....	Lincoln.....	3.....	1953-1963
Whitehead, John C.....	Columbus.....	5.....	1977-1998
Wilson, Ralph.....	Lincoln.....	3.....	1943-1952
Wilson, W.W.....	Nebraska City.....	2.....	1937-1944
Windrum, Keith.....	Gothenburg.....	13.....	1972-1986
Witthoff, Earl J.....	Lincoln.....	3.....	1988-2008
Wolf, DeWayne.....	Kearney.....	12.....	1976-1990
Wright, Fred A.....	Omaha.....	4.....	1929-1932
Yeager, John W.....	Omaha.....	4.....	1933-1940
Young, Mark John.....	Grand Island.....	9.....	2014-
Zastera, William B.....	Nebraska City, Papillion.....	2.....	1997-
Zeilinger, John D.....	York.....	5.....	1956-1977

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D.S. McGary.....	May 10, 1852	James G. Chapman.....	Aug. 3, 1857
Jonathan H. Smith .....	June 9, 1855	William McLellan.....	Aug. 3, 1857
S.A. Strickland.....	June 11, 1855	George W. Doane.....	Aug. 3, 1857
John M. Latham .....	Nov. 6, 1855	U.C. Johnson.....	Oct. 11, 1859
Jacob Safford.....	Nov. 6, 1855		
William Kline.....	Nov. 6, 1855		

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Name	Residence	District	Elected
Hewitt, O.B.....	Brownville.....	1.....	1868, 70
Cown, J.C.....	Omaha.....	2.....	1868, 70
Gray, E.F.....	Fremont.....	3.....	1868, 70
Weaver, A.J.....	Falls City.....	1.....	1872
Connell, William J.....	Omaha.....	2.....	1872, 74
		3.....	1875
Hoxic, Melville B.....	Fremont.....	3.....	1872, 74, 75
Dilworth, C.J.....	Plum Creek.....	1.....	1874, 75, 76
Eller, J.W.....	Omaha.....	1.....	1875
Broady, J.H.....	Beatrice.....	2.....	1875
Barnes, John B.....	Ponca.....	6.....	1875, 76
Maule, J.P.....	Fairmont.....	1.....	1876, 78
Smith, George S.....	Plattsmouth.....	2.....	1876
Buckingham, E.H.....	Omaha.....	3.....	1876
Greene, C.J.....	Omaha.....	3.....	1876
Reese, M.B.....	Wahoo.....	4.....	1876, 78, 80
Watson, John C.....	Nebraska City.....	2.....	1878, 80
Ferguson, A.N.....	Omaha.....	3.....	1878
Scofield, T.D.....	Hastings.....	5.....	1878
McNish, C.C.....	Wisner.....	6.....	1878, 80
Morris, William H.....	Crete.....	1.....	1880
Burnham, N.J.....	Omaha.....	3.....	1880
Bierbower, V.....	Sidney.....	5.....	1880
Sabin, Robert W.....	Beatrice.....	1.....	1882
Strode, J.B.....	Plattsmouth.....	2.....	1882, 84
Godwin, Park.....	Omaha.....	3.....	1882
Roberts, Jacob C.....	David City.....	4.....	1882
Bemis, George W.....	Sutton.....	5.....	1883
Darnell, Thomas.....	St. Paul.....	6.....	1882, 84
Bryant, Wilbur F.....	Ponca.....	7.....	1882
Morlan, W.S.....	Arapahoe.....	8.....	1882, 84
Coffin, E.M.....	Ord.....	9.....	1883 <sup>4</sup>
Bixler, J.W.....	North Platte.....	10.....	1883 <sup>4</sup>
Osgood, Daniel.....	Tecumseh.....	1.....	1884
Estelle, Lee S.....	Blair.....	3.....	1884
Marshall, William.....	Fremont.....	4.....	1884
Savage, Manford.....	Hebron.....	7.....	1884
Wilbur, Guy R.....	St. Helena.....	7.....	1884
Jackson, N.D.....	Neligh.....	9.....	1884
Sinclair, H.M.....	Plum Creek.....	10.....	1884

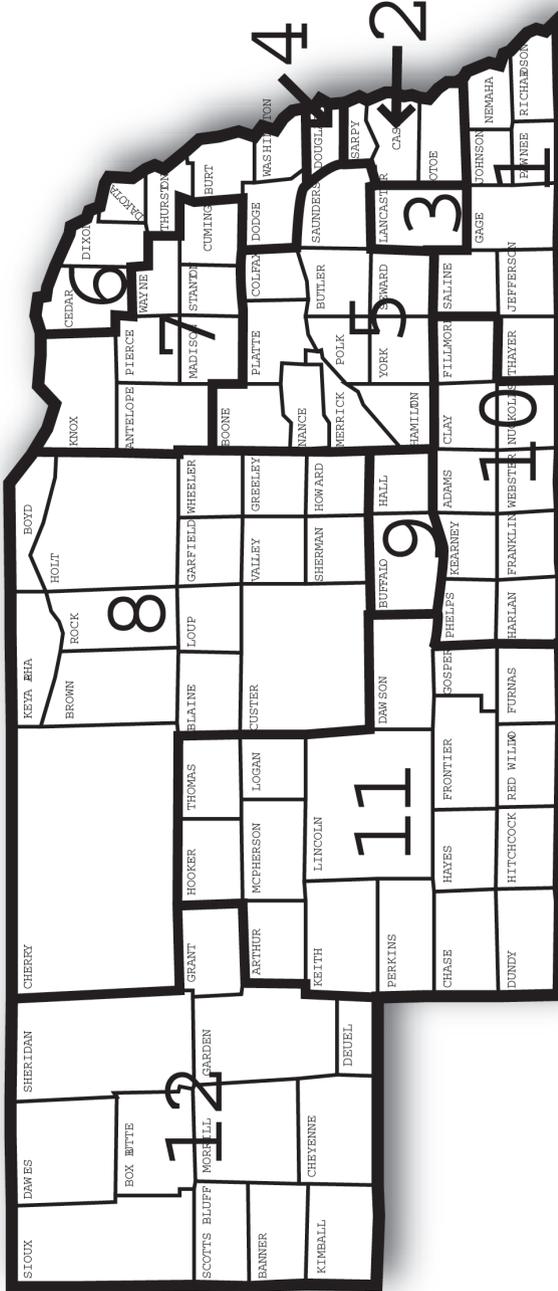
<sup>1</sup> Office abolished by act of Jan. 11, 1861, and revived June 11, 1867.

<sup>2</sup> All dates listed for territorial attorneys indicate beginning of terms.

<sup>3</sup> An 1885 act provided for county attorneys rather than district attorneys beginning March 10 of that year.

<sup>4</sup> Appointed.

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\*Boundaries established by LB1059 in the 1992 legislative session.

## COUNTY COURTS

**Statutory References:** Nebraska Constitution, Article V, Section 1; and 24-502

A county court serves each Nebraska county. The court has:

- civil jurisdiction in cases involving less than \$52,000
- criminal jurisdiction in all misdemeanor cases, including violations of city and village ordinances
- jurisdiction in all probate, estate administration and guardianship matters
- exclusive jurisdiction in juvenile cases, except in Douglas, Lancaster and Sarpy counties
- jurisdiction in domestic relations cases

The present county court system, established in 1972, combines the previous functions of the 93 county courts, several hundred police courts and several hundred justices of the peace. The 1972 change was the first major restructuring of Nebraska's courts of limited jurisdiction since statehood was attained.

The 58 county judges serve in Nebraska's 12 county court judicial districts. Judges were elected to four-year terms on a nonpolitical ballot in 1972. The 1974 Legislature included county judges in the merit plan system of judicial selection. County judges each receive an annual salary totaling 85 percent of a Supreme Court judge's salary.

A clerk magistrate is appointed in each county, except in Douglas, Lancaster and Sarpy counties, where judicial administrators are appointed. In most counties, the clerk magistrate is not a lawyer.

The state pays county judges and county court employees. Each county pays for the cost of facilities, supplies and equipment.

Appeals from the county courts are taken to district court, based on the record made in county court, except when the county court is acting as a juvenile court.

## Nebraska County Judges, 2015\*

District	Judge	Term Expires
1	Linda A. Bauer, Fairbury .....	January 2019
	Curtis L. Maschman, Falls City .....	January 2021
2	Steven B. Timm, Beatrice .....	January 2021
	Todd J. Hutton, Papillion .....	January 2021
	Stefanie A. Martinez, Papillion .....	January 2019
	John F. Steinheider, Nebraska City .....	January 2019
3	Robert C. Wester, Papillion .....	January 2017
	Matthew L. Acton, Lincoln .....	January 2017
	James L. Foster, Lincoln .....	January 2017
	Thomas W. Fox, Lincoln .....	January 2017
	Holly Jo Parsley, Hickman .....	January 2019
4	Timothy C. Phillips, Lincoln .....	January 2021
	Susan Strong, Lincoln .....	January 2017
	Laurie J. Yardley, Lincoln .....	January 2017
	Lawrence E. Barrett, Omaha .....	January 2017
	Susan Bazis, Omaha .....	January 2017
	Joseph P. Caniglia, Omaha .....	January 2021
	Thomas K. Harmon, Omaha .....	January 2021
	Marcena M. Hendrix, Omaha .....	January 2021
	John E. Huber, Omaha .....	January 2021
	Marcela A. Keim, Omaha .....	January 2021
5	Sheryl L. Lohaus, Omaha .....	January 2021
	Darryl R. Lowe, Omaha .....	January 2021
	Jeffrey Marcuzzo, Omaha .....	January 2017
	Craig Q. McDermott, Omaha .....	January 2021
	Derek R. Vaughn, Omaha .....	January 2019
	Linda S. Caster Senff, Aurora .....	January 2021
	Patrick R. McDermott, Schuyler .....	January 2021
	C. Jo Petersen, Seward .....	January 2019
6	Frank J. Skorupa, Columbus .....	January 2017
	Stephen R.W. Twiss, Central City .....	January 2017
	Douglas L. Luebe, Hartington .....	January 2019
7	Kurt Rager, Dakota City .....	January 2017
	C. Matthew Samuelson, Blair .....	January 2021
	Kenneth Vampola, Fremont .....	January 2021
	Michael L. Long, Madison .....	January 2017
8	Ross A. Stoffer, Pierce .....	January 2017
	Donna Taylor, Neligh .....	January 2019
	Alan L. Brodbeck, O'Neill .....	January 2019
9	James J. Orr, Broken Bow .....	January 2021
	Tami K. Schendt, Broken Bow .....	January 2021
	Gerald R. Jorgensen Jr., Kearney .....	January 2019
	Philip M. Martin Jr., Grand Island .....	January 2019
10	John P. Rademacher, Kearney .....	January 2019
	Arthur S. Wetzel, Grand Island .....	January 2021
	Michael P. Burns, Hastings .....	January 2021
	Timothy E. Hoeft, Holdrege .....	January 2017
	Anne Paine, McCook .....	January 2017
11	Michael Piccolo, North Platte .....	January 2021
	Edward D. Steenburg, Ogallala .....	January 2021
	Kent D. Turnbull, North Platte .....	January 2021
	Jeffrey M. Wightman, Lexington .....	January 2019
	Russell W. Harford, Chadron .....	January 2021
12	Kris D. Mickey, Gering .....	January 2021
	Randin Roland, Sidney .....	January 2017
	Paul G. Wess, Alliance .....	January 2019
	James M. Worden, Scottsbluff .....	January 2021

\* Source: Nebraska State Court Administrator's Office.

## SEPARATE JUVENILE COURTS

**Statutory References:** Nebraska Constitution, Article V, Section 27; and 43-2,111

Separate juvenile courts are courts of record and handle matters pertaining to neglected, dependent and delinquent children. These courts also have concurrent jurisdiction with district courts in all matters concerning the care, support, custody or control of mentally deficient children younger than 18. Separate juvenile court judges each receive an annual salary totaling 92.5 percent of a Supreme Court judge’s salary.

There are 11 juvenile judges — five in Douglas County, four in Lancaster County and two in Sarpy County.

County	Judge	Term Expires
Douglas.....	Elizabeth G. Crnkovich, Omaha.....	January 2017
	Vernon Daniels, Omaha.....	January 2017
	Douglas F. Johnson, Omaha.....	January 2017
	Christopher Kelly, Omaha.....	January 2017
	Wadie Thomas, Omaha.....	January 2017
Lancaster.....	Roger Heideman, Lincoln.....	January 2019
	Linda S. Porter, Lincoln.....	January 2021
	Reggie L. Ryder, Lincoln.....	January 2017
Sarpy.....	Toni G. Thorson, Lincoln.....	January 2017
	Lawrence D. Gendler, Papillion.....	January 2021
	Robert B. O’Neal, Papillion.....	January 2019

## WORKERS’ COMPENSATION COURT

**Office Address:** State Capitol, P.O. Box 98908, Lincoln, NE 68509-8908, phone (402) 471-6468, toll-free phone (800) 599-5155, email address — [newcc@wcc.ne.gov](mailto:newcc@wcc.ne.gov), website — [www.wcc.ne.gov](http://www.wcc.ne.gov)

**Administrator:** Glenn W. Morton

**Statutory Reference:** 48-152

**Publications:** Annual Report; court rules; annual Occupational Safety and Health Survey; various information pamphlets.

The Workers’ Compensation Court administers and enforces the Nebraska Workers’ Compensation Act, including original jurisdiction of claims for workers’ compensation benefits resulting from industrial accidents or occupational diseases. All disputed claims must be submitted to the court for finding, award, order or judgment. Appeals may be taken to the Court of Appeals.

The first Nebraska Workers’ Compensation Law was passed in 1914. From then until 1917, several state district courts administered the act. In 1917, the Legislature created the Compensation Division in the Department of Labor, and the commissioner of labor was designated compensation commissioner. The 1935 Legislature transferred Compensation Division functions to the Workers’ Compensation Court.

Compensation court judges are selected and serve terms pursuant to a merit plan. Each judge’s salary is 92.5 percent of the salary set for the chief justice and judges of the Supreme Court. Compensation court judges have statewide jurisdiction and travel throughout the state to hold hearings in county seats in disputed cases. The

court administers the Workers’ Compensation Court Trust Fund (formerly the Second Injury and Vocational Rehabilitation Trust fund). The court reviews qualifications of employers who want to be self-insured. Other court duties include certifying vocational rehabilitation providers, administering the medical, surgical and hospital fee schedules, providing the independent medical examiner system, certifying managed care plans, creating publications and providing informal dispute resolution. The court also maintains a statewide toll-free information line. To perform its duties, the court is organized into two operating divisions and seven operating sections. The adjudication division, under the direction of the presiding judge, includes the judges and the Office of the Clerk of the Court. The administration division, under the direction of the administrator, includes Administration, Rehabilitation, Legal, Public Information Services and Coverage and Claims sections.

All reportable industrial accidents and occupational diseases are required to be reported to the court. The court maintains a computer database of work-related injuries and all payments reported, as well as employers’ insurance coverage.

<b>Judge</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
James R. Coe, Omaha.....	January 2017
J. Michael Fitzgerald, Lincoln.....	January 2019
Daniel R. Fridrich, Omaha .....	January 2021
John R. Hoffert, Lincoln.....	January 2017
Julie A. Martin, Omaha .....	January 2019
Thomas E. Stine, Lincoln .....	January 2021
Lauren K. VanNorman, Lincoln (Presiding).....	January 2021

## Workers’ Compensation Court Judges, 1935-2015

<b>Judge</b>	<b>Term of Service</b>
Lawrence F. Welch .....	June 8, 1935-July 1, 1941
Franklin M. Coffey.....	Dec. 15, 1965-March 31, 1973
Paul L. Hoffman.....	June 8, 1935-July 1, 1943
Charles E. Jackman .....	July 1, 1941-July 1, 1945
Joe P. Cashen.....	June 8, 1935-July 30, 1951
O.M. Olsen.....	Oct. 8, 1951-Jan. 31, 1956
Albert Arms.....	July 1, 1943-Dec. 31, 1960
William H. Riley .....	July 1, 1945-Dec. 31, 1964
Richard N. Johnson.....	Jan. 1, 1965-June 1, 1969
Richard S. Willes.....	Jan. 1, 1965-June 1, 1969
Ted W. Vrana.....	June 1, 1969-Sept. 1, 1977
James P. Monen.....	Sept. 15, 1975-April 30, 1993
Mark A. Buchholz.....	Sept. 1, 1977-August 31, 1993
Ben Novicoff.....	Aug. 1, 1972-Feb. 28, 1994
Paul E. LeClair.....	Feb. 1, 1956-Jan. 31, 1996
Joseph S. Ramirez.....	April 4, 1973-Oct. 20, 1997
Michael P. Cavel.....	Nov. 1, 1993-June 30, 2001
James R. Coe.....	Oct. 5, 1983-Sept. 30, 2011
Lauren K. VanNorman .....	Oct. 7, 1988-
Ronald L. Brown .....	July 6, 1993-
J. Michael Fitzgerald.....	April 8, 1994-Aug. 2, 2012
Michael K. High.....	April 12, 1996-
John R. Hoffert.....	Jan. 8, 1998- Nov. 30, 2014
Thomas E. Stine.....	Oct. 4, 2001-
Daniel R. Fridrich.....	Sept. 13, 2011-
Julie A. Martin.....	Sept. 18, 2012-
	Dec. 23, 2014-

# JUDICIAL COMMISSIONS

## Judicial Resources Commission

**Contact Person:** Corey R. Steel, State Court Administrator, Room 1213, State Capitol, P.O. Box 98910, Lincoln, NE 68509-8910, phone (402) 471-3730

**Statutory Reference:** 24-1201

When a district or county judge dies, retires, resigns, is removed from office or is not retained in office, or if there is a need to change the boundaries or number of district or county judicial districts or the number of judgeships, the Judicial Resources Commission holds a public hearing in the affected district or districts. The commission determines whether a judicial vacancy exists and the location of that vacancy, whether the judicial district boundaries or number of districts should be changed or whether the number of district or county judges should be changed. After reaching a decision, the commission makes a recommendation to the Legislature.

Commission members include:

- a district judge, a county judge, a juvenile judge and a Supreme Court judge, all of whom are appointed by the Supreme Court. The Supreme Court judge serves as commission chairperson.
- six members of the Nebraska State Bar Association, one from each of the six Supreme Court districts, who have practiced law in the state for at least 10 years and who are appointed by the association’s executive council
- seven governor-appointed citizens, one from each of the six Supreme Court districts and one appointed at large, who are not judges (active or retired), Nebraska State Bar Association members or immediate family members of any other member

All members of the commission serve six-year terms. Members are reimbursed for expenses.

<b>Member</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Richard Carter, Bellevue.....	Citizen, District 4.....	July 1, 2016
Mike Day, Omaha .....	Citizen, District 2.....	July 1, 2016
William Dittrick, Omaha.....	Attorney, District 4.....	July 1, 2020
Timothy Engler, Lincoln.....	Attorney, District 1.....	July 1, 2020
Jayne Mann, Aurora.....	Citizen, District 5.....	July 1, 2016
Michael J. McCarthy, North Platte.....	Attorney, District 6.....	July 1, 2020
Michael McCormack, Lincoln (Chairman) .....	Supreme Court Judge.....	July 14, 2016
Patrick McDermott, Schuyler.....	County Judge.....	July 14, 2016
Robert O’Neal, Papillion.....	Juvenile Judge .....	Oct. 31, 2019
Robert J. Parker, Hastings.....	Attorney, District 5.....	July 1, 2020
Brian Phares, North Platte.....	Citizen, District 6.....	July 1, 2016
John Samson, Fremont.....	District Judge.....	July 14, 2016
Lori Scherer, Beemer.....	Citizen, District 3.....	July 1, 2016
Amy Schlichting, Lincoln.....	Citizen, At Large.....	July 1, 2016
Mark M. Sipple, Columbus.....	Attorney, District 3.....	July 1, 2020
Robert Slovek, Omaha.....	Attorney, District 2.....	July 1, 2020
Darlene Starman, Lincoln.....	Citizen, District 1.....	July 1, 2016

## Judicial Nominating Commission

**Contact Person:** Corey R. Steel, State Court Administrator, Room 1213, State Capitol, P.O. Box 98910, Lincoln, NE 68509-8910, phone (402) 471-3730

**Statutory References:** Nebraska Constitution, Article V, Section 21; and 24-801

Once a determination is made that a judicial vacancy exists and a location is selected for the judge's home court, a judicial nominating commission holds a public hearing to interview candidates for the position.

Judicial nominating commissions are local bodies composed of four lawyers selected by the Nebraska State Bar Association and four nonlawyers appointed by the governor. No more than two lawyers may be from the same political party. Commission members serve four-year terms.

After each judicial nominating commission public hearing, the commission selects at least two qualified candidates for consideration by the governor. Generally, the governor selects the new judge. If the governor does not make an appointment in 60 days, the chief justice of the Supreme Court makes the appointment from the commission's list of candidates.

By Sept. 1 of each year, the clerk of the Supreme Court determines whether vacancies exist on any commission and reports the status of each commission to the governor. The governor must promptly fill vacancies of members that he or she appointed. Vacancies of commission lawyer members must be filled promptly by a special election, conducted by the Supreme Court clerk.

## Commission on Judicial Qualifications

**Contact Person:** Corey R. Steel, State Court Administrator, Room 1213, State Capitol, P.O. Box 98910, Lincoln, NE 68509-8910, phone (402) 471-3730

**Statutory References:** Nebraska Constitution, Article V, Section 28; and 24-715

The 1967 Legislature created the Commission on Judicial Qualifications pursuant to Article V, Sections 28 to 31 of the Nebraska Constitution, as adopted at the 1966 general election.

Any citizen may file a complaint with the commission about judges' acts, activities or qualifications. The commission conducts investigations after receiving complaints or requests for action. The commission can subpoena witnesses, hold hearings, require the judge to submit physical or mental examination findings by medical experts, appoint special masters to conduct hearings and conduct special investigations. The commission may recommend to the Supreme Court that a judge be either reprimanded, disciplined, censured or suspended. Actions calling for such punishment include:

- willful misconduct in office
- willful disregard of or failure to perform duties
- habitual intemperance
- conviction of a crime involving moral turpitude
- disbarment from the legal profession
- conduct that harms the administration of justice and the integrity of the judicial office

office

A constitutional amendment adopted in 1980 provides that commission membership include:

- a district judge, a county judge and a judge of any other court except the Supreme Court, all of whom are appointed by the chief justice
- three members of the Nebraska State Bar Association who have practiced law in the state for at least 10 years and who are appointed by the association’s executive council
- three citizens who are not judges or Nebraska State Bar Association members and who are appointed by the governor
- the chief justice, who serves as the commission chairperson

Members serve four-year terms. The commission meets three to five times a year. Members are not paid but may be reimbursed for their expenses.

<b>Member</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Tammy Allen, Grand Island.....	Citizen .....	March 31, 2017
Hon. Alan L. Brodbeck, O’Neill.....	County Judge.....	March 31, 2017
Douglas Dolezal, Lincoln .....	Citizen .....	March 31, 2017
Hon. Terri S. Harder, Minden.....	District Judge .....	March 31, 2017
Margaret Hornady, Grand Island .....	Citizen .....	March 31, 2017
D. Steven Leininger, Grand Island .....	Attorney.....	March 31, 2017
Mandy Strigenz, Omaha.....	Attorney.....	March 31, 2017
Hon. Wadie Thomas, Omaha.....	Juvenile Court Judge .....	March 31, 2017
Terry R. Wittler, Lincoln.....	Attorney .....	March 31, 2017
Hon. Michael G. Heavican, Lincoln (Chair)....	Chief Justice.....	Nonexpiring



# LOCAL GOVERNMENT

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## COUNTIES

Nebraska's 93 counties operate under organized county governments that receive their powers from the state constitution and state statutes. Sixty-seven counties are commissioner counties and are governed by a board of commissioners. Counties with township government are governed by a board of supervisors. The 26 counties with supervisors are Adams, Antelope, Boyd, Buffalo, Burt, Butler, Clay, Cuming, Custer, Dixon, Dodge, Fillmore, Franklin, Gage, Hall, Harlan, Holt, Kearney, Knox, Merrick, Nance, Platte, Saunders, Thurston, Valley and Washington.

The county boards under each system have similar powers and tenure. The primary difference between commissioner and supervisor forms of government is that supervisor counties have township boards and officers. Boards of commissioners have either three, five or seven members who are elected to four-year terms. Boards of supervisors have seven members who also are elected to four-year terms.

Each county has an elected clerk, sheriff and treasurer. Other elected county offices may include an assessor, attorney, clerk of the district court, register of deeds and surveyor. The population of the county generally determines whether additional officials are elected. In some cases, the offices are appointed. Appointed county offices may include: emergency managers, health directors, highway superintendents, planning and zoning directors, transportation officials, veterans service officers and weed control superintendents.

## Nebraska Association of County Officials

**Office Address:** 1335 H St, Lincoln, NE 68508, phone (402) 434-5660, fax (402) 434-5673, website — [www.nacone.org](http://www.nacone.org)

**Executive Director:** Larry Dix

The Nebraska Association of County Officials was organized in 1894 and formally incorporated as a nonprofit organization in 1968. Ninety-three member counties belong to the organization. NACO's objective is to stimulate and contribute to the continuing improvement of county government in Nebraska by promoting increased efficiency and economy, augmenting a higher standard of public service and protecting the common good and general welfare of Nebraska county residents. To achieve this objective, NACO regularly sponsors continuing education programs, conducts research, publishes educational materials, administers cost-saving programs and represents the interests of Nebraska counties before state and federal governments, agencies and courts.

Population of Nebraska Counties, 1890-2013\*

County	2013	2010	2000	1990	1980	1970	1960	1950	1940	1930	1920	1910	1900	1890
Adams.....	31,610	31,364	31,151	29,625	30,656	30,553	28,944	28,855	24,576	26,275	22,621	20,900	18,840	24,303
Antelope.....	6,456	6,685	7,452	7,965	8,675	9,047	10,176	11,624	13,289	15,206	15,243	14,003	11,344	10,399
Arthur.....	458	460	444	462	513	606	680	803	1,045	1,344	1,412	-	-	91
Banner.....	759	690	819	852	918	1,034	1,269	1,325	1,403	1,676	1,435	1,444	1,114	2,435
Blaine.....	482	478	583	675	867	847	1,016	1,203	1,538	1,584	1,778	1,672	1,603	1,146
Boone.....	5,505	5,505	6,259	6,667	7,391	8,190	9,134	10,721	12,127	14,738	14,146	13,145	11,689	8,683
Box Butte.....	11,305	11,308	12,158	13,130	13,606	10,094	11,688	12,279	10,736	11,861	8,407	6,131	5,572	5,094
Boyd.....	2,099	2,438	2,438	2,835	3,331	3,752	4,513	4,911	6,060	7,169	8,243	8,826	7,332	695
Brown.....	2,926	3,145	3,525	3,657	4,377	4,021	4,436	5,164	5,962	5,772	6,749	6,083	3,470	4,359
Buffalo.....	46,102	42,259	37,447	34,797	31,222	26,236	25,134	23,655	24,338	23,787	21,907	20,254	22,102	11,069
Burt.....	6,858	7,791	7,868	8,813	9,247	10,192	10,312	11,432	13,106	14,410	14,606	15,403	15,703	15,545
Butler.....	8,395	8,767	8,601	9,330	9,461	10,312	11,432	11,432	13,106	14,410	14,606	15,403	15,703	15,545
Cass.....	25,357	24,334	24,334	21,318	20,297	18,076	17,821	16,361	16,992	17,684	18,029	19,786	21,330	24,080
Cedar.....	8,852	9,615	10,131	11,375	11,375	12,192	13,368	13,843	15,126	16,427	16,225	15,191	12,467	7,028
Chase.....	3,966	4,068	4,381	4,758	4,129	4,317	5,310	5,176	5,310	5,484	4,939	3,613	2,559	4,807
Cherry.....	5,788	5,713	6,148	6,307	6,758	6,846	8,218	8,397	9,637	10,898	11,753	10,414	6,541	6,428
Cheyenne.....	10,091	9,998	9,830	9,494	10,057	10,778	14,828	12,081	9,505	10,187	8,405	4,551	5,570	5,693
Clay.....	6,392	6,542	7,039	7,123	8,106	8,266	8,717	8,700	10,445	13,571	14,486	15,729	15,735	16,310
Colfax.....	10,425	10,315	10,441	9,139	9,890	9,498	9,959	10,010	10,627	11,434	11,624	11,610	11,211	10,453
Cuming.....	8,996	9,139	10,203	10,117	11,664	12,034	12,435	12,994	13,362	14,327	13,769	13,782	14,584	12,265
Custer.....	10,939	11,793	13,877	14,092	16,517	19,170	22,591	22,591	26,189	26,407	25,668	19,758	21,677	2,211
Dakota.....	21,006	20,253	16,742	16,573	13,137	12,168	10,401	9,836	9,505	10,160	10,160	6,564	6,286	5,886
Dawes.....	9,182	9,060	9,021	9,609	9,761	9,536	9,708	10,428	11,493	12,544	13,604	12,214	10,129	9,722
Dawson.....	24,207	24,326	24,326	24,304	22,304	19,711	19,405	19,393	17,890	17,875	16,004	15,961	12,214	10,129
Deuel.....	1,937	1,941	2,098	2,237	2,462	2,717	3,125	3,330	3,880	3,992	3,282	1,786	2,630	2,893
Dixon.....	5,851	6,000	6,339	6,143	7,137	7,453	8,106	9,129	10,413	11,586	11,815	11,477	10,535	8,084
Dodge.....	36,515	36,691	36,100	34,500	37,872	34,782	32,471	26,265	23,799	25,273	23,197	22,145	22,298	19,260
Douglas.....	537,256	517,110	463,585	416,444	397,038	389,455	343,490	281,020	247,562	232,982	204,524	168,546	140,500	158,008
Dundy.....	1,981	2,008	2,292	2,582	2,926	2,926	3,570	4,354	5,122	5,610	4,869	4,098	2,434	4,012
Fillmore.....	5,098	5,890	6,634	7,103	7,920	8,137	9,425	9,610	11,417	12,971	13,671	14,674	15,087	16,022
Franklin.....	3,085	3,225	3,574	3,938	4,377	4,566	5,449	7,096	7,740	9,094	10,067	10,303	9,455	7,693
Frontier.....	2,709	2,756	3,099	3,101	3,647	3,982	4,311	5,282	6,417	8,114	8,540	8,572	8,781	8,497
Furnas.....	4,865	4,959	5,324	5,553	6,486	6,897	7,711	9,385	10,098	12,140	11,657	12,083	12,573	9,840
Gage.....	2,1864	2,2311	22,993	22,794	24,456	25,731	26,818	28,032	29,588	30,242	29,721	30,325	30,051	36,344
Garden.....	1,902	2,057	2,292	2,460	2,802	2,929	3,472	4,114	4,680	5,099	4,572	3,538	-	-
Garfield.....	2,035	2,049	1,902	2,141	2,363	2,411	2,699	2,912	3,444	3,207	3,496	3,417	2,127	1,659
Grant.....	1,972	2,044	2,143	1,928	2,140	2,178	2,489	2,734	3,687	4,287	4,669	4,933	5,301	4,816
Grainger.....	633	614	747	769	877	1,019	1,009	1,037	1,327	1,427	1,486	1,097	763	458

\* Sources: *The Nebraska Databook*, Nebraska Department of Economic Development; U.S. Bureau of the Census, 2013 population estimates and similar publications for preceding years.

Population of Nebraska Counties, 1880-2013 (Cont'd.)

County	2013	2010	2000	1990	1980	1970	1960	1950	1940	1930	1920	1910	1900	1890
Greely.....	2,494	2,538	2,714	3,006	3,462	4,000	4,595	5,575	6,845	8,442	8,685	8,047	5,691	4,869
Hall.....	60,720	58,607	53,534	48,925	47,690	42,851	35,757	32,186	27,523	27,117	23,720	20,361	17,206	16,513
Hamilton.....	9,112	9,124	9,403	8,862	9,301	8,867	8,714	8,778	9,982	12,159	13,237	13,459	13,330	14,096
Haran.....	3,513	3,423	3,786	3,810	4,292	4,357	5,081	7,189	7,130	8,957	9,220	9,578	9,370	8,158
Hayes.....	976	967	1,068	1,222	1,356	1,530	1,919	2,404	2,958	3,603	3,527	3,011	2,708	3,953
Hitchcock.....	2,872	2,908	3,111	3,750	4,079	4,051	4,829	5,867	6,404	7,269	6,045	5,415	4,409	5,799
Holt.....	10,449	10,435	11,511	12,599	13,552	12,933	13,722	14,859	16,552	16,509	17,151	15,545	12,224	13,672
Hooker.....	738	736	793	793	909	939	1,130	1,061	1,253	1,180	1,378	981	432	426
Howard.....	6,355	6,274	6,567	6,057	6,773	6,807	6,541	7,226	8,422	10,020	10,739	10,785	10,343	9,430
Jefferson.....	7,560	7,547	8,333	8,759	9,817	10,436	11,620	13,623	15,532	16,409	16,140	16,852	15,196	14,830
Johnson.....	5,144	5,217	4,888	4,673	5,285	5,743	6,281	7,251	8,662	9,157	8,940	10,187	11,197	10,333
Kearney.....	6,548	6,489	6,482	6,629	7,053	6,707	6,580	6,409	6,854	8,094	8,583	9,106	9,866	9,061
Keith.....	8,130	8,368	8,875	8,584	9,364	8,487	7,958	7,449	8,333	6,721	5,294	3,692	1,951	2,556
Kewa Paha.....	790	824	983	1,029	1,301	1,340	1,672	2,160	3,235	3,203	3,594	3,452	3,076	3,920
Kimball.....	3,702	3,821	4,089	4,108	4,882	6,009	7,975	4,283	3,913	4,675	4,498	1,942	758	959
Knox.....	8,565	8,701	9,374	9,534	11,457	11,723	13,300	14,820	16,478	19,110	18,894	18,358	14,343	8,552
Lancaster.....	297,036	285,407	250,291	213,641	192,884	167,972	155,272	119,742	100,585	100,324	85,902	73,793	64,835	76,395
Lancaster.....	36,051	36,288	34,632	32,508	36,455	29,538	28,491	27,580	25,425	25,627	23,420	15,684	11,416	10,441
Logan.....	763	763	774	878	983	991	1,108	1,357	1,742	2,014	1,596	1,521	960	1,378
Loup.....	576	632	712	683	859	854	1,097	1,348	1,777	1,818	1,946	2,188	1,305	1,662
McPherson.....	526	539	533	546	593	623	735	825	1,175	1,358	1,692	2,470	517	401
Madison.....	35,278	34,876	35,226	32,655	31,382	27,402	25,145	24,338	24,269	26,037	22,511	19,101	16,976	13,669
Merrick.....	7,802	7,845	8,204	8,049	8,945	8,751	8,363	8,812	9,354	10,619	10,763	10,379	9,255	8,738
Morrill.....	4,908	5,042	5,440	5,423	6,085	5,815	7,057	8,263	9,456	9,950	9,151	4,584	-	-
Nance.....	3,623	3,735	4,038	4,275	4,740	5,142	5,635	6,512	7,653	8,718	8,712	8,926	8,222	5,773
Nemaha.....	7,157	7,248	7,576	7,980	8,367	8,976	9,099	10,973	12,781	12,356	12,547	13,095	14,952	12,930
Nuckolls.....	4,413	4,500	5,057	5,786	6,726	7,404	8,217	9,609	10,446	12,629	13,236	13,019	12,414	11,417
Otoe.....	15,742	15,740	15,396	14,252	15,183	15,576	16,503	17,056	18,994	19,901	19,494	19,323	22,288	25,403
Pawnee.....	2,709	2,773	3,087	3,317	3,937	4,473	5,356	6,744	8,514	9,423	9,578	10,582	11,770	10,340
Perkins.....	2,921	2,970	3,200	3,367	3,637	3,423	4,189	4,809	5,197	5,834	3,967	2,570	1,702	4,364
Phelps.....	9,213	9,188	9,747	9,715	9,769	9,553	9,800	9,048	8,452	9,261	9,900	10,451	10,772	9,869
Pierce.....	7,150	7,266	7,857	7,827	8,493	8,493	8,722	9,405	10,211	11,080	10,122	8,445	4,864	4,864
Platte.....	32,505	32,237	31,662	29,820	28,852	26,544	23,992	19,910	20,191	21,181	19,464	19,006	17,747	15,437
Polk.....	5,275	5,406	5,639	5,668	6,320	6,468	7,210	8,044	8,748	10,092	10,714	10,521	10,542	10,817
Red Willow.....	11,006	11,055	11,448	11,705	12,615	12,191	12,940	12,977	11,951	13,859	11,434	11,056	9,604	8,837
Richardson.....	8,125	8,363	9,531	9,937	11,315	12,277	13,903	16,886	19,178	19,826	18,968	17,448	19,614	17,574
Rock.....	1,411	1,526	2,019	2,283	2,251	2,554	3,026	3,977	5,977	3,566	3,703	3,627	2,809	3,083
Saline.....	14,416	14,200	15,843	12,715	13,131	12,809	12,542	14,046	15,010	16,356	16,514	17,866	18,252	20,097
Sarpy.....	169,331	158,840	122,595	102,583	86,015	66,200	31,281	15,693	10,835	10,402	9,370	9,274	9,080	6,875

# Population of Nebraska Counties, 1880-2013 (Cont'd.)

County	2013	2010	2000	1990	1980	1970	1960	1950	1940	1930	1920	1910	1900	1890
Saunders.....	20,929	20,780	19,830	18,285	18,716	17,018	17,270	16,923	17,892	20,167	20,589	21,179	22,085	21,577
Scotts Bluff.....	36,848	36,970	36,951	36,025	38,344	36,432	33,809	33,939	33,917	28,644	20,710	8,355	2,552	1,888
Seward.....	17,089	16,750	16,496	15,450	15,789	14,460	13,581	13,155	14,167	15,938	15,867	15,895	15,690	16,140
Sheridan.....	5,251	5,469	6,198	6,750	7,544	7,285	9,049	9,539	9,869	10,793	9,625	7,328	6,033	8,687
Sherman.....	3,106	3,152	3,318	3,718	4,226	4,725	5,382	6,421	7,764	9,122	8,877	8,278	6,550	6,399
Sioux.....	1,313	1,311	1,475	1,549	1,845	2,034	2,575	3,124	4,001	4,667	4,528	5,599	2,055	2,452
Stanton.....	6,129	6,455	6,244	6,549	6,549	5,758	5,783	6,387	6,887	7,809	7,756	7,542	6,959	4,619
Thayer.....	5,189	5,228	6,055	6,635	7,582	7,779	9,118	10,563	12,262	13,684	15,976	14,775	14,325	12,738
Thomas.....	699	647	729	851	973	954	1,078	1,206	1,553	1,510	1,773	1,191	628	517
Thurston.....	6,895	6,940	7,171	6,936	7,186	6,942	7,237	8,590	10,243	10,462	9,589	8,704	6,517	3,176
Valley.....	4,193	4,260	4,647	5,169	5,633	5,783	6,590	7,252	8,163	9,533	9,823	9,480	7,339	7,092
Washington.....	20,223	20,234	18,780	16,607	15,508	13,310	12,103	11,511	11,578	12,095	12,180	12,738	13,086	11,869
Wayne.....	9,411	9,595	9,851	9,364	9,858	10,400	9,959	10,129	9,880	10,566	9,725	10,397	9,862	6,169
Webster.....	3,688	3,812	4,061	4,279	4,858	5,396	6,224	7,395	8,071	10,210	10,922	12,008	11,619	11,210
Wheeler.....	759	818	886	948	1,051	1,297	1,526	2,170	2,470	2,335	2,531	2,292	1,362	1,683
York.....	13,883	13,665	14,598	14,428	14,798	13,685	13,724	14,346	14,874	17,239	17,146	18,721	18,205	17,279
State Total <sup>1</sup> .....	1,868,516	1,826,341	1,711,263	1,578,417	1,569,825	1,485,333	1,411,330	1,325,510	1,315,834	1,377,963	1,296,372	1,192,214	1,066,300	1,058,910

<sup>1</sup>The state total may be more than the sum of the counties because several areas never had a legal existence and were dropped or reorganized in subsequent years. The state total also may be less than the sum of the counties due to rounding.

# MUNICIPALITIES

State law classifies Nebraska’s incorporated cities and villages, or municipalities, into five categories based on population.<sup>1</sup>

<b>Class</b>	<b>Population</b>
Metropolitan Class City.....	300,000 or more
Primary Class City.....	100,001 to 299,999
First Class City.....	5,001 to 100,000
Second Class City.....	801 to 5,000 <sup>2</sup>
Village .....	100 to 800 <sup>2</sup>

Omaha is the state’s only metropolitan class city, and Lincoln is the only primary class city. Nebraska has 30 first class cities and 117 second class cities. The remaining 381 incorporated municipalities in Nebraska are classified as villages. Although the minimum population required for incorporation is 100, many villages that have lost population have fewer than 100 people. Residents of a city or village may decide to retain a classification if census figures indicate its population has changed.

Most Nebraska municipalities have a mayor-council form of government. Exceptions include Nebraska City, which has a commissioner form of government, and several others with a council-manager system. Each village is governed by a board of trustees. Lincoln and Omaha operate under their own charters of government, an option granted in the state constitution.

## First Class Cities

Alliance	Gering	Nebraska City	Scottsbluff
Beatrice	Grand Island	Norfolk	Seward
Bellevue	Hastings	North Platte	Sidney
Blair	Holdrege	Ogallala	South Sioux City
Chadron	Kearney	Papillion	Wayne
Columbus	La Vista	Plattsmouth	York
Crete	Lexington	Ralston	
Fremont	McCook	Schuyler	

## Second Class Cities

Ainsworth	Auburn	Beaver City	Blue Springs
Albion	Aurora	Benkelman	Bridgeport
Alma	Bassett	Bennington	Broken Bow
Arapahoe	Battle Creek	Bloomfield	Burwell
Ashland	Bayard	Blue Hill	Cambridge
Atkinson			

<sup>1</sup>See Pages 806-812 for Nebraska city and village population statistics and Pages 813-826 for city and village addresses, phone numbers and websites. Source for classifications: League of Nebraska Municipalities.

<sup>2</sup> Cities of the second class and villages have the option of retaining their form of government when their population exceeds or falls below 800 residents.

**Second Class Cities (Cont'd.)**

Central City	Gordon	Minatare	Sargent
Chappell	Gothenburg	Minden	Scribner
Clarkson	Grant	Mitchell	Springfield
Clay Center	Gretna	Neligh	Stanton
Cozad	Hartington	Nelson	Stromsburg
Crawford	Harvard	Newman Grove	Superior
Creighton	Hay Springs	North Bend	Sutton
Crofton	Hebron	Oakland	Syracuse
Curtis	Henderson	O'Neill	Tecumseh
Dakota City	Hickman	Ord	Tekamah
David City	Hooper	Osceola	Terrytown
Deshler	Humboldt	Oshkosh	Tilden
Edgar	Humphrey	Osmond	Valentine
Elgin	Imperial	Pawnee City	Valley
Fairbury	Indianola	Peru	Wahoo
Fairfield	Kenesaw	Pierce	Wakefield
Falls City	Kimball	Plainview	Waverly
Fort Calhoun	Laurel	Ponca	Weeping Water
Franklin	Long Pine	Randolph	West Point
Friend	Louisville	Ravenna	Wilber
Fullerton	Loup City	Red Cloud	Wisner
Geneva	Lyons	Rushville	Wood River
Genoa	Madison	St. Edward	Wymore
Gibbon	Milford	St. Paul	Yutan

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Nebraska City and Village Populations, 2000-2013\*

Incorporated Village/City	2013	2010	2000	Incorporated Village/City	2013	2010	2000
Abie.....	68	69	108	Beaver City.....	594	609	641
Adams.....	586	573	489	Beaver Crossing.....	401	403	457
Answoorth.....	1,609	1,728	1,862	Bee.....	190	191	223
Albion.....	1,611	1,650	1,797	Benett.....	666	678	773
Alda.....	647	642	652	Belden.....	114	115	131
Alexandria.....	176	177	216	Belgrade.....	120	126	134
Allen.....	362	377	411	Bellvue.....	53,663	50,137	44,382
Alliance.....	8,491	8,491	8,959	Bellwood.....	424	435	446
Alma.....	1,165	1,133	1,214	Belvidere.....	48	48	98
Alvo.....	132	142	142	Benedict.....	237	234	278
Amherst.....	247	248	277	Benkelman.....	931	953	1,006
Anoka.....	6	6	10	Bennet.....	814	719	570
Anselmo.....	144	145	159	Bennington.....	1,480	1,458	937
Ansley.....	432	441	520	Bertrand.....	738	750	786
Arapahoe.....	1,010	1,026	1,028	Berwyn.....	82	83	134
Arcadia.....	306	311	359	Big Springs.....	400	400	418
Arlington.....	1,243	1,243	1,197	Bladen.....	228	237	291
Arnold.....	587	597	630	Blair.....	7,990	7,990	7,512
Arthur.....	118	117	145	Bloomfield.....	999	1,028	1,126
Ashland.....	2,513	2,453	2,262	Bloomington.....	100	103	124
Ashton.....	192	194	237	Blue Hill.....	915	936	867
Atkinson.....	1,258	1,245	1,244	Blue Springs.....	320	331	383
Atlanta.....	131	131	130	Boys Town.....	648	745	818
Auburn.....	3,385	3,460	3,350	Bradshaw.....	274	273	336
Aurora.....	4,465	4,479	4,465	Brady.....	424	428	366
Avoca.....	242	242	270	Brainard.....	527	530	351
Axtell.....	730	726	696	Brewster.....	17	17	29
Ayr.....	96	94	98	Bridgeport.....	1,522	1,545	1,594
Bancroft.....	484	495	520	Bristow.....	64	65	88
Barada.....	23	24	28	Broadwater.....	126	128	140
Barneston.....	114	116	122	Brock.....	110	112	162
Bartlett.....	111	117	128	Broken Bow.....	3,491	3,559	3,491
Bartley.....	276	283	355	Brownville.....	129	132	146
Bassett.....	570	619	743	Brule.....	316	326	372
Battle Creek.....	1,206	1,207	1,158	Bruning.....	278	279	300
Bayard.....	1,171	1,209	1,247	Bruno.....	98	99	112
Bozile Mills.....	28	29	26	Brunswick.....	134	138	179
Bretree.....	12,157	12,459	12,496	Burchard.....	80	82	103

\* Source: Bureau of the Census, U.S. Department of Commerce; *The Nebraska Databook*, Nebraska Department of Economic Development.

# Nebraska City and Village Populations, 2000-2013 (Cont'd.)

Incorporated Village/City	2013	2010	2000	Incorporated Village/City	2013	2010	2000
Burr .....	57	57	66	Cotesfield.....	46	46	66
Burton.....	10	10	11	Cowles.....	29	30	48
Burwell.....	1,213	1,210	1,130	Cozad.....	3,934	3,977	4,163
Bushnell.....	118	124	162	Crab Orchard.....	38	38	49
Butte.....	314	326	366	Craig.....	191	199	241
Byron.....	83	83	144	Crawford.....	985	997	1,107
Cairo.....	801	785	790	Creighton.....	1,154	1,270	1,270
Callaway.....	531	539	637	Creston.....	203	203	215
Cambridge.....	1,047	1,063	1,041	Crete.....	7,135	7,26	6,028
Cambell.....	314	347	387	Crookston.....	70	69	98
Carlisle.....	90	91	136	Crookston.....	589	595	594
Carroll.....	227	229	238	Curtis.....	922	939	832
Cedar Bluffs.....	601	610	615	Cushing.....	32	32	31
Cedar Creek.....	394	390	396	Dakota City.....	1,907	1,919	1,821
Cedar Rapids.....	375	382	407	Dalton.....	517	515	352
Center.....	93	94	90	Danbury.....	101	101	127
Central City.....	2,921	2,934	2,998	Dannebrog.....	306	303	352
Ceresco.....	907	889	920	Davenport.....	293	294	339
Chadron.....	5,787	5,851	5,634	Dayey.....	157	154	153
Chambers.....	265	268	333	David City.....	2,900	2,906	2,597
Chapman.....	284	287	341	Dawson.....	143	146	209
Chappell.....	926	929	983	Daykin.....	169	166	177
Chester.....	231	232	294	Decatur.....	462	481	618
Clarks.....	358	369	361	Denton.....	194	190	189
Clarkson.....	626	658	685	Deshler.....	747	747	879
Clatonia.....	222	231	275	Deweese.....	66	67	80
Clay Center.....	743	760	861	DeWitt.....	512	513	572
Clearwater.....	401	419	384	Diller.....	262	260	287
Clinton.....	40	41	30	Dix.....	244	255	267
Cody.....	156	154	149	Dixon.....	85	87	108
Coleridge.....	466	473	541	Dodge.....	608	612	700
Colon.....	110	110	138	Doniphan.....	843	823	763
Columbus.....	22,533	22,111	20,971	Dorchester.....	585	586	615
Comstock.....	92	93	110	Douglas.....	173	173	231
Concord.....	162	166	160	DuBois.....	145	147	166
Cook.....	315	321	322	Dunbar.....	187	187	237
Cordova.....	138	137	127	Durcan.....	365	351	359
Cornelia.....	36	36	41	Dunning.....	105	103	109
Cortland.....	472	482	488				

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Incorporated Village/City	2013	2010	2000	Incorporated Village/City	2013	2010	2000
Dwight.....	202	204	259	Geneva.....	2,152	2,217	2,226
Eagle.....	1,030	1,024	1,105	Genoa.....	981	1,003	981
Eddyville.....	97	97	96	Gering.....	8,500	8,500	7,751
Edgar.....	489	498	539	Gibbon.....	1,833	1,833	1,759
Edison.....	131	133	154	Gilead.....	39	39	40
Elba.....	215	215	243	Giltner.....	343	352	389
Elgin.....	639	661	735	Glenvil.....	302	310	332
Elk Creek.....	97	98	112	Goehner.....	155	466	186
Elm Creek.....	934	901	894	Gordon.....	1,612	1,612	1,759
Elmwood.....	635	634	668	Gothenburg.....	3,558	3,574	3,619
Elsie.....	105	106	139	Grafton.....	122	154	152
Elwood.....	685	707	761	Grand Island.....	50,550	48,520	42,940
Elyra.....	50	51	54	Grant.....	1,137	1,165	1,225
Emerson.....	827	840	817	Greeley.....	456	466	531
Emmet.....	48	48	77	Greenwood.....	566	568	544
Endicott.....	133	132	139	Gresham.....	224	223	270
Ericson.....	88	92	104	Grema.....	5,584	4,441	2,355
Eustis.....	391	401	464	Gross.....	2	2	5
Ewing.....	387	387	433	Guide Rock.....	216	225	245
Exeter.....	570	591	712	Curley.....	217	214	228
Fairbury.....	3,927	3,942	4,262	Hadar.....	294	293	312
Fairfield.....	376	387	467	Hagler.....	161	158	211
Fairmont.....	540	560	691	Hallam.....	218	213	276
Falls City.....	4,216	4,325	4,671	Halsey.....	80	76	59
Farnam.....	170	171	223	Hamler.....	58	57	54
Farwell.....	122	122	148	Hampton.....	424	423	439
Farwell.....	130	132	174	Harbine.....	49	49	56
Fillet.....	579	590	564	Hardy.....	157	159	179
Firth.....	138	139	182	Harrison.....	247	251	279
Fordyce.....	913	908	856	Hartington.....	1,528	1,554	1,640
Fort Calhoun.....	50	51	63	Harvard.....	985	1,013	998
Foster.....	50	50	1,026	Hastings.....	25,093	24,907	24,064
Franklin.....	955	1,000	1,174	Hay Springs.....	213	570	652
Franklin.....	26,340	26,397	25,174	Hayes Center.....	549	214	240
Friend.....	1,023	1,027	1,174	Hazard.....	69	70	66
Friend.....	1,259	1,307	1,378	Heartwell.....	71	80	71
Fullerton.....	194	194	204	Hebron.....	1,561	1,579	1,565
Funk.....	32	32	30	Hemingford.....	800	803	993
Gandy.....	52	54	67				
Gardland.....	211	216	247				
Gardland.....	54	54	67				

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Incorporated Village/City	2013	2010	2000	Incorporated Village/City	2013	2010	2000
Henderson.....	998	991	986	Laurel.....	957	964	986
Hendley.....	24	24	38	La Vista.....	17,562	15,758	11,699
Henry.....	106	106	162	Lawrence.....	300	304	312
Herman.....	263	268	310	Lebanon.....	80	80	70
Hershey.....	664	665	572	Leigh.....	400	405	442
Hickman.....	1,840	1,657	1,084	Leshara.....	112	112	111
Hildreth.....	361	378	370	Lewellen.....	210	224	282
Holbrook.....	201	207	225	Lewiston.....	66	68	86
Holdrege.....	5,527	5,495	5,636	Lexington.....	10,204	10,230	10,011
Holstein.....	225	214	229	Liberty.....	75	76	86
Homer.....	554	549	590	Lincoln.....	2,687,788	2,587,379	2,255,581
Hooper.....	819	830	827	Lindsay.....	255	255	276
Horville.....	144	144	150	Linwood.....	87	88	118
Hoskins.....	291	285	283	Litchfield.....	259	262	280
Howard City.....	189	189	221	Lodgepole.....	319	318	348
Howells.....	552	561	632	Long Pine.....	287	305	341
Hubbard.....	239	236	234	Loomis.....	377	382	397
Hubbell.....	68	68	73	Lorton.....	41	41	39
Humboldt.....	849	877	941	Louisville.....	1,125	1,106	1,046
Humphrey.....	783	760	786	Loup City.....	1,020	1,029	906
Huntley.....	45	44	67	Lushion.....	30	30	33
Hyannis.....	185	182	287	Lyman.....	356	341	421
Imperial.....	2,091	2,071	1,982	Lynch.....	236	245	269
Indianola.....	575	584	642	Lyonis.....	814	851	963
Inglewood.....	316	325	382	Madison.....	2,598	2,438	2,367
Inman.....	130	129	148	Madrid.....	227	231	265
Ithaca.....	148	148	168	Magnet.....	56	57	79
Jackson.....	220	223	205	Malcolm.....	395	382	413
Jansen.....	119	118	143	Malmö.....	120	120	109
Johnson.....	325	328	280	Manley.....	164	178	191
Johnstown.....	60	64	53	Marquette.....	228	229	282
Julian.....	58	59	63	Martinsburg.....	92	94	103
Juniata.....	803	755	693	Maskell.....	74	76	67
Kearney.....	32,174	30,787	27,431	Mason City.....	169	171	178
Kenesaw.....	923	880	873	Maxwell.....	308	312	315
Kennard.....	359	361	371	Maywood.....	251	261	331
Kilgore.....	78	77	99	McCook.....	7,697	7,698	7,994
Kimball.....	2,425	2,496	2,559	McCool Junction.....	413	409	385
Lamar.....	24	23	19	McGrew.....	105	105	103

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Incorporated Village/City	2013	2010	2000	Incorporated Village/City	2013	2010	2000
McLean.....	36	36	38	North Platte.....	24,534	24,733	23,878
Mead.....	562	569	564	Oak.....	65	66	60
Meadow Grove.....	298	301	311	Oakdale.....	306	322	345
Melbeta.....	113	112	138	Oakland.....	1,202	1,244	1,367
Memphis.....	116	114	106	Obert.....	23	23	49
Merna.....	360	363	391	Oconto.....	150	151	141
Merriman.....	130	128	118	Ocaviva.....	126	127	145
Milford.....	2,191	2,090	2,070	Odell.....	302	307	345
Miller.....	139	136	156	Ogallala.....	4,737	4,930	4,930
Milligan.....	273	285	315	Ohrowa.....	112	115	142
Milligan.....	808	816	810	Omaha.....	434,353	408,958	390,007
Minatare.....	2,986	2,923	2,964	O'Neill.....	3,700	3,705	3,733
Minden.....	1,685	1,702	1,831	Ong.....	62	63	67
Michelle.....	1	1	2	Orchard.....	362	379	391
Monowi.....	1	1	2	Ord.....	2,078	2,112	2,269
Monroe.....	281	284	307	Orleans.....	394	386	425
Moorefield.....	32	32	52	Oscola.....	861	880	921
Morrill.....	925	921	957	Oshkosh.....	820	884	887
Morse Bluff.....	135	135	134	Osmond.....	766	783	796
Mullen.....	509	509	491	Otoe.....	171	171	217
Murdock.....	236	236	269	Overton.....	588	594	646
Murray.....	464	463	481	Oxford.....	766	779	876
Naper.....	82	84	105	Page.....	167	166	157
Naponee.....	103	106	132	Pallasde.....	348	351	386
Nebraska City.....	7,255	7,289	7,228	Palmer.....	469	472	472
Nehawka.....	202	204	232	Palmyra.....	548	545	546
Nehawka.....	1,542	1,599	1,651	Panama.....	277	256	253
Neigh.....	477	488	587	Papillion.....	21,921	18,894	16,363
Nelson.....	142	149	178	Pawnee City.....	852	878	1,033
Nemaha.....	142	20	13	Paxton.....	509	523	614
Nenzel.....	20	325	299	Pender.....	999	1,002	1,148
Newcastle.....	320	721	797	Peru.....	826	865	569
Newman Grove.....	726	97	98	Petersburg.....	327	333	374
Newport.....	91	369	431	Phillips.....	286	287	336
Nickerson.....	358	370	379	Pickrell.....	196	199	182
Niobrara.....	357	21	20	Pierce.....	1,741	1,767	1,774
Nora.....	21	24,210	23,516	Pilger.....	347	352	378
Norfolk.....	24,523	43	49	Plainview.....	1,217	1,246	1,353
Norman.....	43	1,177	1,213	Platte Center.....	338	336	359
Norman Bend.....	1,202	297	339				
North Bend.....	1,202						
North Loup.....	292						

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Incorporated Village/City	Incorporated Village/City			
	2013	2010	2000	
Plattsmouth.....	6,467	6,502	6,887	
Pleasant Dale.....	212	205	245	6,211
Pleasanton.....	342	341	360	318
Plymouth.....	406	409	477	15,039
Polk.....	311	322	322	857
Ponca.....	946	961	1,062	33
Potter.....	337	337	390	6,964
Prague.....	298	303	346	714
Preston.....	27	28	50	1,059
Primrose.....	60	61	69	341
Prosser.....	69	66	94	21
Ragan.....	39	38	46	150
Ralston.....	7,220	5,943	6,314	6,757
Randolph.....	925	944	955	362
Ravenna.....	1,378	1,360	1,341	54
Raymond.....	180	167	186	300
Red Cloud.....	978	1,020	1,131	86
Republican City.....	156	150	209	13,353
Reynolds.....	70	69	88	487
Richland.....	72	73	89	455
Rising City.....	371	374	386	142
Riverdale.....	186	182	213	146
Kverton.....	86	89	145	1,529
Roca.....	246	220	220	242
Rockville.....	105	106	111	185
Rogers.....	94	95	95	202
Rosalie.....	160	160	194	1,577
Roseland.....	248	235	242	1,627
Royal.....	61	63	75	270
Rulo.....	164	172	226	301
Rushville.....	856	890	999	61
Ruskin.....	122	123	195	74
St. Edward.....	695	705	796	75
St. Helena.....	95	96	86	152
St. Paul.....	2,322	2,290	2,218	476
Salem.....	109	112	138	220
Santee.....	348	346	302	507
Sargent.....	515	525	649	60
Saronville.....	47	47	61	25
				36
				29
				32
				343
				396
				1,171
				1,232
				590
				625
				237
				2,055
				43
				44

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Incorporated Village/City	2013	2010	2000	Incorporated Village/City	2013	2010	2000
Sutherland.....	1,356	1,286	1,129	Walthill.....	769	780	909
Sutton.....	1,460	1,502	1,447	Washington.....	150	150	126
Swanton.....	95	94	106	Waterbury.....	71	73	89
Syracuse.....	1,949	1,942	1,762	Waterloo.....	866	848	459
Table Rock.....	258	269	264	Waucoma.....	583	577	625
Talmage.....	233	233	268	Wausa.....	606	634	636
Tarnov.....	46	46	63	Waverly.....	3,634	3,277	2,448
Taylor.....	174	190	207	Wayne.....	5,343	5,660	5,583
Tecumseh.....	1,644	1,677	1,716	Weeping Water.....	1,052	1,050	1,103
Tekamah.....	1,739	1,736	1,892	Wellfleet.....	78	78	76
Terrytown.....	1,187	1,198	646	West Point.....	3,310	3,364	3,660
Thayer.....	63	62	71	Western.....	237	235	287
Theadford.....	204	188	211	Weston.....	324	324	310
Thurston.....	132	132	125	Whitney.....	77	77	87
Tilden.....	951	953	1,078	Wilber.....	1,871	1,855	1,761
Tobias.....	107	106	158	Wilcox.....	354	358	360
Trenton.....	557	560	507	Wilksville.....	92	93	118
Trumbull.....	201	205	212	Winnebago.....	762	774	768
Uehling.....	223	230	275	Winnetoon.....	66	68	70
Ulysses.....	165	171	276	Winside.....	416	427	468
Unadilla.....	314	311	342	Winslow.....	106	103	104
Union.....	233	233	260	Wisner.....	1,159	1,170	1,270
Upland.....	139	143	179	Wolbach.....	270	283	287
Utica.....	857	861	844	Wood Lake.....	64	63	72
Valentine.....	2,789	2,737	2,820	Wood River.....	1,361	1,325	1,204
Valley.....	2,003	1,875	1,788	Wymore.....	1,430	1,457	1,656
Valparaiso.....	562	570	563	Wymore.....	168	166	191
Venango.....	166	164	175	York.....	7,961	7,766	8,081
Verdel.....	30	30	58	Yutan.....	1,190	1,174	1,216
Verdigris.....	561	575	519				
Verdon.....	165	172	223				
Virginia.....	59	60	67				
Waco.....	241	236	256				
Wahoo.....	4,512	4,508	3,942				
Wakefield.....	1,416	1,451	1,411				
Wallace.....	357	366	329				

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City/Village	County	Address	Phone	Website
Abie	Butler	Abie, NE 68001	(402) 543-2363	
Adams	Cage	P.O. Box 41, 510 Main St., 68301-0041	(402) 988-2269	www.aainsworthlinks.com
Ainsworth	Boone	P.O. Box 165, 606 East Fourth, 69210-0165	(402) 387-2494	www.cityofalbron-nc.com
Albion	Albion	420 W. Market St., 68620-1299	(402) 395-2428	www.ci.albion-nc.com
Alda	Hall	P.O. Box 100, 68810	(308) 385-5575	www.ci.alda.ne.us
Alexandria	Thayer	Box 65, 68303-0065	(402) 300-0955	
Allen	Dixon	P.O. Box 99, 100 E. Second St., 68710-0099	(402) 635-2444	www.ci.allen.ne.us
Allamore	Box Butte	P.O. Box D, 324 Lammie Ave., 69301-0770	(308) 762-5400	www.cityofallamore.net
Alma	Harlan	614 Main St., Box 468, 68920-0468	(308) 928-2242	www.alma-city.com
Alvo	Cass	P.O. Box 408, Eagle, NE 68347-0408	(402) 781-9201	
Amherst	Buffalo	P.O. Box 97, 68812	(308) 826-3441	
Arnoka	Boyd	90516 Third St., Butte, NE 68722-3044	(402) 775-2237	
Anselmo	Custer	P.O. Box 68, 201 N. Chalmers St., 68813-0068	(308) 749-2227	
Anselmo	Custer	P.O. Box 307, 217 Nile St., 68814-0307	(308) 935-1467	
Arapahoe	Furnas	P.O. Box 235, 411 Sixth St., 68922-0235	(308) 962-5405	www.arapahoe-nc.com
Arcadia	Valley	Box 95, 110 W. Bridge St., 68815-0095	(308) 789-6552	www.arcadiane.com
Adlington	Washington	P.O. Box 370, 245 N. Second St., 68002-0370	(402) 478-4212	www.wardingtonne.org
Arnold	Custer	P.O. Box 70, 209 W. First, 69120-0070	(308) 848-2228	www.arnoldne.org
Arthur	Arthur	Box 232, 69121	(308) 764-2504	
Ashland	Saunders	2304 Silver St., 68003-1535	(402) 944-3387	www.ashland-nc.com
Ashton	Sherman	P.O. Box 170, 320 Center Ave., 68817-0170	(308) 738-2369	
Atkinson	Fholt	P.O. Box 519, 104 South Main, 68713-0519	(402) 925-5313	www.atkinsonne.com
Atlania	Phelps	1241 W. Ave., 68923	(308) 440-4620	
Auburn	Nemaha	1101 J St., 68305-1532	(402) 274-3420	www.auburn.ne.gov
Aurora	Hamilton	905 13th St., 68818-2409	(402) 694-6992	www.cityofaurora.org
Avoca	Cass	P.O. Box 694, 68307-0694	(402) 275-3757	
Axtell	Kearney	P.O. Box 307, 419 Main, 68924-0307	(308) 743-2437	www.axtellne.com
Ayr	Adams	Box 32, 68925-0032	(402) 463-8666	
Bancroft	Cuming	Box 267, 68004-0267	(402) 648-3332	www.bancroftnebraska.org
Banada	Richardson	RR 2, Box 183, Falls City, NE 68355	(402) 883-2142	
Barnston	Gage	P.O. Box 14, Wymore, NE 68466	(402) 674-3350	
Barrett	Wheeler	P.O. Box 103, 68622-0103	(308) 654-3202	
Bartley	Red Willow	P.O. Box 99, 69020-0099	(308) 692-3222	
Bassett	Rock	P.O. Box 383, 106 W. Legnard, 68714-0383	(402) 684-3338	www.bassettnebr.com
Battle Creek	Madison	P.O. Box 280, 102 S. Second St., 68715-0280	(402) 675-2165	
Bayard	Morrill	P.O. Box 160, 445 Main St., 69334-0160	(308) 586-1121	www.cityofbayard.net
Bazile Mills	Knox	201 Bazile Washington St., Creighton, NE 68729		

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Beatrice	.....	400 Ella St., 68310-3856	(402) 228-5200	..... www.beatrice-ne.gov
Beaver City	.....	P.O. Box 185, 301 Tenth St., 68926-0185	(308) 268-2145	.....
Beaver Crossing	.....	P.O. Box 116, 800 Dimery St., 68313-0116	(402) 532-3925	..... www.beavercrossingne.com
Bee	.....	P.O. Box 27, 68314-0027	(402) 643-0247	.....
Becmer	.....	Box 78, 68716-0078	(402) 528-3253	.....
Belden	.....	P.O. Box 37, 68717-0037	(402) 337-1277	.....
Belgrade	.....	P.O. Box 68, 68623	(308) 357-1034	.....
Bellevue	.....	210 W. Mission Ave., 68005-5237	(402) 293-3000	..... www.bellevue.net
Bellwood	.....	P.O. Box 188, 68624-0188	(402) 538-4026	..... www.bellwoodnebraska.com
Belvidere	.....	Box 387, 68315	(402) 768-6845	.....
Benedict	.....	P.O. Box 116, 206 Sherman St., 68316-0116	(402) 732-6801	.....
Benkelman	.....	P.O. Box 347, 126 Seventh Ave. E., 69021-0347	(308) 423-2540	..... www.bestofneb.com
Bennett	.....	P.O. Box 255, 685 Monroe St., 68317-0255	(402) 782-5300	.....
Bertrand	.....	P.O. Box 221, 15514 Warehouse St., 68007-0221	(402) 238-2375	..... www.cityofbernington.wordpress.com
Bertrand	.....	P.O. Box 295, 507 Minor St., 68927-0295	(308) 472-3455	.....
Berwyn	.....	403 Chatham Ave., 68814	(308) 935-1569	.....
Big Springs	.....	P.O. Box 132, 69122-0132	(308) 889-3324	..... www.ci.big-springs.ne.us
Bladen	.....	P.O. Box 37, 211 N. Main St., 68928-0037	(402) 756-1369	.....
Blair	.....	218 S. 16th St., 68008-1674	(402) 426-4191	..... www.blairnebraska.org
Bloomfield	.....	P.O. Box 157, 101 S. Broadway, 68718-0157	(402) 373-4396	..... www.ci.bloomfield.ne.us
Bloomington	.....	P.O. Box 187, 345 Sixth St., 68929-0187	(308) 775-2185	.....
Blue Hill	.....	P.O. Box 277, 517 W. Gage, 68930-0277	(402) 756-2056	..... www.bluehillne.com
Blue Springs	.....	P.O. Box 25, 104 E. Broad St., 68318-0025	(402) 645-5539	..... www.bluespringsne.com
Boelus	.....	Box 207, 404 Delaware, 68820	(308) 996-4250	..... www.boelus.com
Boys Town	.....	14100 Crawford St., 68010-7520	(402) 498-1882	..... www.boysstown.org
Bradshaw	.....	P.O. Box 147, 455 Lincoln St., 68319-0147	(402) 736-6634	.....
Brady	.....	Box 153, 121 N. Main, 69123-0153	(308) 584-3316	..... www.villageofbrady.org
Brainard	.....	P.O. Box 71, 111 E. Washington St., 68626-0071	(402) 545-2701	.....
Brewster	.....	440 Lincoln Ave., 68821	(308) 547-2249	.....
Bridgeport	.....	Box 280, 809 Main, 69336-0280	(308) 262-1623	..... www.cityofbport.com
Bristow	.....	403 Division St., 68719-3514	(402) 583-0046	.....
Broadwater	.....	P.O. Box 70, 251 N. Starr St., 69125-0070	(308) 489-5671	.....
Brook	.....	705 Main St., 68320-6029	(402) 856-3455	.....
Broken Bow	.....	P.O. Box 504, 68882	(308) 872-5831	.....
Brownville	.....	P.O. Box 67, 68321	(402) 825-4551	.....
Brule	.....	P.O. Box 100, 619 E. Second St., 69127-0100	(308) 287-2596	.....
Bruning	.....	P.O. Box 27, 601 Main, 68322-0027	(402) 759-4051	.....
Bruno	.....	Bruno, NE 68014-2031	(402) 543-2234	.....
Brunswick	.....	Box 401, 68720	(605) 484-4661	.....

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Burchard	.....Pawnee	.....P.O. Box 245, 68323-0245	(402) 865-4325	.....
Burr	.....Otoe	.....Box 87, 68324	(402) 848-2397	.....
Burton	.....Keya Paha	.....P.O. Box 331, Springsview, NE 68778-0331	(402) 497-2724	.....
Burwell	.....Carrifield	.....P.O. Box 604, 404 Grand Ave., 68823-0604	(308) 346-4509	.....
Bushnell	.....Kimball	.....P.O. Box 67, 120 Elm St., 69128-0067	(308) 673-5271	.....www.bushnellnebraska.com
Butte	.....Boyd	.....P.O. Box 286, 520 Thayer St., 68722-0286	(402) 775-2426	.....www.buttennebraska.com
Byron	.....Thayer	.....P.O. Box 53, 68325	(402) 236-8761	.....
Cairo	.....Hall	.....P.O. Box 456, 402 High St., 68824-0456	(308) 485-4400	.....www.cairocommunity.com
Callaway	.....Custer	.....P.O. Box 157, 157 E. Kimball St., 68825-0157	(308) 836-2262	.....
Cambridge	.....Furnas	.....P.O. Box Q, 722 Patterson St., 69022-0532	(308) 697-3711	.....www.cambridgenet.org
Campbell	.....Franklin	.....Box 215, 68932-0215	(402) 756-8121	.....www.campbellnc.com
Carleton	.....Thayer	.....P.O. Box 168, 68326-0168	(402) 356-2711	.....
Carrroll	.....Wayne	.....P.O. Box 66, 68723-0066	(402) 585-4410	.....
Cedar Bluffs	.....Saunders	.....P.O. Box 249, 101 S. First St., 68015-0249	(402) 628-3115	.....
Cedar Creek	.....Cass	.....P.O. Box 71, 200 E. B St., 68016-0071	(402) 234-7856	.....www.cedarcreknebraska.com
Cedar Rapids	.....Boone	.....P.O. Box 347, 425 W. Main St., 68027-0347	(308) 358-0240	.....www.cedarrapidsne.com
Centr	.....Knox	.....P.O. Box 86, 68724-0086	(402) 288-4240	.....
Central City	.....Merrick	.....1515 17th St., P.O. Box 418, 68826-0418	(308) 946-3806	.....www.cc-nc.com
Ceresco	.....Saunders	.....P.O. Box 160, 217 S. Second St., 68017-0160	(402) 665-2391	.....
Chadron	.....Dawes	.....P.O. Box 390, 234 Main, 69337-0390	(308) 432-0505	.....www.chadron-nebraska.com
Chambers	.....Holt	.....P.O. Box 143, 68725-0143	(402) 482-5939	.....
Chapman	.....Merrick	.....P.O. Box 141, 68827	(308) 986-2266	.....
Chappell	.....Deuel	.....P.O. Box 487, 757 Second St., 69129-0487	(308) 874-2401	.....www.chappellnc.org
Chester	.....Thayer	.....P.O. Box 335, 621 Thayer Ave., 68327-0335	(402) 324-5755	.....
Clarks	.....Merrick	.....P.O. Box 132, 209 N. Green St., 68628-0132	(308) 548-2412	.....
Clarkson	.....Collax	.....P.O. Box 18, 120 W. Second St., 68629-0018	(402) 892-3100	.....www.ci.clarkson.ne.us
Clatonia	.....Gage	.....P.O. Box 82, 68328-0082	(402) 989-4023	.....
Clay Center	.....Clay	.....P.O. Box 163, 68933-0163	(402) 762-3356	.....
Clearwater	.....Antelope	.....P.O. Box 116, 68726-0116	(402) 485-2365	.....www.clearwatertnc.com
Clinton	.....Sheridan	.....RR 1, Box 137, Gordon, NE 69343	(308) 360-1004	.....
Cody	.....Cherry	.....P.O. Box 118, 69211-0118	(402) 823-4082	.....www.villageofcody.com
Coleridge	.....Cedar	.....P.O. Box 276, 68727-0276	(402) 283-4464	.....www.coleridge-nc.us
Colon	.....Saunders	.....P.O. Box 10, 112 1/2 Spruce St., 68018-0010	(402) 443-6251	.....
Columbus	.....Platte	.....P.O. Box 1677, 2424 14th St., 68602-1677	(402) 562-4220	.....www.columbusnc.us
Comstock	.....Custer	.....P.O. Box 55, 115 E. Main St., 68828-0055	(308) 628-4124	.....www.comstock-nc.com
Concord	.....Dixon	.....P.O. Box 49, 68728-0049	(402) 584-2395	.....
Cook	.....Johnson	.....P.O. Box 225, 68329	(402) 864-2020	.....
Corolla	.....Seward	.....P.O. Box 42, 68330-0042	(402) 266-1151	.....
Cornelia	.....Platte	.....45376 Elm St., 68642-5138	(402) 923-1674	.....

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Gortland.....	Cage	Box 37, 68331.....	(402) 798-7395	
Cotesfield.....	Howard	408 Spruce St., 68835-2912.....	(308) 336-3326	
Covad.....	Webster	301 Fourth St., Blue Hill, NE 68930.....	(402) 469-1742	
Cowles.....	Dawson	P.O. Box 309, 69130-0309.....	(308) 784-5907	www.cozadinebraska.net
Crab Orchard.....	Johnson	Box 146, 68332.....	(402) 876-5540	
Craig.....	Burt	P.O. Box 85, 68019-0085.....	(402) 377-2144	
Crawford.....	Dawes	135 Elm St., 69339-1001.....	(308) 665-1462	www.crawfordnebraska.net
Crighton.....	Knox	P.O. Box 188, 809 Main St., 68729-0188.....	(402) 358-3557	www.crighton.org
Creston.....	Platte	Box 245, 350 Fourth St., 68631-0245.....	(402) 285-9005	
Crete.....	Saline	P.O. Box 86, 243 E. 13th St., 68333-0086.....	(888) 826-4313	www.crete-ne.gov
Crofton.....	Knox	P.O. Box 189, 1210 W. Second St., 68730-0189.....	(402) 388-4766	www.crofton-ne.com
Crookston.....	Cherry	P.O. Box 77, Main St. and Second, 69212-0077.....	(402) 425-3361	
Culbertson.....	Hitchcock	P.O. Box 426, 609 Wyoming St., 69024-0426.....	(308) 278-2123	
Curtis.....	Frontier	P.O. Box 6, 201 Garick Ave., 69025-0006.....	(308) 367-4122	www.curtis-ne.com
Cushing.....	Howard	405 Center Ave., St. Paul, NE 68873-3506.....	(308) 570-0134	
Dakota City.....	Dakota	Box 482, 1511 Broadway, 68731-0482.....	(402) 987-3448	www.dakotacity.net
Dalton.....	Cheyenne	P.O. Box 353, 69131-0353.....	(308) 377-2413	www.daltonnebraska.com
Danbury.....	Red Willow	P.O. Box 104, 69026-0104.....	(308) 895-2375	
Dannebrog.....	Howard	P.O. Box 130, 102 S. Mill, 68831-0130.....	(308) 226-2422	
Davenport.....	Thayer	P.O. Box 119, 108 N. Oak Ave., 68335-0119.....	(402) 364-2292	www.ci.davenport.ne.us
Davey.....	Lancaster	P.O. Box 1, 68336-0001.....	(402) 785-5351	
David City.....	Butler	P.O. Box 191, 557 Fourth St., 68632-0191.....	(402) 367-3135	www.davidcityne.com
Dawson.....	Richardson	P.O. Box 68, 820 Ridge St., 68337-0068.....	(402) 855-2055	
Daykin.....	Jefferson	P.O. Box 214, 68338-0214.....	(402) 446-7459	
Decatur.....	Burt	P.O. Box 156, 913 S. Broadway, 68020-0156.....	(402) 349-5360	www.ci.decatur.ne.us
Denton.....	Lancaster	P.O. Box 132, 7115 Lancaster Ave., 68339-0132.....	(402) 797-2020	www.dentonne.com
Desler.....	Thayer	P.O. Box 189, 305 Bryson St., 68340-0189.....	(402) 365-4260	www.deslernebraska.com
DeWesse.....	Clay	P.O. Box 98, 68934.....	(402) 762-5233	
DeWitt.....	Saline	P.O. Box 208, 406 E. Fillmore, 68341-0208.....	(402) 683-5025	www.dewittne.gov
Diller.....	Jefferson	P.O. Box 157, 68342-0157.....	(402) 793-5991	www.dillier-ne.com
Dix.....	Kimball	P.O. Box 23, 119 Myrtle St., 69133-0023.....	(308) 682-5279	
Dixon.....	Dixon	P.O. Box 64, 305 Second St., 68732-0064.....	(402) 584-2489	
Dodge.....	Dodge	226 Elm St., 68633-3023.....	(402) 693-2239	www.dodge.org
Doniphan.....	Hall	P.O. Box 189, 103 W. Pine St., 68832-0189.....	(402) 845-6609	www.doniphanne.com
Dorechester.....	Saline	P.O. Box 287, 701 Washington, 68343-0287.....	(402) 946-3201	
Douglas.....	Otoe	Box 67, 68344-0067.....	(402) 799-2029	
DuBois.....	Pawnee	P.O. Box 87, 308 Miner, 68345-0087.....	(402) 859-4406	
Dunbar.....	Otoe	105 E. Nebraska, 68346-3018.....	(402) 259-3375	
Duncan.....	Platte	P.O. Box 254, 68634-0254.....	(402) 897-5285	www.villageofduncan.com

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City/Village	County	Address	Phone	Website
Dunning.....	Blaine	P.O. Box 8, 68833-0008.....	(308) 538-2216	
Dwight.....	Butler	Box 153, 68635.....	(402) 566-4135	
Eagle.....	Cass	Box 130, 540 C St., 68347.....	(402) 781-2748	
Eddyville.....	Dawson	P.O. Box 64, 68834.....	(308) 858-4900	
Edger.....	Clay	P.O. Box 485, 508 Third St., 68935-0485.....	(402) 224-5145	www.ci.edgar.ne.us
Edson.....	Furnas	P.O. Box 152, 219 E. Third St., 68936-0152.....	(308) 927-2220	
Elba.....	Howard	P.O. Box 96, 68835-0096.....	(308) 863-2185	
Elgin.....	Antelope	Box 240, 104 Pine St., 68636-0240.....	(402) 843-5822	
Elk Creek.....	Elk	P.O. Box 95, 68348.....	(402) 877-2810	
Elm Creek.....	Buttalo	P.O. Box 130, 535 W. Boyd Ave., 68836-0130.....	(308) 856-4624	
Elmwood.....	Cass	P.O. Box 62, 113 W. E. St., 68349-0062.....	(402) 994-6705	www.elmwoodne.com
Elsie.....	Perkins	P.O. Box 103, 69134-0130.....	(308) 228-2500	
Elwood.....	Cosper	Box 14, 304 Calvert Ave., 68937-0014.....	(308) 785-2480	
Elyria.....	Valley	Elyria, NE 68837.....	(308) 728-3784	
Emerson.....	Dixon/Dakota/Thurston	511 N. Main St., 68733-3663.....	(402) 695-2662	
Emmet.....	Holt	303 Main St., 68734.....	(402) 336-4831	
Endicott.....	Jefferson	P.O. Box 31, 68350-0031.....	(402) 729-3186	
Erison.....	Erison, NE	68637.....	(308) 653-5441	
Eustis.....	Frontier	P.O. Box 249, 108 N. Morton, 69028-0249.....	(308) 486-3661	
Ewing.....	Holt	Box 333, 209 E. Nebraska, 68735-0333.....	(402) 626-7718	
Exeter.....	Fillmore	P.O. Box 96, 202 S. Exeter Ave., 68351-0096.....	(402) 266-3051	
Fairbury.....	Jefferson	P.O. Box 554, 612 D St., 68352-0554.....	(402) 729-2476	www.fairburyne.org
Fairfield.....	Clay	P.O. Box 307, 401 D St., 68938.....	(402) 726-2478	
Farmort.....	Fillmore	P.O. Box 156, 635 Sixth Ave., 68354-0156.....	(402) 268-3341	www.ci.fairmont.ne.us
Falls City.....	Richardson	1820 Towle St., 68355-0158.....	(402) 245-2851	www.falls-city-nebraska.org
Farnam.....	Dawson	P.O. Box 7, 315 Main St., 69029-0007.....	(308) 569-2355	
Farwell.....	Howard	Box 138, 68838.....	(308) 336-3251	
Felley.....	Gage	P.O. Box 85, 111 Livingston St., 68357-0085.....	(402) 662-4175	
Firth.....	Lancaster	P.O. Box 38, 311 Nemaha St., 68358-0038.....	(402) 791-5544	www.firth-nebraska.gov
Fordyce.....	Cedar	P.O. Box 104, 211 W. Second St., 68736-0104.....	(402) 357-3550	www.fordyce.com
Fort Calhoun.....	Washington	110 S. 14th St., 68023-0110.....	(402) 468-5303	www.fortcalhoun.org
Foster.....	Pierce	103 E. Second St., 68765.....	(308) 425-6295	www.franklinnebraska.com
Franklin.....	Franklin	619 15th Ave., 68939-1517.....	(402) 727-2633	www.franklinmonte.gov
Fremont.....	Dodge	400 E. Military, 68025-5141.....	(402) 947-2711	www.ci.friend.ne.us
Friend.....	Saline	235 Maple St., 68359-1351.....	(308) 536-2428	
Fullerton.....	Nance	P.O. Box 670, 903 Broadway St., 68638-0670.....	(308) 263-2002	
Funk.....	Phelps	P.O. Box 146, 68940-0146.....	(308) 636-2980	
Gandy.....	Logan	FCL Box 6, Stapleton, NE 69163-8903.....		

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Garland	.....	P.O. Box 105, 170 Fourth St., 68360-0105	(402) 588-2246	.....
Garrison	Butler	Garrison, NE 68632	(402) 367-4615	.....
Geneva	Fillmore	P.O. Box 409, 167 S. 10th St., 68361-0409	(402) 759-3109	www.ci.geneva.ne.us
Genoa	.....	Box 279, 107 Walnut St., 68640-0279	(402) 993-2330	www.ci.genoa.ne.us
Genoa	Nance	.....	(402) 436-5096	www.ci.genoa.ne.us
Gering	Scotts Bluff	1025 P St., P.O. Box 687, 69344-2826	(308) 468-6118	www.ci.gening.org
Gibbon	Buttalo	Box 130, 68840-0130	(402) 729-2740	www.cityofgibbon.org
Gibson	Thayer	P.O. Box 13, 68362-0013	(402) 849-2800	.....
Gilenet	Hamilton	Box 218, 4021 N. Commercial Ave., 68841-0218	(402) 771-2283	.....
Gilenet	Clay	Box 76, 201 Winters Ave., 68941-0076	(402) 523-5645	.....
Goehner	Seward	P.O. Box 113, 68364-0113	(308) 282-0837	www.ci.gordon.ne.us
Gordon	.....	P.O. Box 310, 311 N. Oak St., 69343-0310	(308) 537-3677	www.ci.grothenburg.ne.us
Gothenburg	Sheridan	409 Ninth St., 69138	(402) 282-7392	.....
Grafton	Dawson	P.O. Box 71, 260 N. Washington Ave., 68365-0071	(308) 385-5444	www.grand-island.com
Grand Island	Fillmore	P.O. Box 1968, 100 E. First St., 68802-1968	(308) 352-2100	www.grand-island.com
Grand Island	Hall	P.O. Box 1968, 100 E. First St., 68802-1968	(308) 428-4010	www.greelyne.com
Grant	Perkins	Box 614, 346 Central Ave., 69140-0614	(402) 789-2300	.....
Greeley	Greehey	P.O. Box 330, 68842-0330	(402) 735-7385	.....
Greenwood	Cass	P.O. Box 190, 619 Main St., 68366-0190	(402) 332-3336	www.gretnane.org
Gresham	York	P.O. Box 164, 510 Elm St., 68367-0164	.....	.....
Gretna	Stary	P.O. Box 69, 204 N. McKenna Ave., 68028-0069	(402) 257-3945	.....
Gross	Poyd	.....	(308) 884-2213	.....
Guide Rock	Webster	Bristow, NE 68719	(402) 992-1320	.....
Gurley	Cheyenne	P.O. Box 41, 120 W. Douglas, 68942-0041	(402) 787-0505	.....
Hadar	Pierre	P.O. Box 73, 69141-0073	(308) 533-2523	.....
Hadler	Dundy	P.O. Box 185, 68738-0185	(308) 285-3464	.....
Hallam	Lancaster	P.O. Box 29, 69030-0029	(402) 725-3186	.....
Halsey	Thomas/Blaine	P.O. Box 81, 315 Main St., 68368-0081	(402) 754-4213	.....
Hamlet	Haves	P.O. Box 9, 69142-0009	(402) 279-3325	.....
Hampton	Hamilton	480 Main St., 69040	(308) 668-2445	.....
Hampton	Jefferson	P.O. Box 277, 68843-0277	(402) 254-6353	www.ci.hartington.ne.us
Harcine	Nuckolls	315 Barry St-Harbine, Jansen, NE 68377-4025	(402) 772-7101	.....
Hardy	Stouck	P.O. Box 65, 404 Kaley St., 68943-0065	(308) 638-7275	www.cityofhastings.org
Harrison	Sioux	P.O. Box 5, 325 Main St., 69346	(308) 286-3411	.....
Hartington	Cedar	P.O. Box 427, 124 E. Main St., 68739-0427	(308) 452-3008	.....
Harvard	Clay	P.O. Box 542, 309 N. Clay Ave., 68944-0542	(308) 830-0192	.....
Hastings	Adams	P.O. Box 1085, 220 N. Hastings, 68902-1085	(402) 768-6322	.....
Hay Springs	Sheridan	P.O. Box B, 234 N. Main St., 69347-0534	.....	.....
Hayes Center	Hayes	P.O. Box 403, 405 Troth St., 69032-0403	.....	.....
Hazard	Sherman	301 Minden St., 68844-4438	.....	.....
Heartwell	Keatney	P.O. Box 67, 68945-0067	.....	.....
Hebron	Thayer	P.O. Box 29, 216 Lincoln Ave., 68370-0029	.....	.....

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Hemingford	Box Butte	P.O. Box 395, 700 Box Butte	(308) 487-3465	www.cti.hemingford.ne.us
Henderson	York	P.O. Box 189, 1044 N. Main, 68371-0189	(402) 723-5782	
Hendly	Scotts Bluff	P.O. Box 505, 68946-0505	(308) 265-7649	
Henry	Scotts Bluff	1565 Nichols Ave., 69358-4126	(308) 247-3428	
Herman	Washington	P.O. Box 196, 504 Main St., 68029-0196	(402) 456-5000	
Hershey	Lincoln	P.O. Box 353, 205 W. First, 69143-0353	(308) 368-5840	
Hickman	Lancaster	P.O. Box 127, 115 Locust, 68372-0127	(402) 792-2212	www.hickman.ne.gov
Hildreth	Franklin	P.O. Box 317, 68947	(308) 938-2471	www.villageofhildreth.com
Hilbrook	Furnas	418 Center St., P.O. Box 69, 68948-0069	(308) 493-5653	
Holbrook	Phelps	P.O. Box 436, 502 East Ave., 68949-0436	(308) 995-8681	www.cityofholbrooke.org
Holdrege	Adams	Box 236, 68950-0236	(402) 756-5165	
Holstein	Dakota	Box 386, 110 John St., 68030-0386	(402) 698-2155	
Hooper	Dodge	P.O. Box C, 203 N. Main St., 68031-0597	(402) 654-3649	
Hordville	Hamilton	P.O. Box 16, 68846-0016	(402) 757-3203	
Hoskins	Wayne	P.O. Box 44, 68740-0044	(402) 565-4479	
Howells	Collfax	P.O. Box 351, 128 N. Third St., 68641-0351	(402) 986-1666	www.cti.howells.ne.us
Hubbard	Dakota	P.O. Box 91, 68741-0091	(402) 632-4305	
Hubbell	Thayer	P.O. Box 42, 68375-0042	(402) 324-4182	
Humboldt	Richardson	P.O. Box 156, 350 E. Square, 68376	(402) 862-2171	
Humphrey	Platte	Box 486, 403 Main St., 68642-0486	(402) 923-0224	
Huntley	Harlan	1442 Lock Road, 68971		
Hyaniss	Grant	Hyaniss, NE 69350		
Imperial	Chase	P.O. Box 637, 740 Court St., 69033-0637	(308) 458-2753	www.imperial-ne.com
Indianola	Red Willow	P.O. Drawer F, 210 N. Fourth St., 69034-0465	(308) 882-4368	
Inglwood	Dodge	140 Boulevard, Fremont, NE 68025-9342	(308) 364-2413	
Inman	Holt	P.O. Box 116, 68742-0116	(402) 753-0442	
Ithaca	Saunders	P.O. Box 123, 68033-0123	(402) 394-5850	
Jackson	Dakota	Box 13, 113 S. Catherine, 68743		
Jansen	Jefferson	P.O. Box 82, 68377-0082	(402) 424-2246	
Johnson	Nemaha	P.O. Box 58, 224 Main St., 68378-0058	(402) 868-5305	
Johnstown	Brown	P.O. Box 24, 69214-0024	(402) 722-4346	
Julian	Nemaha	104 West St., 68379	(402) 868-5555	
Junata	Adams	P.O. Box 26, 911 N. Junata Ave., 68955-0026	(402) 751-2687	www.junatavillage.com
Kearney	Bufile	P.O. Box 1180, 18 E. 22nd St., 68848-1180	(308) 233-3215	www.cityofkearney.org
Kennett	Adams	P.O. Box 350, 109 N. Smith, Suite A, 68956-0350	(402) 752-3222	www.kennesaw.org
Kennard	Washington	P.O. Box 151, 208 Main, 68034-0151	(402) 427-7311	
Kilgore	Cherry	Box 135, 69216-0135	(402) 966-2491	
Kimball	Kimball	223 S. Chestnut St., 69145-1219	(308) 235-3639	www.kimballinc.org
Lamar	Chase	RR 1, Box 121, 69023		

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City/Village	County	Address	Phone	Website
Laurel		101 W. Second, 68745-0248	(402) 256-3112	www.laurelnc.com
La Vista		8116 Park View Blvd., 68128-2198	(402) 331-4343	www.cityoflavista.org
Lawrence		P.O. Box 363, 250 S. Calvert, 68957-0363	(402) 756-7472	
Lebanon		200 S. Center Ave., 69056	(308) 375-4288	
Leigh		P.O. Box 277, 109 Short St., 68643-0277	(402) 487-3303	www.cityofleigh.com
Leshara		210 Summit St., 68064-1533		
Lexington		P.O. Box 275, 69147-0275	(308) 778-5421	
Lewiston		P.O. Box 100, 68380-0100	(402) 865-6185	
Lexington		P.O. Box 70, 406 E. Seventh St., 68850-0070	(308) 324-2341	www.cityoflex.com
Liberty		P.O. Box 247, 68381	(402) 696-4351	
Lincoln		555 S. 10th St., 68508-3993	(402) 441-7171	www.lincolnnc.gov
Lindsay		P.O. Box 66, 121 Pine St., 68644-0066	(402) 428-4010	
Linwood		P.O. Box 104, 68056-0104	(402) 666-5536	
Litchfield		221 N. Main St., 68852-0166	(308) 446-2285	
Lodgepole		Box 266, 814 Sheldon, 69149-0266	(308) 483-5353	www.lodgepolenc.com
Long Pine		Box 398, 497 N. Main, 69217-0398	(402) 273-4120	
Loomis		P.O. Box 226, 301 Commercial St., 68958-0226	(308) 876-2334	
Lorton		3 Second St., 68346-3007	(402) 259-2530	
Louisville		Box 370, 210 Main St., 68037-0370	(402) 234-7705	www.louisvillenebraska.com
Loup City		P.O. Box 250, 134 S. Eighth, 68853-0250	(308) 745-0222	www.loupcity.org
Lushott		Lushott, 68371	(402) 710-0010	
Lyman		Box 301, 414 Jeffers Ave., 69352-0301	(308) 787-1444	
Lynch		P.O. Box 127, 68746-0127	(402) 583-9948	
Lyons		P.O. Box 598, 335 Main St., 68038-0598	(402) 687-2485	
Madison		P.O. Box 527, 211 S. Lincoln St., 68748-0527	(402) 454-3412	
Madrid		Box 171, 69150	(308) 326-4263	
Magnet		Box 86, 68749-0086	(402) 386-2652	
Malcolm		P.O. Box 228, 137 E. Second, 68402-0228	(402) 796-2250	
Malmö		P.O. Box 24, 122 Center Ave., 68040-0024	(402) 642-5658	
Manley		P.O. Box 97, 208 Locust St., 68403-0097	(402) 234-2225	www.manleync.com
Marquette		P.O. Box 154, 302 Marquis Ave., 68854-0154	(402) 854-2522	
Martinsburg		5203 First St., Ponca, NE 68770	(402) 685-2303	
Maskell		111 Main St., 68751-9703	(402) 692-1303	
Mason City		P.O. Box 46, 68855	(308) 732-3311	
Maxwell		P.O. Box 58, 108 S. Pine St., 69151-0058	(308) 582-4324	
Maywood		P.O. Box 33, 69038-0033	(308) 362-4299	
McCook		P.O. Box 1059, 505 W. C St., 69001-1059	(308) 345-2022	www.cityofmccook.com
McCool Junction		P.O. Box 145, 523 E. M St., 68401-0145	(402) 724-2525	www.mccooljunction-nc.com
McGrew		P.O. Box 48, 262 E. Third, 69353	(308) 783-1720	

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McLean	Pierrce	310 Morrow, 68747	(402) 337-1116	
Mead	Saunders	P.O. Box 46, 312 S. Vine, 68041-0046	(402) 624-2495	www.meadnebraska.net
Meadow Grove	Madison	P.O. Box 258, 208 Main St., 68752-0258	(402) 634-2225	
Melbeta	Scotts Bluff	P.O. Box 73, 69355	(308) 783-6331	
Memphis	Saunders	203 Natchez, 68042	(402) 944-2283	
Merna	Custer	P.O. Box 211, 68856-0211	(308) 643-2281	
Merriman	Cherry	P.O. Box 63, 69218-0063	(308) 684-3356	
Milford	Seward	P.O. Box 13, 505 First St., 68405-0013	(402) 761-3247	www.milford-ne.com
Milfong	Buttalo	Box 146, 68858-0146	(308) 457-2050	
Milling	Fillmore	P.O. Box 323, 424 N. Main, 68406-0323	(402) 629-4465	
Minitare	Scotts Bluff	Box 483, 309 Main St., 69356	(308) 783-1414	
Minden	Kearney	P.O. Box 239, 325 N. Colomado, 68959-0239	(308) 832-1820	www.mindemebbraska.org
Mitchell	Scotts Bluff	1280 Center Ave., 69357-1444	(308) 623-1523	www.mitchellcity.net
Monowi	Boyd	9 Broad St. Monowi, Lynch, NE 68746		
Monroe	Platte	P.O. Box 103, 122 Gerrard Ave., 68647-0103	(402) 495-2462	
Moorefield	Frontier	P.O. Box 75, 69039	(308) 367-4567	
Morrill	Scotts Bluff	P.O. Box 305, 118 S. Centre Ave., 69358	(308) 247-2312	
Morse Bluff	Saunders	P.O. Box 144, 68448-0144	(402) 666-5264	
Mullen	Hooker	Box 187, 111 N.W. First St., 69152	(308) 546-2625	
Murdock	Cass	P.O. Box 308, 512 Colorado St., 68407-0308	(402) 867-2133	
Murray	Cass	P.O. Box 79, 108 Main St., 68409-0079	(402) 235-2119	www.murraynebraska.com
Naper	Boyd	P.O. Box 228, 68755-0228	(402) 832-5777	
Naponee	Franklin	P.O. Box 194, 611 Femimore St., 68960-0194	(308) 269-3155	
Nebraska City	Otoe	1409 Central Ave., 68410-2223	(402) 873-5515	www.nebraskacity.com
Nehawka	Cass	Box 134, 713 Elm St., 68413-0134	(402) 227-2108	
Neligh	Antelope	P.O. Box 87, 202 Main St., 68756-0087	(402) 887-4066	www.neligh.net
Nelson	Nuckolls	P.O. Box 327, 580 S. Main St., 68961-0327	(402) 225-4401	www.cityofnelson.com
Nemaha	Nemaha	P.O. Box 3, 500 First St., 68414-0003	(402) 824-5010	
Nenzel	Cherry	P.O. Box 73, 69219-0073	(402) 823-4230	
Newcastle	Dixon	P.O. Box 282, 510 Annie St., 68757-0282	(402) 355-2370	www.newcastlenebraska.com
Newman Grove	Madison/Platte	Box 446, 606 Hale Ave., 68758-0446	(402) 447-6444	www.ci.newman-grove.ne.us
Newport	Rock	Box 245, 68759-0245	(402) 244-3233	
Nickerson	Dodge	P.O. Box 7, 68044-0007	(402) 727-7307	
Niobrara	Knox	P.O. Box 227, 254 14 Park Ave., Ste. 1, 68760-0227	(402) 857-3565	www.niobraranec.com
Nora	Nuckolls	Nora, NE 68961	(402) 621-0024	
Norfolk	Madison	309 N. Fifth St., 68701-4092	(402) 844-2000	www.ci.norfolk-ne.us
Norman	Kearney	315 Christen Ave., 68959-7304	(308) 830-3068	
North Bend	Dodge	P.O. Box 401, 607 N. Main, 68649-0401	(402) 652-3584	www.northbendne.org
North Loup	Valley	P.O. Box 280, 68859-0280	(308) 496-4362	

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North Platte	Lincoln	211 W. Third St., 69101-3911	(308) 535-6724	www.ci.north-platte.ne.us
Oak	Nuckolls	Main St., 68904	(402) 225-3344	
Oakdale	Antelope	P.O. Box 10, 400 Fifth St., 68761-0010	(402) 776-2484	
Oakland	Burt	401 N. Oakland, 68054-1134	(402) 685-5822	www.ci.oakland.ne.us
Oberlin	Cedar	112 Main St., 68757	(402) 692-3105	
Oconto	Custer	P.O. Box 128, 68860-0128	(308) 858-4617	www.ocontonebraska.com
Ocavva	Butler	323 Fremont St., 68632	(402) 539-2305	
Odell	Gage	P.O. Box 5, 202 Main St., 68415-0005	(402) 766-4122	
Ogallala	Keith	411 E. Second St., 69153-2631	(308) 284-6001	www.ogallala-ne.gov
Ohiova	Fillmore	P.O. Box 27, 68416-0027	(402) 295-2595	
Omaha	Douglas	1819 Farnam St., 68183	(402) 444-7000	www.ci.omaha.ne.us
O'Neill	Holt	401 E. Fremont, 68763-1897	(402) 336-3640	www.cityofoneill.com
Ong	City	P.O. Box 247, 68452-0247	(402) 284-2225	
Orchard	Antelope	Box 256, 250 N. Windom, 68764-0256	(402) 893-3811	www.orchardnc.com
Ord	Valley	P.O. Box 96, 232 S. 17th, 68862	(308) 728-5791	www.ordnebraska.com
Orleans	Harlan	P.O. Box 149, 68966-0149	(308) 473-4185	www.ordnebraska.com
Oseola	Polk	Box 701, 451 N. Main, 68651-0701	(402) 747-3411	www.ci.oseola.ne.us
Oshkosh	Garden	P.O. Box 166, 305 W. First St., 69154	(308) 772-3686	www.ci.oshkosh.ne.us
Osmond	Pierce	Box 340, 68765-0340	(402) 748-3800	
Otoe	Otoe	P.O. Box 91, 317 Main St., 68417-0091	(402) 265-2211	
Overton	Dawson	P.O. Box 256, 503 C St., 68863-0256	(308) 987-2433	
Oxford	Furnas/Harlan	Box 385, 326 Ogden Ave., 68967-0385	(308) 824-3511	
Page	Fholt	P.O. Box 198, 101 N. 5th St., 68766-0198	(402) 961-0141	
Palsade	Hayes/Hitchcock	P.O. Box 288, 122 N. Main, 69040-0288	(308) 285-3320	
Palmer	Merrick	P.O. Box 8, 802 Commercial St., 68864-0008	(308) 894-8665	
Palmyra	Otoe	P.O. Box 158, 425 C St., 68418-0158	(402) 780-5531	
Panama	Lancaster	P.O. Box 117, 302 Locust St., 68419-0117	(402) 788-2522	www.villageofpanama.com
Papillon	Sarpy	122 E. Third St., 68046-2302	(402) 597-2000	www.papillon.org
Pawnee City	Pawnee	P.O. Box 206, 445 Sixth St., 68420-0206	(402) 852-2781	
Paxton	Keith	Box 338, 108 N. Oak St., 69155-0338	(308) 239-2376	
Pender	Thurston	P.O. Box 549, 68047	(402) 385-3232	
Peru	Nemaha	Box 369, 68421-0369	(402) 872-6685	
Petersburg	Boone	P.O. Box 147, 200 E. Main, 68652-0147	(402) 386-5551	www.ci.petersburg.ne.us
Phillips	Hamilton	P.O. Box 203, 68865-0203	(402) 886-2926	
Pickrell	Gage	P.O. Box 185, 68422	(402) 673-3004	
Pierce	Pierce	106 S. First, 68767-1368	(402) 329-3535	
Pilger	Stanton	P.O. Box 306, 220 N. Main St., 68768-0306	(402) 366-3563	www.pilgernebraska.net
Plainview	Pierce	P.O. Box 757, 209 W. Locust, 68769-0757	(402) 582-4928	www.plainview-ne.com
Platte Center	Platte	Box 125, 68653-0125	(402) 246-2155	

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City/Village	County	Address	Phone	Website
Pleasantmouth	Cass	136 N. Fifth St., 68048-1974	(402) 296-2522	www.plattsmouth.org
Pleasant Dale	Seward	P.O. Box 182, 110 Ash St., 68423-0182	(402) 795-5885	www.pdale-ne.us
Pleasanton	Buffalo	P.O. Box 121, 202 N. Sycamore, 68866-0121	(308) 388-2241	www.village-pleasanton-ne.us
Plymouth	Jefferson	P.O. Box 218, 313 E. Main St., 68424-0218	(402) 656-3430	
Polk	Polk	P.O. Box 6, 565 Leonard Ave., 68654-0006	(402) 765-6471	
Ponca	Dixon	P.O. Box 465, 123 W. Third St., 68770-0465	(402) 755-4165	www.ci.ponca.ne.us
Porter	Cheyenne	P.O. Box 247, 922 Sherman, 69156-0247	(308) 879-4332	
Prague	Saunders	P.O. Box 207, 401 W. Center Ave., 68850-0207	(402) 663-5235	
Preston	Richardson	70448 656 Blvd., Falls City, NE 68355		
Primrose	Boone	229 Commercial St., 68655-0502		
Prosser	Adams	13090 W. Pearl Ave., 68883	(308) 396-1519	
Ragan	Harlan	1526 Johnston Ave., 68969-0213	(402) 984-0175	
Ralston	Douglas	5500 S. 77th St., 68127-3896	(402) 567-2453	
Randolph	Cedar	P.O. Box 457, 212 E. Broadway, 68771-4457	(402) 331-6677	www.cityofralston.com
Ravenna	Buffalo	P.O. Box 108, 416 Grand Ave., 68869-0108	(402) 337-0567	www.ci.randolph.ne.us
Raymond	Lancaster	P.O. Box 248, 68428-0248	(308) 452-3273	www.myravenna.com
Red Cloud	Webster	540 N. Webster, 68970-2422	(402) 783-2032	www.lincoln.ne.gov/towns/raymond
Republican City	Harlan	Box 36, 101 Truman Ave., 68971-0036	(308) 920-2243	www.republicancitywebs.com
Reynolds	Jefferson	P.O. Box 98, 68429-3526	(402) 324-3103	
Richland	Collax	205 11lden St., 68601-8906	(402) 563-2859	
Rising City	Butler	400 Main St., 68658	(402) 542-2164	
Riverdale	Buffalo	P.O. Box 40, 68870-0040	(308) 893-3171	
Riverton	Franklin	P.O. Box 34, 68972-0034	(402) 746-2256	
Roca	Lancaster	Box 69, 68430-0069	(402) 421-9577	
Rockville	Sherman	P.O. Box 175, 68871-0175	(308) 372-3232	
Rogers	Collax	160 Center St., 68659-2809	(402) 352-3875	
Rosalie	Thurston	Box 219, 213 S. Farley, 68055	(402) 863-2265	
Rossland	Adams	Box 170, 68973-0170	(402) 756-6432	
Royal	Antelope	P.O. Box 107, Orchard, NE 68764-0107		
Rulo	Richardson	414 W. Martin, 68431-1882	(402) 245-5225	
Rushville	Sheridan	P.O. Box 99, 208 Conrad St., 69360-0099	(308) 327-2221	
Ruskin	Nuckolls	P.O. Box 126, 68974-0126	(402) 226-3441	
St. Edward	Boone	St. Edward, NE 68660	(402) 678-3322	
St. Helena	Cedar	P.O. Box 41, 110 W. Ninth St., 68774-0041	(402) 357-2476	
St. Paul	Howard	704 Sixth St., 68873-2021	(308) 754-4483	
Salem	Richardson	P.O. Box 297, Falls City, NE 68355-0097	(402) 855-2055	
Santee	Knox	425 Frazier Ave. N., Suite 2, Niobrara, NE 68760-7219	(402) 857-2302	
Sargent	Custer	P.O. Box 40, 106 N. Second St., 68874-0040	(308) 527-4200	www.sargentne.com
Saronville	Clay	102 N. Main, 68975	(402) 469-7815	

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Schuyler.....	Colfax.....	1103 B St., 68661	(402) 352-3101	.....www.schuylerne.net
Scotia.....	Greeley.....	P.O. Box 38, 68875-0038	(308) 245-4161	
Scottsbluff.....	Scotts Bluff.....	2525 Circle Drive, 69361-2495	(308) 632-4136	.....www.scottsbluff.org
Scribner.....	Dodge.....	P.O. Box D, 508 Third St., 68507-0542	(402) 664-3231	
Seneca.....	Thomas.....	Box 8, 69161	(308) 762-4066	
Seward.....	Seward.....	Box 38, 537 Main, 68434-0038	(402) 643-2928	.....www.cityofsewardne.com
Shelby.....	Polk.....	Box 247, 230 Walnut St., 68662-0247	(402) 527-5198	.....www.wi.ci.shelby.ne.us
Shelton.....	Buttalo.....	P.O. Box 6, 219 C St., 68876-0006	(308) 647-5484	
Shickley.....	Fillmore.....	P.O. Box 25, 207 N. Market, 68436-0025	(402) 627-7885	
Shoales.....	Wayne.....	56182 Shoales Dr., Randolph, NE 68771	(402) 337-0442	.....www.biglitletown.us
Shubert.....	Richardson.....	P.O. Box 83, 68437-0083	(402) 883-2076	
Sidney.....	Cheyenne.....	P.O. Box 79, 1115 13th Ave., 69162-0079	(308) 254-5300	.....www.cityofsidney.org
Silver Creek.....	Merrick.....	P.O. Box 6, 506 Highway 30, 68663-0006	(308) 773-8229	
Smithfield.....	Gosper.....	P.O. Box 356, 68976	(308) 785-3127	
Snyder.....	Dodge.....	P.O. Box 247, 125 Ash St., 68664-0247	(402) 568-2688	
South Bend.....	Cass.....	P.O. Box 68, 68058-0068	(402) 944-2349	.....www.southbendnebraska.com
South Sioux City.....	Dakota.....	1615 First Ave., 68776-2245	(402) 494-7500	.....www.southsiouxcity.org
Spalding.....	Greeley.....	P.O. Box 268, 211 E. St. Joseph St., 68665-0268	(308) 497-2416	
Spencer.....	Boyd.....	P.O. Box 15, 100 E. Main St., 68777-0015	(402) 589-1038	
Spangue.....	Lancaster.....	P.O. Box 47, 68438-0047	(402) 794-4775	
Spangfield.....	Sarpy.....	P.O. Box 189, 170 N. 33rd St., 68059-9998	(402) 253-2204	.....www.springfieldne.org
Spangview.....	Keya Paha.....	P.O. Box 298, 68778-0298	(402) 497-2902	.....www.springview-ne.com
Stamford.....	Hardin.....	P.O. Box 186, 68977-0186	(308) 868-2573	
Stanton.....	Stanton.....	P.O. Box 747, 800 11th St., 68779-0747	(402) 439-2119	
Staplehurst.....	Seward.....	155 S. Third St., 68459	(402) 535-2758	
Stapleton.....	Logan.....	P.O. Box 133, 236 Main St., 69163-0133	(308) 636-2960	
Steele City.....	Jefferson.....	Box 21, 212 W. Main St., 68440-0021	(402) 587-2450	
Steinauer.....	Pawnee.....	215 Main St., 68441-0038	(402) 869-2278	
Stella.....	Richardson.....	P.O. Box 105, 68442-0105	(402) 883-2428	
Stirling.....	Johnson.....	P.O. Box 309, 68443	(402) 866-5481	
Stockville.....	Frontier.....	P.O. Box 34, 69042		
Strang.....	Fillmore.....	P.O. Box 62, 68444-0062	(402) 759-4848	
Stratton.....	Hitchcock.....	P.O. Box 332, 311 Bailey St., 69043-0332	(308) 276-2184	.....www.strattonnebraska.com
Stromsburg.....	Polk.....	P.O. Box 407, 122 E. Third, 68666-0407	(402) 764-2561	.....www.stromsburgnebraska.com
Stuart.....	Holt.....	P.O. Box 177, 109 W. First St., 68780-0177	(402) 924-3647	.....www.stuartne.com
Sumner.....	Dawson.....	P.O. Box 85, 100 E. Fifth, 68878-0085	(308) 752-3015	
Superior.....	Nickolls.....	P.O. Box 160, 68978-0160	(402) 879-4713	.....www.cityofsuperior.org
Surprise.....	Budler.....	580 Summit St., 68667	(402) 526-2389	
Sutherland.....	Lincoln.....	P.O. Box 277, 1200 First St., 69165-0277	(308) 386-64721	.....www.villageofsutherland.com

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City/Village	County	Address	Phone	Website
Sutton.....	Clay.....	P.O. Box 430, 107 W. Grove St., 68979-0430	(402) 773-4225	www.cityofsutton.org
Swanton.....	Saline.....	P.O. Box 23, 402 First St., 68445	(402) 300-0955	
Syracuse.....	Otoe.....	P.O. Box E, 495 Midland St., 68446-0137	(402) 269-2173	
Table Rock.....	Pawnee.....	P.O. Box 123, 68447-0123	(402) 839-5575	
Talman.....	Otoe.....	P.O. Box 138, 507 Fifth St., 68448-0138	(402) 264-3715	
Tarnov.....	Plate.....	P.O. Box 214, Humphrey, NE 68642		
Taylor.....	Loup.....	P.O. Box 129, 68879-0129	(308) 942-6136	
Tecumseh.....	Johnson.....	P.O. Box 417, 122 S. Fourth St., 68450-0417	(402) 335-3570	www.tecumseh.com
Tekamah.....	Burt.....	P.O. Box 143, 1315 K St., 68061-0143	(402) 374-2521	www.tekamah.net
Terrytown.....	Scouts Bluff.....	116 Terry Blvd., Gering, NE 69341-1601	(308) 632-7212	
Thayer.....	York.....	401 Fourth St., Waco, NE 68460	(402) 362-4620	
Theadford.....	Thomas.....	Box 147, 69166-0147	(308) 645-0439	
Thurston.....	Thurston.....	Box 215, 68062	(402) 385-2608	
Tilden.....	Antelope/Madison.....	P.O. Box 37, 202 S. Center St., 68781-0037	(402) 368-2232	
Tobias.....	Saline.....	P.O. Box 94, 68453-0094	(402) 300-0955	
Trenton.....	Hitchcock.....	P.O. Box 68, 402 Main St., 69044-0068	(308) 334-5488	www.villageofrenton.net
Trumbull.....	Clay.....	P.O. Box 133, 131 Main St., 68980-0133	(402) 743-2221	
Uehling.....	Dodge.....	P.O. Box 13, 211 Fifth St., 68063-0013	(402) 567-2234	
Ulysses.....	Butler.....	P.O. Box 157, 68669-0157	(402) 549-2199	
Unadilla.....	Otoe.....	P.O. Box 87, 333 Main St., 68454-0087	(402) 828-5355	www.unadillanebraska.com
Union.....	Cass.....	P.O. Box 127, 500 Main St., 68455-0127	(402) 263-3865	www.unionnebraska.com
Upland.....	Franklin.....	P.O. Box 67, 68981-0067	(402) 756-0186	
Ureca.....	Seward.....	P.O. Box 158, 466 First St., 68456-0158	(402) 534-4237	www.uticane.com
Valentine.....	Cherry.....	P.O. Box 177, 323 N. Main St., 69201-0177	(402) 376-2323	
Valley.....	Douglas.....	P.O. Box 682, 203 N. Spruce St., 68064-0682	(402) 359-2251	www.valleyne.org
Valparaiso.....	Saunders.....	P.O. Box 147, 312 Pine St., 68065-0147	(402) 784-2636	
Venango.....	Perkins.....	P.O. Box 4, 69168-0004	(308) 447-5721	
Verdel.....	Knox.....	23 W. Verdel Main St., Niobrara, NE 68760-6045	(402) 229-3296	
Vergde.....	Knox.....	P.O. Box 330, 301 S. Main St., 68783-0330	(402) 668-2621	www.verdigre.org
Verdon.....	Richardson.....	P.O. Box 114, 314 Main St., 68457-0114	(402) 883-2044	
Virginia.....	Cage.....	P.O. Box 87, 68458		
Waco.....	York.....	P.O. Box 85, 403 Midland St., 68460-0085	(402) 728-5223	
Wahoo.....	Saunders.....	605 N. Broadway, 68066-1097	(402) 443-3222	www.wahoone.us
Wakefield.....	Dixon/Wayne.....	P.O. Box 178, 405 Main St., 68784-0178	(402) 287-2080	www.ci.wakefield.ne.us
Wallace.....	Lancola.....	P.O. Box 40, 105 S. Commercial Ave., 69169-0040	(308) 383-4522	
Walhill.....	Thurston.....	P.O. Box 246, 224 Main St., 68067-0246	(402) 846-5921	
Washington.....	Washington.....	1297 County Road P25, 68608-4011	(402) 238-2556	
Waterbury.....	Dixon.....	P.O. Box 123, 68785-0123	(402) 638-2016	
Waterloo.....	Douglas.....	P.O. Box 127, 509 S. Front St., 68069-0127	(402) 779-2292	www.waterloone.com

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Vauneta	Chase	P.O. Box 95, 319 N. Tecumseh, 69045-0095	(308) 394-5390	www.vauneta.com
Wausa	Knox	P.O. Box 219, 406 E. Broadway, 68786-0219	(402) 586-2311	
Waverly	Lancaster	P.O. Box 427, 14130 Lancaster, 68462-0427	(402) 786-2312	www.citywaverly.com
Wayne	Wayne	P.O. Box 8, 306 Pearl St., 68787-0008	(402) 375-1733	www.city.waynec.org
Weeping Water	Cass	P.O. Box 329, 101 W. Eldora Ave., 68463-0329	(402) 267-5152	www.weepingwaternebraska.com
Wellfleet	Lincoln	P.O. Box 71, 69170-0018	(308) 963-4422	
West Point	Cuming	P.O. Box 327, 444 S. Main, 68788-0327	(402) 372-2466	www.ci.west-point.ne.us
Western	Saline	P.O. Box 387, 108 E. Sumner St., 68464-0387	(402) 433-2861	
Weston	Saunders	P.O. Box 149, 104 E. Pike, 68070-0149	(402) 642-5496	
Whitney	Dawes	P.O. Box 86, 69367-0086	(308) 667-2094	
Wilber	Saline	P.O. Box 486, 110 W. Third St., 68465-0486	(402) 821-3233	
Wilcox	Kearney	P.O. Box 88, 107 W. Sapp St., 68982-0088	(308) 478-5510	
Wilsonville	Furnas	P.O. Box 98, 69046-0098	(308) 349-1013	
Winnebago	Thurston	P.O. Box 683, 68071-0683	(402) 878-2938	
Winnetoan	Knox	Winnetoan, NE 68789-0082	(402) 847-3232	
Winstate	Wayne	P.O. Box 206, 424 Main St., 68790-0206	(402) 286-4422	www.nnrc.net/winside
Winslow	Dodge	P.O. Box 157, 68072-0157	(402) 654-3538	
Wisner	Cuming	P.O. Box 367, 1111 Ave. E., 68791-0367	(402) 529-6616	www.ci.wisner.ne.us
Wallbach	Creeley	P.O. Box 97, 406 Center Ave., 68882-0097	(308) 246-5278	
Wood Lake	Cherry	P.O. Box 788, 69221-0788	(402) 967-3054	
Wood River	Hall	P.O. Box 8, 1002 Main St., 68883-0008	(308) 583-2066	www.woodriverne.com
Wymore	Gage	115 W. E. St., 68466-2199	(402) 645-3377	
Wymot	Cedar	P.O. Box 61, 110 E. Fifth St., 68792-0061	(402) 357-2130	www.wymotnebraska.com
York	York	100 E. Fourth St., 68467-0276	(402) 363-2600	www.ci.york.ne.us
Yutan	Saunders	P.O. Box 215, 112 Vine, 68073-0215	(402) 625-2112	www.cityofyutan.com

## SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND EDUCATIONAL SERVICE UNITS

Nebraska's elementary and secondary school districts are classified based on the population of the district. All school districts are governed by elected boards. The district classifications are as follows:

- Class II: K-12 districts with a population of 1,000 or less
- Class III: K-12 districts with a population of 1,001 to 149,999
- Class IV: K-12 districts with a population of 100,000 or more and having a primary class city within the district (Lincoln Public Schools is the only Class IV district)
- Class V: K-12 districts with a population of 200,000 or more and having a metropolitan class city within the district (Omaha Public Schools is the only Class V district)

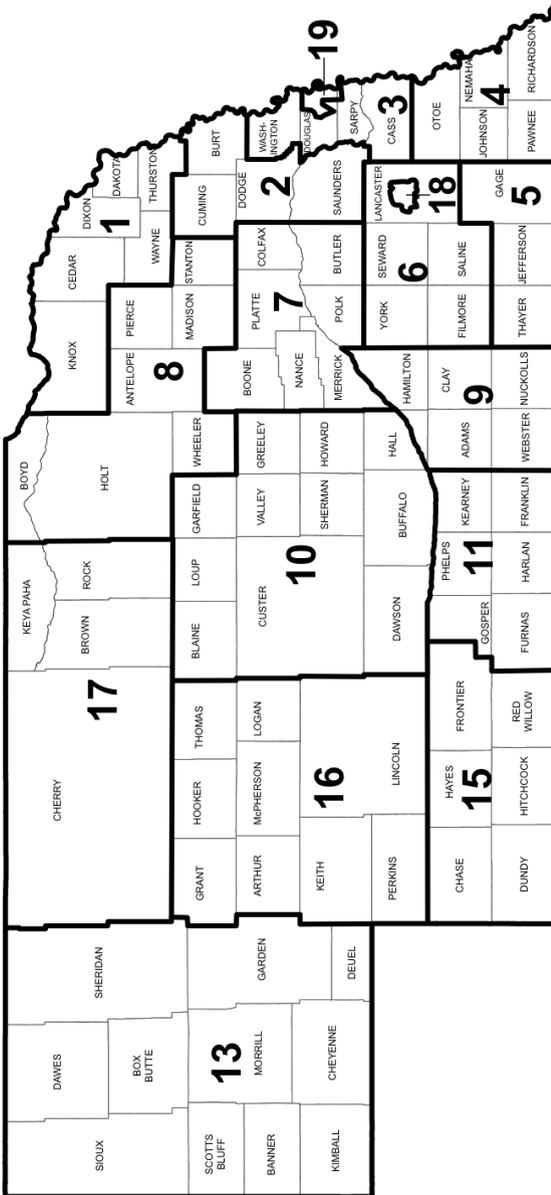
Nebraska statutes also provide for educational service units, which provide supplemental services to local school districts. Educational service units also are accredited by the State Board of Education. These units are governed by elected boards.

All public school districts and private schools in Nebraska are listed by county in the following pages. The schools labeled as public school districts in the following pages are both locally and state funded; state-supported schools are listed separately. For more information about schools, see the *Education Directory*, available from the website — [www.education.ne.gov](http://www.education.ne.gov).<sup>3</sup>

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<sup>3</sup>For more information about the State Department of Education see Page 612 and for the State Board of Education see Page 602. For elementary and secondary school statistics, see Page 884.

Nebraska Educational Service Units\*



\*Source: Nebraska State Department of Education. Map shows boundaries of ESUs by county. However, school district participation determines actual ESU boundaries. Some districts have removed themselves from one ESU and joined another. ESU No. 12 and ESU No. 13 merged in 1998, and ESU 14 merged with ESU 13 in 2005.

Nebraska Educational Service Units, 2014<sup>4</sup>

ESU	Administrator	Address	Phone	Website
ESU No. 1	Bob Uhing	211 10th St., Wakefield, NE 68784-5014	(402) 287-2061	www.esu1.org
ESU No. 2	Ted DeTurk	2320 N. Colorado, Box 649, Fremont, NE 68026-0649	(402) 721-7710	www.esu2.org
ESU No. 3	Dan Schmoes	6949 S. 110th St., Omaha, NE 68128-5722	(402) 597-4800	www.esu3.org
ESU No. 4	Jon Fisher	919 16th St., P.O. Box 310, Auburn, NE 68305-0310	(402) 274-4354	www.esu4.org
ESU No. 5	Brian Gegg	900 W. Court, Beatrice, NE 68310-3526	(402) 223-5277	www.esu5.org
ESU No. 6	Dan Shoemaker	210 Fifth St., Milford, NE 68405-9508	(402) 761-3341	www.esu6.org
ESU No. 7	Lananne Polk	2657 44th Ave., Columbus, NE 68601-8537	(402) 564-5753	www.esu7.org
ESU No. 8	Bill Mowinkel	302 Main St., P.O. Box 89, Neligh, NE 68756-0089	(402) 887-5041	www.esu8.org
ESU No. 9	Kraig Lofquist	1117 E. South St., Box 2047, Hastings, NE 68902-2047	(402) 463-5611	www.esu9.org
ESU No. 10	Wayne A. Bell	76 Plaza Blvd., Box 850, Kearney, NE 68848-0850	(308) 237-5927	www.esu10.org
ESU No. 11	Paul Tedesco	412 W. 14th Ave., Box 858, Holdrege, NE 68949-0858	(308) 995-6585	www.esu11.org
ESU No. 13	Jeffrey West	4215 Ave. I, Scottsbluff, NE 69361-4901	(308) 635-3696	www.esu13.org
ESU No. 15	Paul Calvert	344 Main St., P.O. Box 398, Trenton, NE 69044-0398	(308) 334-5160	www.esu15.org
ESU No. 16	Marge Beatty	314 W. First St., Box 915, Ogallala, NE 69153-0915	(308) 284-8481	www.esu16.org
ESU No. 17	Dennis Radford	P.O. Box 227, Ainsworth, NE 69210-0227	(402) 387-1420	www.esu17.org
ESU No. 18	Liz Standish	School District of Lincoln, 5901 O St., P.O. Box 82889, Lincoln, NE 68501-2889	(402) 436-1610	www.pps.org
ESU No. 19	Julia Allen	School District of Omaha, 3215 Cuming St., Omaha, NE 68131-2024	(402) 557-2020	www.ops.org

<sup>4</sup>Source: Nebraska Department of Education.<sup>5</sup>ESU No. 12 merged with ESU No. 13 in 1998 and ESU No. 14 merged with ESU no. 13 in 2005.

## COUNTIES, TOWNS AND SCHOOLS

**Editor's Note:** Information for this section was gathered from the U.S. Census Bureau (2013 estimates); *The Nebraska Databook*, published by the Nebraska Department of Economic Development; the Nebraska Association of County Officials; and the Nebraska Department of Education.

### Nebraska Counties, Towns and Schools, 2014

#### Adams County

**Land Area:** 563 square miles

**Population (2013):** 31,610

**County Seat:** Hastings

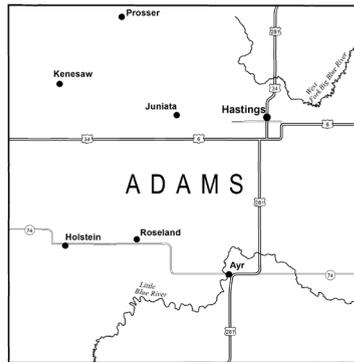
**County Clerk Address:** P.O. Box 2067, 500 W. Fourth St., Hastings, NE 68901, phone (402) 461-7199

**Towns and Population (2013):** Ayr, 94; Hastings, 25,058; Holstein, 221; Juniata, 787; Kenesaw, 909; Prosser, 68; Roseland, 243

**Public School Districts (2014):** Adams Central Public Schools: Ayr, Hastings, Holstein, Inland, Juniata, and Prosser; Hastings Public Schools: Hastings; Kenesaw Public Schools: Heartwell, Kenesaw and Prosser; Silver Lake Public Schools: Bladen, Campbell and Roseland

**Private Schools (2014):** Christ Lutheran Elementary School, Juniata; Hastings Catholic Schools, Hastings; Zion Lutheran Elementary School, Hastings

**Website:** [www.adamscounty.org](http://www.adamscounty.org)



#### Antelope County

**Land Area:** 857 square miles

**Population (2013):** 6,456

**County Seat:** Neligh

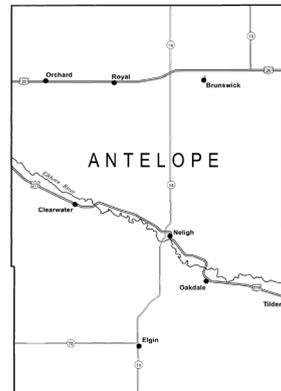
**County Clerk Address:** P.O. Box 26, 501 Main, Neligh, NE 68756, phone (402) 887-4410

**Towns and Population (2013):** Brunswick, 137; Clearwater, 406; Elgin, 645; Neligh, 1,569; Oakdale, 311; Orchard, 367; Royal, 62; Tilden, 951

**Public School Districts (2014):** Elgin Public Schools: Elgin and Raeville; Nebraska Unified District 1: Center, Clearwater, Ewing, Inman, Orchard, Page, Royal and Verdigre; Neligh-Oakdale Schools: Neligh and Oakdale

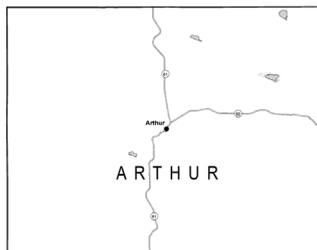
**Private Schools (2014):** Pope John XXIII High School, Elgin; St. Boniface Elementary School, Elgin

**Website:** [www.co.antelope.ne.us](http://www.co.antelope.ne.us)



<sup>6</sup>The city of Tilden is in both Antelope and Madison counties.

## Nebraska Counties, Towns and Schools (Cont'd.)



### Arthur County

**Land Area:** 715 square miles

**Population (2013):** 458

**County Seat:** Arthur

**County Clerk Address:** P.O. Box 126, Arthur, NE 69121, phone (308) 764-2203

**Town and Population (2013):** Arthur, 124

**Public School District (2014):** Arthur County Schools: Arthur



### Banner County

**Land Area:** 746 square miles

**Population (2013):** 759

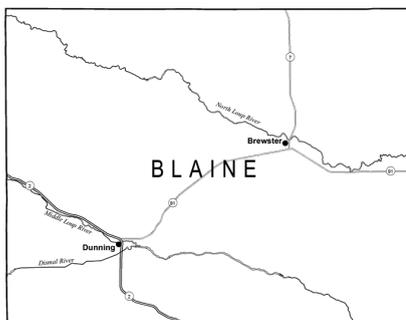
**County Seat:** Harrisburg

**County Clerk Address:** P.O. Box 67, Harrisburg, NE 69345, phone (308) 436-5265

**Town and Population (2013):** Harrisburg, unincorporated

**Public School District (2014):** Banner County Public Schools: Harrisburg

**Website:** [www.bannercounty-ne.gov](http://www.bannercounty-ne.gov)



### Blaine County

**Land Area:** 711 square miles

**Population (2013):** 482

**County Seat:** Brewster

**County Clerk Address:** 145 Lincoln Ave., Brewster, NE 68821, phone (308) 547-2222

**Towns and Population (2013):** Brewster, 18; Dunning, 111; Halsey, 78<sup>7</sup>

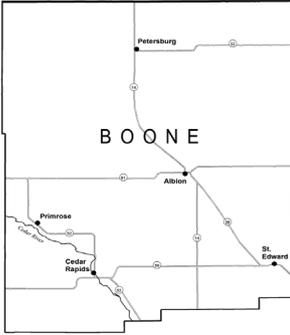
**Public School District (2014):** Sandhills Public Schools: Brewster, Dunning, Halsey and Purdum.

**Website:** [www.blainecounty.ne.gov](http://www.blainecounty.ne.gov)

<sup>7</sup> The village of Halsey is in both Blaine and Thomas counties.

## Nebraska Counties, Towns and Schools (Cont'd.)

### Boone County



**Land Area:** 687 square miles

**Population (2013):** 5,388

**County Seat:** Albion

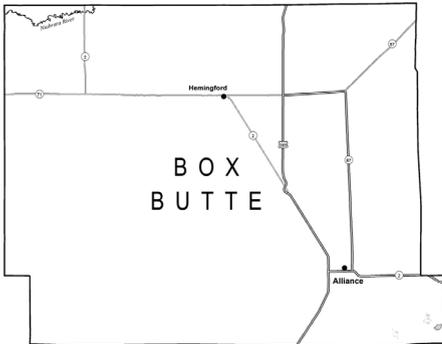
**County Clerk Address:** 222 S. Fourth St., Albion, NE 68620, phone (402) 395-2055

**Towns and Population (2013):** Albion, 1,621; Cedar Rapids, 376; Petersburg, 328; Primrose, 60; St. Edward, 700

**Public School Districts (2014):** Boone Central Schools: Albion, Boone, Loretto, Petersburg and Raeville; Cedar Rapids Public Schools: Belgrade, Cedar Rapids and Primrose; St. Edward Public Schools: St. Edward

**Private Schools (2014):** St. John the Baptist Elementary School, Petersburg; St. Michael's Elementary School, Albion

**Website:** [www.co.boone.ne.us](http://www.co.boone.ne.us)



### Box Butte County

**Land Area:** 1,075 square miles

**Population (2013):** 11,305

**County Seat:** Alliance

**County Clerk Address:** P.O. Box 678, Alliance, NE 69301, phone (308) 762-6565

**Towns and Population (2013):** Alliance, 8,499; Hemingford, 807

**Public School Districts (2014):** Alliance Public Schools: Alliance and Antioch; Hemingford Public Schools: Hemingford

**Private School (2014):** St. Agnes Elementary School, Alliance

**Website:** [www.co.box-butte.ne.us](http://www.co.box-butte.ne.us)

## Nebraska Counties, Towns and Schools (Cont'd.)

### Boyd County

**Land Area:** 540 square miles

**Population (2013):** 2,032

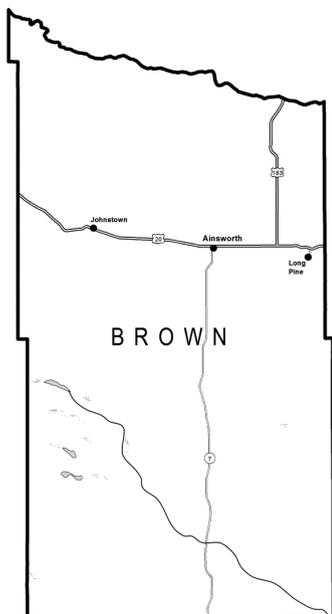
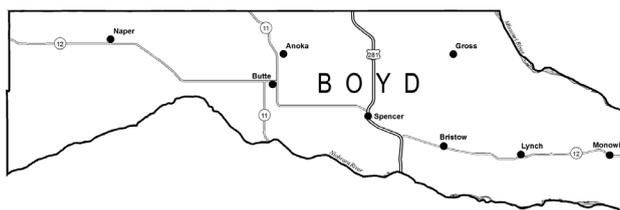
**County Seat:** Butte

**County Clerk Address:** P.O. Box 26, 401 Thayer, Butte, NE 68722, phone (402) 775-2391

**Towns and Population (2013):** Anoka, 6; Bristow, 64; Butte, 321; Gross, 2; Lynch, 238; Monowi, 1; Naper, 83; Spencer, 443

**Public School Districts (2014):** Lynch Public Schools: Bristow, Lynch, Monowi and Verdel; West Boyd Unified System: Anoka, Butte, Gross, Naper and Spencer

**Website:** [www.boydcounty.ne.gov](http://www.boydcounty.ne.gov)



### Brown County

**Land Area:** 1,221 square miles

**Population (2013):** 2,926

**County Seat:** Ainsworth

**County Clerk Address:** 148 W. Fourth St., Ainsworth, NE 69210, phone (402) 387-2705

**Towns and Population (2013):** Ainsworth, 1,662; Johnstown, 62; Long Pine, 296

**Public School District (2014):** Ainsworth Community Schools: Ainsworth, Johnstown and Long Pine

## Nebraska Counties, Towns and Schools (Cont'd.)

### Buffalo County

**Land Area:** 968 square miles

**Population (2013):** 47,893

**County Seat:** Kearney

**County Clerk Address:** P.O. Box 1270, 1512 Central Ave., Kearney, NE 68847, phone (308) 236-1233

**Towns and Population (2013):**

Amherst, 253; Elm Creek, 929; Gibbon, 1,867; Kearney, 31,790; Miller, 139; Pleasanton, 347; Ravenna, 1,383; Riverdale, 185; Shelton, 1,074

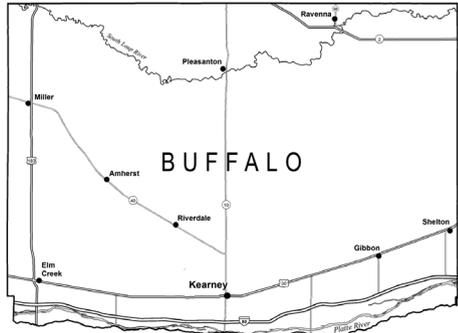
**Public School Districts (2014):**

Amherst Public Schools: Amherst and Riverdale; Elm Creek Public Schools: Elm Creek; Gibbon Public Schools: Gibbon; Kearney Public Schools: Kearney, Odessa and Riverdale; Pleasanton Public Schools: Pleasanton; Ravenna Public Schools: Hazard, Poole and Ravenna; Shelton Public Schools: Shelton

**State-Supported School (2014):** Kearney West High School, Kearney

**Private Schools (2014):** Faith Christian Schools, Kearney; Kearney Catholic Schools, Kearney; Zion Lutheran Elementary School, Kearney

**Website:** [www.buffalocounty.ne.gov](http://www.buffalocounty.ne.gov)



### Burt County

**Land Area:** 493 square miles

**Population (2013):** 6,574

**County Seat:** Tekamah

**County Clerk Address:** P.O. Box 87, 111 N. 13th St., Suite 8, Tekamah, NE 68061, phone (402) 374-2955

**Towns and Population (2013):** Craig, 193; Decatur, 474; Lyons, 827; Oakland, 1,207; Tekamah, 1,681

**Public School Districts (2014):** Lyons-Decatur

Northeast Schools: Decatur and Lyons; Oakland Craig Public Schools: Craig and Oakland; Tekamah-Herman Community Schools: Herman and Tekamah

**Website:** [www.burtcounty.ne.gov](http://www.burtcounty.ne.gov)



## Nebraska Counties, Towns and Schools (Cont'd.)



### Butler County

**Land Area:** 587 square miles

**Population (2013):** 8,312

**County Seat:** David City

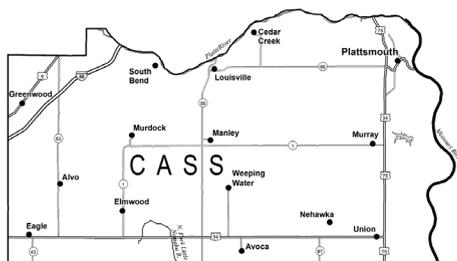
**County Clerk Address:** 451 N. Fifth St., David City, NE 68632, phone (402) 367-7436

**Towns and Population (2013):** Abie, 68; Bellwood, 425; Brainard, 328; Bruno, 98; David City, 2,877; Dwight, 202; Garrison, 53; Linwood, 87; Octavia, 126; Rising City, 370; Surprise, 43; Ulysses, 169

**Public School Districts (2014):** David City Public Schools: Abbie, Bellwood, Bruno, David City, Garrison, Octavia and Surprise; East Butler Public Schools: Bee, Brainard, Bruno and Dwight; Rising City Public Schools: Rising City and Surprise

**Private School (2014):** Aquinas St. Mary's Catholic Schools, David City

**Website:** [www.co.butler.ne.us](http://www.co.butler.ne.us)



### Cass County

**Land Area:** 559 square miles

**Population (2013):** 25,357

**County Seat:** Plattsmouth

**County Clerk Address:** 201

Main St., Plattsmouth, NE 68048, phone (402) 296-9309

**Towns and Population (2013):** Alvo, 131; Avoca, 239; Cedar Creek, 388; Eagle, 1,023; Elmwood, 628; Greenwood, 562; Louisville, 1,111; Manley, 162; Murdock, 234; Murray 463; Nehawka, 202; Plattsmouth, 6,442; South Bend, 98; Union, 231; Weeping Water, 1,042

**Public School Districts (2014):** Conestoga Public Schools: Murray and Nehawka; Elmwood-Murdock Public Schools: Elmwood, Murdock and South Bend; Louisville Public Schools: Cedar Creek, Louisville and South Bend; Plattsmouth Community Schools: Plattsmouth; Weeping Water Public Schools: Manley and Weeping Water

**Private School (2014):** St. John the Baptist Elementary School, Plattsmouth

**Website:** [www.cassne.org](http://www.cassne.org)

## Nebraska Counties, Towns and Schools (Cont'd.)

### Cedar County

**Land Area:** 740 square miles

**Population (2013):** 8,711

**County Seat:** Hartington

**County Clerk Address:** P.O. Box 47, 1015 Broadway, Hartington, NE 68739, phone (402) 254-7411

**Towns and Population (2013):** Belden, 114; Coleridge, 467; Fordyce, 138; Hartington, 1,532; Laurel, 954; Magnet, 57; Obert, 23; Randolph, 932; St. Helena, 95; Wynot, 165

**Public School Districts (2014):** Coleridge Community Schools: Coleridge; Hartington Public Schools: Fordyce, Hartington, Obert and St. Helena; Laurel-Concord Public Schools: Concord, Dixon and Laurel; Randolph Public Schools: Belden, McLean, Randolph and Sholes; Wynot Public Schools: Bow Valley, St. Helena and Wynot

**Private Schools (2014):** Cedar Catholic High School, Hartington; East Catholic Elementary School, Hartington; Holy Trinity Elementary School, Hartington; West Catholic Elementary School, Fordyce

**Website:** [www.co.cedar.ne.us](http://www.co.cedar.ne.us)



### Chase County

**Land Area:** 895 square miles

**Population (2013):** 4,000

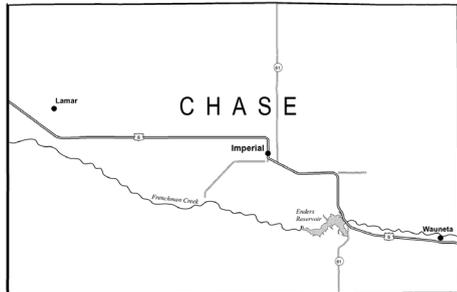
**County Seat:** Imperial

**County Clerk Address:** P.O. Box 1299, Imperial, NE 69033, phone (308) 882-7500

**Towns and Population (2013):** Imperial, 2,122; Lamar, 24; Wauneta, 591

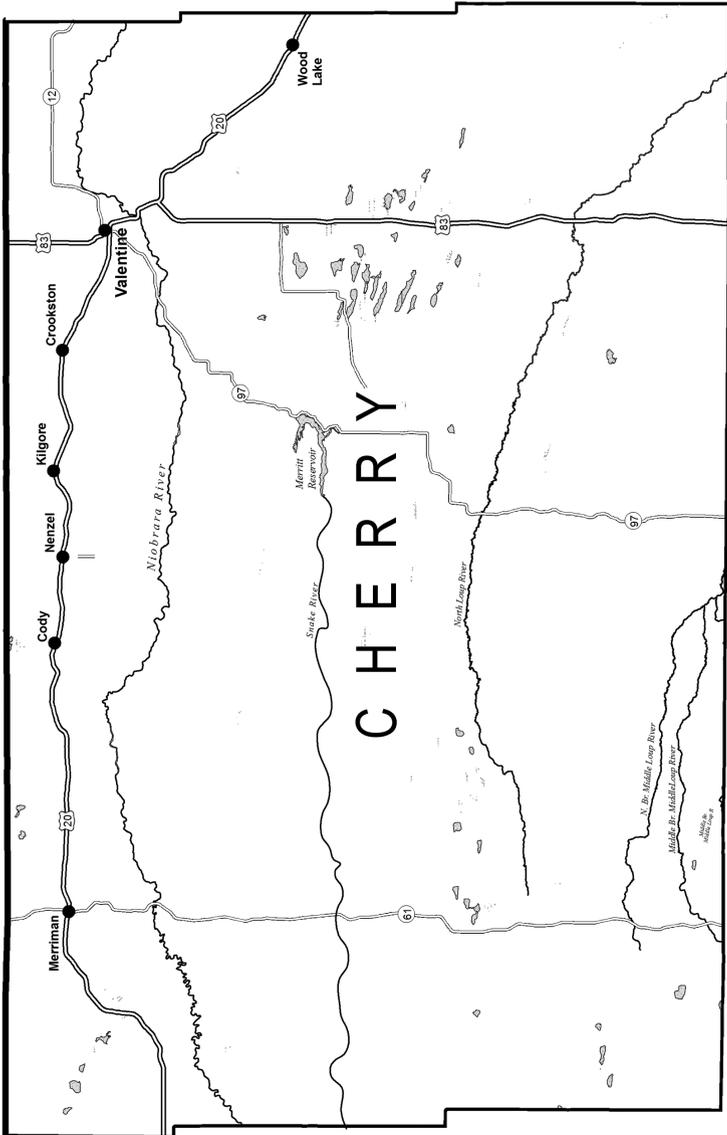
**Public School Districts (2014):** Chase County Schools: Champion, Enders, Imperial and Lamar; Wauneta-Palisade Public Schools: Hamlet, Palisade and Wauneta

**Website:** [www.co.chase.ne.us](http://www.co.chase.ne.us)



# Nebraska Counties, Towns and Schools (Cont'd.)

## Cherry County



## Nebraska Counties, Towns and Schools (Cont'd.)

### Cherry County (Cont'd.)

**Land Area:** 5,961 square miles

**Population (2013):** 5,788

**County Seat:** Valentine

**County Clerk Address:** P.O. Box 120, 365 N. Main St., Valentine, NE 69201, phone (402) 376-2771

**Towns and Population (2013):** Cody, 155; Crookston, 69; Kilgore, 77; Merriman, 128; Nenzel, 20; Valentine, 2,760; Wood Lake, 63

**Public School Districts (2014):** Cody-Kilgore Public Schools: Cody, Kilgore and Nenzel; Valentine Community Schools: Crookston, Elsmere, Sparks, Valentine, Whitman and Wood Lake

**Private School (2014):** Zion Lutheran Elementary School, Valentine

**Website:** [www.co.cherry.ne.us](http://www.co.cherry.ne.us)

### Cheyenne County

**Land Area:** 1,196 square miles

**Population (2013):** 10,091

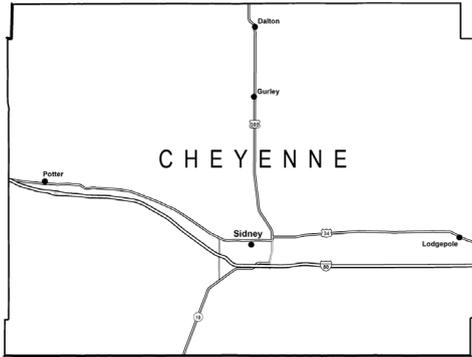
**County Seat:** Sidney

**County Clerk Address:** P.O. Box 217, 1000 10th Ave., Sidney, NE 69162, phone (308) 254-2141

**Towns and Population (2013):** Dalton, 318; Gurley, 216; Lodgepole, 321; Potter, 337; Sidney, 6,808

**Public School Districts (2014):** Leyton Public Schools: Broadwater, Dalton and Gurley; Potter-Dix Public Schools: Dix and Potter; Sidney Public Schools: Sidney

**Website:** [www.cheyennecountynet.net](http://www.cheyennecountynet.net)



### Clay County

**Land Area:** 573 square miles

**Population (2013):** 6,392

**County Seat:** Clay Center

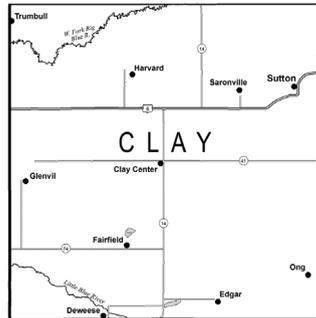
**County Clerk Address:** 111 W. Fairfield St., Clay Center, NE 68933, phone (402) 762-3463

**Towns and Population (2013):** Clay Center, 744; Deweese, 66; Edgar, 492; Fairfield, 378; Glenvil, 304; Harvard, 990; Ong, 62; Saronville, 47; Sutton, 1,471; Trumbull, 201

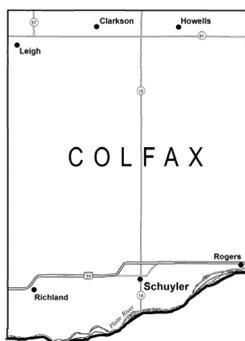
**Public School Districts (2014):** Clay Center Public Schools: Clay Center; Harvard Public Schools: Harvard; South Central Unified System: Deweese, Edgar, Fairfield and Glenvil; Sutton Public Schools: Grafton, Saronville and Sutton

**Private School (2014):** Sutton Christian School, Sutton

**Website:** [www.claycounty.ne.gov](http://www.claycounty.ne.gov)



## Nebraska Counties, Towns and Schools (Cont'd.)



### Colfax County

**Land Area:** 413 square miles

**Population (2013):** 10,425

**County Seat:** Schuyler

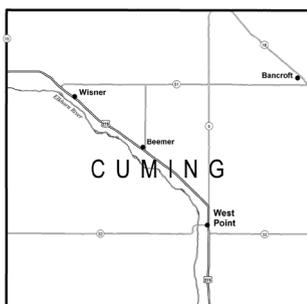
**County Clerk Address:** 411 E. 11th St., Schuyler, NE 68661,  
phone (402) 352-8504

**Towns and Population (2013):** Clarkson, 660; Howells, 566;  
Leigh, 408; Richland, 74; Rogers, 96; Schuyler, 5,283

**Public School Districts (2014):** Clarkson Public Schools:  
Clarkson; Howells Public Schools: Howells; Leigh Community  
Schools: Creston and Leigh; Schuyler Community Schools: Linwood,  
Octavia, Richland, Rogers and Schuyler

**Private Schools (2014):** Howells Community Catholic School,  
Howells; St. John Neumann Elementary School, Clarkson

**Website:** [www.colfaxne.com](http://www.colfaxne.com)



### Cuming County

**Land Area:** 572 square miles

**Population (2013):** 8,996

**County Seat:** West Point

**County Clerk Address:** 200 S. Lincoln St.,  
Room 100, West Point, NE 68788, phone (402)  
372-6002

**Towns and Population (2013):** Bancroft,  
489; Beemer, 668; West Point, 3,338; Wisner, 1,172

**Public School Districts (2014):** Bancroft-  
Rosalie Community Schools: Bancroft and Rosalie;  
West Point Public Schools: Beemer and West Point;  
Wisner-Pilger Public Schools: Pilger and Wisner

**Private Schools (2014):** Guardian Angels  
Elementary School, West Point; St. Paul Lutheran  
Elementary School, West Point; West Point Central  
Catholic High School, West Point; Zion Lutheran  
Elementary School, Bancroft; Zion St. John Lu-  
theran School, Wisner

**Website:** [www.cumingco.com](http://www.cumingco.com)

# Nebraska Counties, Towns and Schools (Cont'd.)

## Custer County

**Land Area:** 2,576 square miles

**Population (2013):** 10,792

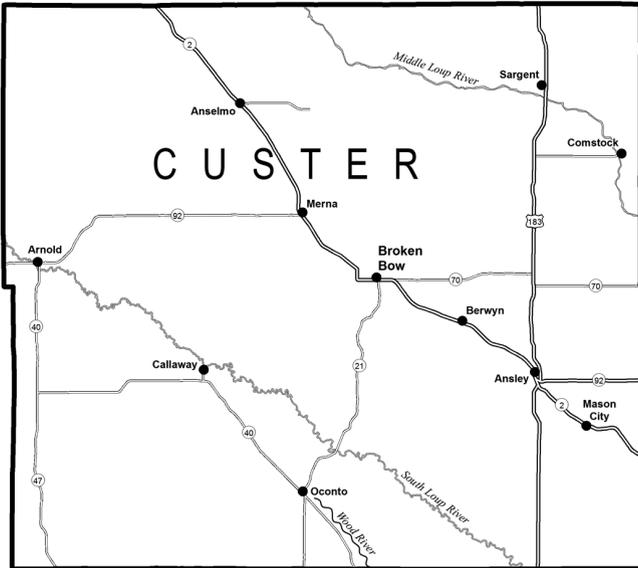
**County Seat:** Broken Bow

**County Clerk Address:** 431 S. 10th St., Broken Bow, NE 68822, phone (308) 872-5701

**Towns and Population (2013):** Anselmo, 143; Ansley, 431; Arnold, 584; Berwyn, 82; Broken Bow, 3,486; Callaway, 527; Comstock, 91; Mason City, 168; Merna, 359; Oconto, 149; Sargent, 513

**Public School Districts (2014):** Anselmo-Merna Public Schools: Anselmo, Merna and Milburn; Ansley Public Schools: Ansley, Berwyn, Mason City and Westerville; Arnold Public Schools: Arnold; Broken Bow Public Schools: Berwyn, Broken Bow, Oconto, Weissert and Westerville; Callaway Public Schools: Callaway and Oconto; Sargent Public Schools: Sargent

**Website:** [www.co.custer.ne.us](http://www.co.custer.ne.us)



## Nebraska Counties, Towns and Schools (Cont'd.)



### Dakota County

**Land Area:** 264 square miles

**Population (2013):** 20,947

**County Seat:** Dakota City

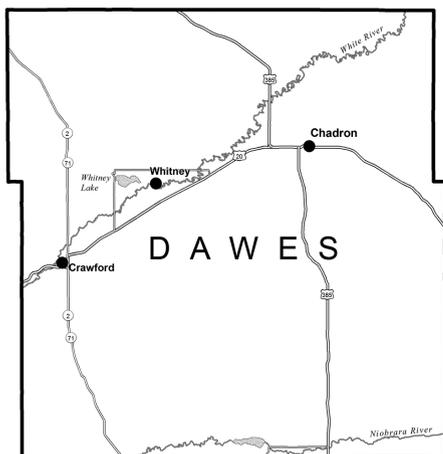
**County Clerk Address:** P.O. Box 39, 1601 Broadway St., Dakota City, NE 68731, phone (402) 987-2125

**Towns and Population (2013):** Dakota City, 1,898; Emerson,<sup>8</sup> 830; Homer, 547; Hubbard, 235; Jackson, 219; South Sioux City, 13,400

**Public School Districts (2014):** Homer Community Schools: Homer and Jackson; South Sioux City Public Schools: Dakota City, Jackson, and South Sioux City

**Private School (2014):** St. Michael Elementary School, South Sioux City

**Website:** [www.dakotacountyne.org](http://www.dakotacountyne.org)



### Dawes County

**Land Area:** 1,396 square miles

**Population (2013):** 9,088

**County Seat:** Chadron

**County Clerk Address:** 451 Main, Chadron, NE 69337, phone (308) 432-0100

**Towns and Population (2013):** Chadron, 5,844; Crawford, 992; Whitney, 77

**Public School Districts (2014):** Chadron Public Schools: Chadron and Whitney; Crawford Public Schools: Crawford and Whitney

**State-Supported School (2014):** Pine Ridge Job Corps, Chadron

**Private School (2014):** Prairie View Seventh-day Adventist School, Chadron

**Website:** [www.dawes-county.com](http://www.dawes-county.com)

<sup>8</sup>The village of Emerson is in Dakota, Dixon and Thurston counties.

## Nebraska Counties, Towns and Schools (Cont'd.)

### Dawson County

**Land Area:** 1,013 square miles

**Population (2013):** 24,207

**County Seat:** Lexington

**County Clerk Address:**

700 N. Washington, Room A,  
Lexington, NE 68850, phone  
(308) 324-9832

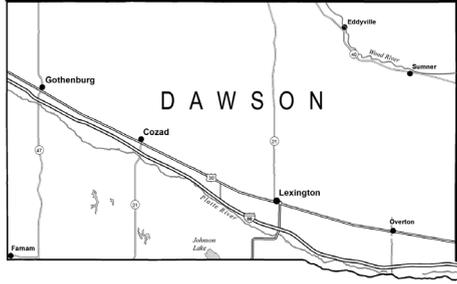
**Towns and Population**

**(2013):** Cozad, 3,945; Eddyville, 96; Farnam, 170; Gothenburg, 3,561; Lexington, 10,213; Overton, 589; Sumner, 235

**Public School Districts**

**(2014):** Cozad City Schools: Cozad and Willow Island; Gothenburg Public Schools: Gothenburg and Willow Island; Lexington Public Schools: Lexington; Overton Public Schools: Overton; Sumner-Eddyville-Miller School: Eddyville, Miller, Oconto and Sumner

**Website:** [www.dawsoncne.com](http://www.dawsoncne.com)



### Deuel County

**Land Area:** 440 square miles

**Population (2013):** 1,937

**County Seat:** Chappell

**County Clerk Address:** P.O. Box 327, Chappell, NE 69129, phone (308) 874-3308

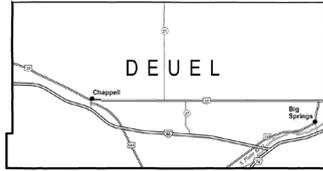
**Towns and Population (2013):** Big Springs,

406; Chappell, 943

**Public School Districts (2014):** Creek Valley

Schools: Chappell, Lodgepole and Sunol; South Platte Public Schools: Big Springs

**Website:** [www.co.deuel.ne.us](http://www.co.deuel.ne.us)



## Nebraska Counties, Towns and Schools (Cont'd.)



### Dixon County

**Land Area:** 476 square miles

**Population (2013):** 5,851

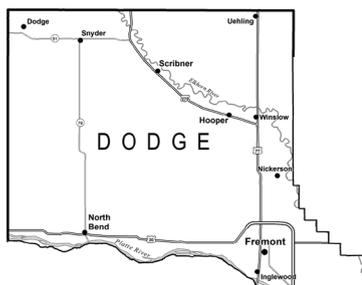
**County Seat:** Ponca

**County Clerk Address:** P.O. Box 546, 302 W. Third St., Ponca, NE 68770, phone (402) 755-5602

**Towns and Population (2013):** Allen, 370; Concord, 164; Dixon, 86; Emerson,<sup>9</sup> 830; Martinsburg, 93; Maskell, 75; Newcastle, 321; Ponca, 955; Wakefield,<sup>10</sup> 1,422; Waterbury, 72

**Public School Districts (2014):** Allen Consolidated Schools: Allen, Dixon, Martinsburg and Waterbury; Emerson-Hubbard Public Schools: Emerson and Hubbard; Newcastle Public Schools: Maskell, Newcastle and Obert; Ponca Public Schools: Jackson, Martinsburg, Ponca and Waterbury

**Website:** [www.co.dixon.ne.us](http://www.co.dixon.ne.us)



### Dodge County

**Land Area:** 535 square miles

**Population (2013):** 36,515

**County Seat:** Fremont

**County Clerk Address:** 435 N. Park, Room 102, Fremont, NE 68025, phone (402) 727-2767

**Towns and Population (2013):** Dodge, 610; Fremont, 26,167; Hooper, 823; Inglewood, 321; Nickerson, 365; North Bend, 1,197; Scribner, 854; Snyder, 299; Uehling, 229; Winslow, 107

**Public School Districts (2014):** Dodge Public Schools: Dodge; Fremont Public Schools: Fremont and Inglewood; Logan View Public Schools: Hooper, Nickerson, Uehling and Winslow; North Bend Central Public Schools: Ames, Morse Bluff, North Bend and Rogers; Scribner-Snyder Community Schools: Scribner and Snyder

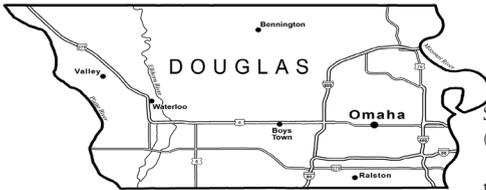
**Private Schools (2014):** Archbishop Bergan Elementary, Fremont; Archbishop Bergan Schools, Fremont; St. Wenceslaus Elementary School, Dodge; Trinity Lutheran Elementary Schools, Fremont

**Website:** [www.dodgecounty.ne.gov](http://www.dodgecounty.ne.gov)

<sup>9</sup>The village of Emerson is in Dixon, Dakota and Thurston counties.

<sup>10</sup>The village of Wakefield is in both Dixon and Wayne counties.

## Nebraska Counties, Towns and Schools (Cont'd.)



### Douglas County

**Land Area:** 331 square miles

**Population (2013):** 537,256

**County Seat:** Omaha

**County Clerk Address:** 1819 Farnham St., Room H08, Omaha, NE 68183, phone (402) 444-6767

**Towns and Population (2013):** Bennington, 1,472; Boys Town, 671; Omaha, 421,570; Ralston, 7,187; Valley, 1,966; Waterloo, 864

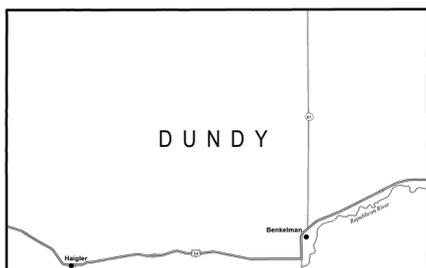
**Public School Districts (2014):** Bennington Public Schools: Bennington and Washington; Douglas West Community Schools: Valley, Venice and Waterloo; Elkhorn Public Schools: Elkhorn and Omaha; Millard Public Schools: Boys Town, Chalco and Omaha; Omaha Public Schools: Bellevue, Boys Town and Omaha; Ralston Public Schools: Bellevue, La Vista, Omaha and Ralston; Westside Community Schools: Omaha

**State-Supported School (2014):** Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility

**Private Schools (2014):** All Saints Catholic School, Omaha; Apollos Preparatory School, Omaha; Assumption-Guadalupe Catholic School, Omaha; Blessed Sacrament Elementary School, Omaha; Boys Town Schools, Boys Town; Brownell Talbot Schools, Omaha; Children's Room, Omaha; Christ The King Catholic School, Omaha; Creighton Preparatory School, Omaha; Duchesne Academy, Omaha; Friedel Jewish Academy, Omaha; Gethsemane Lutheran Elementary, Omaha; Good Shepherd Elementary School, Omaha; Holy Cross Catholic School, Omaha; Holy Ghost Elementary School, Omaha; Holy Name Elementary School, Omaha; The Jesuit Middle School of Omaha, Omaha; Madonna School, Omaha; Marian High School, Omaha; Mary Our Queen Elementary School, Omaha; Mercy High School, Omaha; Montessori Educational Centers, Omaha; Montessori Learning Center of Dundee, Omaha; Montessori Parent's Co-op, Omaha; Montessori Schools of Omaha, Omaha; Mt. Calvary Lutheran Elementary School, Omaha; Mt. Michael Benedictine High School, Elkhorn; Omaha Christian Academy, Omaha; Omaha Hearing School for Children, Omaha; Omaha Memorial School of Seventh-day Adventists, Omaha; Our Lady of Lourdes Elementary School, Omaha; Phoenix Academy Day Schools, Omaha; Primrose School of Legacy, Omaha; Roncalli Catholic High School, Omaha; Sacred Heart Elementary School, Omaha; Skutt Catholic High School, Omaha; St. Bernard Elementary School, Omaha; St. Cecilia Cathedral School, Omaha; St. Gerald Elementary School, Ralston; St. James-Seton Elementary School, Omaha; St. Joan of Arc Elementary School, Omaha; St. Margaret Mary Elementary School, Omaha; St. Patrick's Catholic School, Elkhorn; St. Paul Lutheran Elementary School, Omaha; St. Peter Claver Cristo Rey High, Omaha; St. Philip Neri Elementary School, Omaha; St. Pius X/St. Leo Elementary School, Omaha; St. Richard Elementary School, Omaha; St. Robert Bellarmine Elementary School, Omaha; St. Stanislaus Elementary School, Omaha; St. Stephen the Martyr School, Omaha; St. Thomas More Elementary School, Omaha; St. Vincent de Paul Elementary School, Omaha; St. Wenceslaus School, Omaha; Sts. Peter and Paul Elementary School, Omaha; Trinity Christian School, Omaha; Wider Omaha Lutheran School, Omaha

**Website:** [www.douglascounty-ne.gov](http://www.douglascounty-ne.gov)

## Nebraska Counties, Towns and Schools (Cont'd.)



### Dundy County

**Land Area:** 920 square miles

**Population (2013):** 1,981

**County Seat:** Benkelman

**County Clerk Address:** P.O.

Box 506, 112 Seventh Ave. West,  
Benkelman, NE 69021, phone (308)  
423-2058

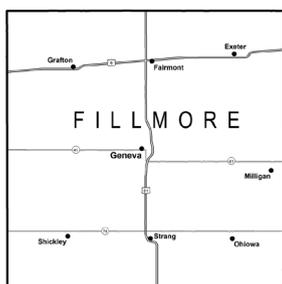
**Towns and Population (2013):**

Benkelman, 952; Haigler, 165

**Public School Districts**

(2014): Dundy County - Straton  
Public Schools: Benkelman, Haigler,  
Max and Parks

**Website:** [www.co.dundy.ne.us](http://www.co.dundy.ne.us)



### Fillmore County

**Land Area:** 577 square miles

**Population (2013):** 5,698

**County Seat:** Geneva

**County Clerk Address:** P.O. Box 307, 900 G St.,  
Geneva, NE 68361, phone (402) 759-4931

**Towns and Population (2013):** Exeter, 577; Fairmont, 546; Geneva, 2,172; Grafton, 123; Milligan, 275; Ohiowa, 113; Shickley, 333; Strang, 28

**Public School Districts (2014):** Exeter-Milligan Public  
Schools: Cordova, Exeter and Milligan; Fillmore Central  
Public Schools: Geneva, Grafton and Fairmont, Ohiowa and  
Strang; Shickley Public Schools: Ong, Shickley and Strang

**State-Supported School (2014):** Geneva North School, Geneva

**Private School (2014):** Grace Lutheran Elementary School, Geneva

**Website:** [www.fillmorecounty.org](http://www.fillmorecounty.org)



### Franklin County

**Land Area:** 576 square miles

**Population (2013):** 3,085

**County Seat:** Franklin

**County Clerk Address:** P.O. Box 146, Franklin, NE  
68939, phone (308) 425-6202

**Towns and Population (2013):** Bloomington, 103;  
Campbell, 339; Franklin, 983; Hildreth, 372; Naponee, 106;  
Riverton, 89; Upland, 142

**Public School Districts (2014):** Franklin Public  
Schools: Bloomington, Franklin, Naponee and Riverton

**Website:** [www.co.franklin.ne.us](http://www.co.franklin.ne.us)

## Nebraska Counties, Towns and Schools (Cont'd.)

### Frontier County

**Land Area:** 975 square miles

**Population (2013):** 2,709

**County Seat:** Stockville

**County Clerk Address:**

P.O. Box 40, Stockville, NE 69042, phone (308) 367-8641

**Towns and Population (2013):** Curtis, 935; Eustis, 396;

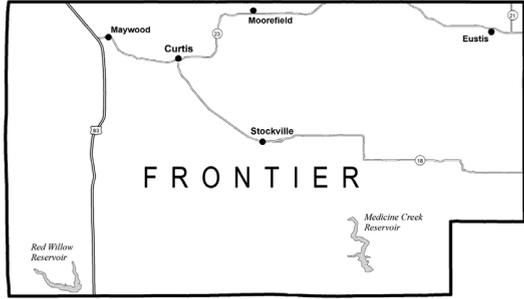
Maywood, 260; Moorefield, 32; Stockville, 25

**Public School Districts**

**(2014):** Eustis-Farnam Public Schools: Eustis, Farnam and

Willow Island; Maywood Public Schools: Maywood, Stockville and Wellfleet; Medicine Valley Public Schools: Curtis, Moorefield and Wellfleet

**Website:** [www.co.frontier.ne.us](http://www.co.frontier.ne.us)



### Furnas County

**Land Area:** 718 square miles

**Population (2013):** 4,865

**County Seat:** Beaver City

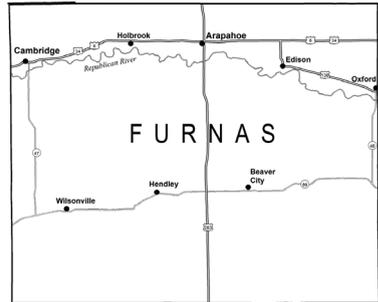
**County Clerk Address:** P.O. Box 387, 912 R St., Beaver City, NE 68926, phone (308) 268-4145

**Towns and Population (2013):** Arapahoe, 1,018; Beaver City, 603; Cambridge, 1,051; Edison, 132; Hendley, 24; Holbrook, 204; Oxford,<sup>11</sup> 773; Wilsonville, 93

**Public School Districts (2014):** Arapahoe

Public Schools: Arapahoe, Edison and Holbrook; Cambridge Public Schools: Cambridge and Holbrook; Southern Valley Schools: Beaver City, Hendley, Orleans and Oxford

**Website:** [www.furnascounty.ne.gov](http://www.furnascounty.ne.gov)



### Gage County

**Land Area:** 855 square miles

**Population (2013):** 21,864

**County Seat:** Beatrice

**County Clerk Address:** P.O. Box 429, 612 Grant St., Beatrice, NE 68310, phone (402) 223-1300

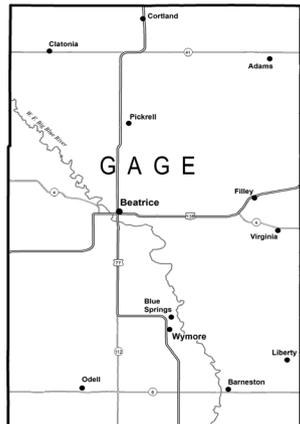
**Towns and Population (2013):** Adams, 574; Barneston, 114; Beatrice, 12,147; Blue Springs, 324; Clatonia, 226; Cortland, 472; Filley, 129; Liberty, 75; Odell, 300; Pickrell, 195; Virginia, 59; Wymore, 1,413

**Public School Districts (2014):** Beatrice Public Schools:

Beatrice and Pickrell; Diller-Odell Public Schools: Barneston, Diller, Odell and Steele City; Freeman Public Schools: Adams and Filley; Southern School District 1: Barneston, Blue Springs, Holmesville, Liberty and Wymore

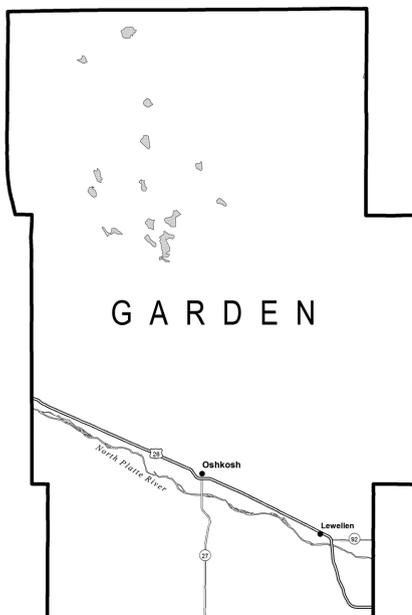
**Private Schools (2014):** St. Joseph Elementary School, Beatrice; St. Paul's Lutheran Elementary School, Beatrice

**Website:** [www.gagecountynebraska.us](http://www.gagecountynebraska.us)



<sup>11</sup>The village of Oxford is in both Furnas and Harlan counties.

## Nebraska Counties. Towns and Schools (Cont'd.)



### Garden County

**Land Area:** 1,705 square miles

**Population (2013):** 1,902

**County Seat:** Oshkosh

**County Clerk Address:** P.O. Box 350,  
611 Main St., Oshkosh, NE 69154, phone  
(308) 772-3924

**Towns and Population (2013):**  
Lewellen, 215; Oshkosh, 841

**Public School Districts (2014):**  
Garden County Schools: Cisco, Lewellen,  
Lisco and Oshkosh

**Website:** [www.co.garden.ne.us](http://www.co.garden.ne.us)



### Garfield County

**Land Area:** 570 square miles

**Population (2013):** 2,035

**County Seat:** Burwell

**County Clerk Address:** P.O. Box 218, 250  
S. Eighth Ave., Burwell, NE 68823, phone (308)  
346-4161

**Town and Population (2013):** Burwell, 1,193  
**Public School Districts (2014):** Burwell Public  
Schools

**Website:** [www.garfieldcounty.ne.gov](http://www.garfieldcounty.ne.gov)

## Nebraska Counties, Towns and Schools (Cont'd.)

### Gosper County

**Land Area:** 458 square miles

**Population (2013):** 1,972

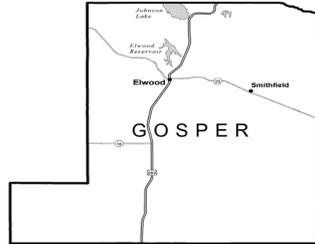
**County Seat:** Elwood

**County Clerk Address:** P.O. Box 136, Elwood, NE 68937, phone (308) 785-2611

**Towns and Population (2013):** Elwood, 699; Smithfield, 53

**Public School Districts (2014):** Elwood Public Schools: Elwood

**Website:** [www.co.gosper.ne.us](http://www.co.gosper.ne.us)



### Grant County

**Land Area:** 776 square miles

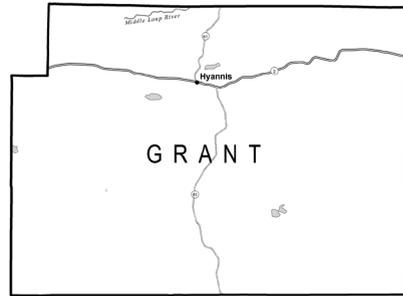
**Population (2013):** 633

**County Seat:** Hyannis

**County Clerk Address:** P.O. Box 139, Hyannis, NE 69350, phone (308) 458-2488

**Towns and Population (2013):** Hyannis, 186

**Public School Districts (2014):** Hyannis Area Schools: Ashby, Bingham, Ellsworth, Hyannis and Whitman



### Greeley County

**Land Area:** 570 square miles

**Population (2013):** 2,494

**County Seat:** Greeley

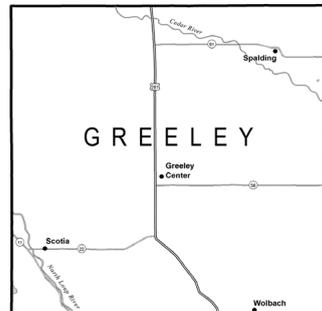
**County Clerk Address:** P.O. Box 287, Greeley, NE 68842, phone (308) 428-3625

**Towns and Population (2013):** Greeley Center, 453; Scotia, 306; Spalding, 469; Wolbach, 270

**Public School Districts (2014):** Greeley-Wolbach Public Schools: Greeley and Wolbach; North Loup Scotia Public Schools: Cotesfield, North Loup and Scotia; Spalding Public: Spalding

**Private School (2014):** Spalding Academy, Spalding

**Website:** [www.greeleycounty.ne.gov](http://www.greeleycounty.ne.gov)



## Nebraska Counties, Towns and Schools (Cont'd.)



### Hall County

**Land Area:** 546 square miles

**Population (2013):** 60,720

**County Seat:** Grand Island

**County Clerk Address:** 121 S. Pine St., Suite 8, Grand Island, NE 68801, phone (308) 385-5085

**Towns and Population (2013):** Alda, 657; Cairo, 804; Doniphan, 849; Grand Island, 49,989; Wood River, 1,365

**Public School Districts (2014):** Doniphan-Trumbull Public Schools: Doniphan and Trumbull; Grand Island Public Schools: Grand Island; Northwest Public Schools: Chapman, Grand Island and St. Libory; Wood River Rural Schools: Alda and Wood River

**Private Schools (2014):** Central Catholic Schools, Grand Island; Christ Lutheran Elementary School, Grand Island; Heartland Lutheran High School, Grand Island; New Hope Christian Elementary School, Cairo; Platte Valley Academy School, Shelton; Trinity Lutheran Elementary School, Grand Island

**Website:** [www.hallcountyne.gov](http://www.hallcountyne.gov)

Island; Grand Island Christian School, Grand Island; Heartland Lutheran High School, Grand Island; New Hope Christian Elementary School, Cairo; Platte Valley Academy School, Shelton; Trinity Lutheran Elementary School, Grand Island

### Hamilton County

**Land Area:** 544 square miles

**Population (2013):** 9,112

**County Seat:** Aurora

**County Clerk Address:** 1111 13th St., Suite 1, Aurora, NE 68818, phone (402) 694-3443

**Towns and Population (2013):** Aurora, 4,417; Giltner, 342; Hampton, 418; Hordville, 143; Marquette, 226; Phillips, 283; Stockham, 43

**Public School Districts (2014):** Aurora Public Schools, Aurora, Marquette, Phillips and Stockham; Giltner Public Schools, Giltner; Hampton Public Schools, Hampton

**Private Schools (2014):** Hampton Lutheran Elementary School: Hampton; Immanuel Lutheran Elementary School: Polk

**Website:** [www.co.hamilton.ne.us](http://www.co.hamilton.ne.us)



## Nebraska Counties, Towns and Schools (Cont'd.)

### Harlan County

**Land Area:** 553 square miles

**Population (2013):** 3,513

**County Seat:** Alma

**County Clerk Address:** P.O. Box 698, Alma, NE 68920, phone (308) 928-2173

**Towns and Population (2013):** Alma, 1,132; Huntley, 44; Orleans, 383; Oxford,<sup>12</sup> 773; Ragan, 38; Republican City, 149; Stamford, 182

**Public School District (2014):** Alma Public Schools: Alma, Huntley, Republican City and Stamford

**Website:** [www.harlancounty.ne.gov](http://www.harlancounty.ne.gov)



### Hayes County

**Land Area:** 713 square miles

**Population (2013):** 976

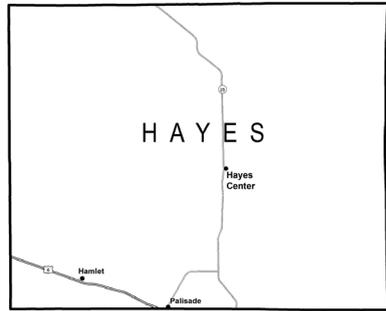
**County Seat:** Hayes Center

**County Clerk Address:** P.O. Box 370, Hayes Center, NE 69032, phone (308) 286-3413

**Towns and Population (2013):** Hamlet, 56; Hayes Center, 212; Palisade,<sup>13</sup> 349

**Public School Districts (2014):** Hayes Center Public Schools: Hayes Center

**Website:** [www.hayescounty.ne.gov](http://www.hayescounty.ne.gov)



### Hitchcock County

**Land Area:** 710 square miles

**Population (2013):** 2,872

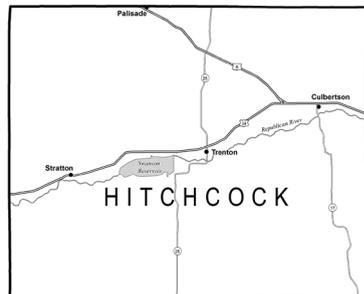
**County Seat:** Trenton

**County Clerk Address:** P.O. Box 248, Trenton, NE 69044, phone (308) 334-5646

**Towns and Population (2013):** Culbertson, 590; Palisade,<sup>13</sup> 349; Stratton, 340; Trenton, 561

**Public School Districts (2014):** Hitchcock County Unified School System: Culbertson, Stratton and Trenton

**Website:** [www.hitchcockcounty.ne.gov](http://www.hitchcockcounty.ne.gov)



<sup>12</sup>The village of Oxford is in both Furnas and Harlan counties.

<sup>13</sup>The village of Palisade is in both Hayes and Hitchcock counties.

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## Holt County

**Land Area:** 2,413 square miles

**Population (2013):** 10,449

**County Seat:** O'Neill

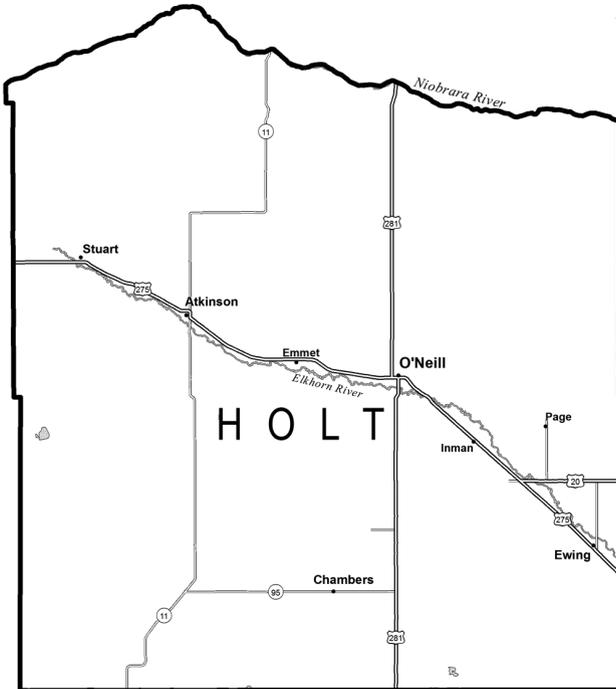
**County Clerk Address:** P.O. Box 329, O'Neill, NE 68763, phone (402) 336-1762

**Towns and Population (2013):** Atkinson, 1,252; Chambers, 267; Emmet, 48; Ewing, 384; Inman, 128; O'Neill, 3,684; Page, 165; Stuart, 585

**Public School Districts (2014):** Chambers Public Schools: Amelia and Chambers; Ewing Public Schools: Ewing, Inman and Page; O'Neill Public Schools: Emmet, Inman, O'Neill and Page; Stuart Public Schools: Stuart; West Holt Public Schools: Atkinson

**Private Schools (2014):** St. Boniface Elementary School, Stuart; St. Joseph's Elementary School, Atkinson; St. Mary's Schools, O'Neill

**Website:** [www.co.holt.ne.us](http://www.co.holt.ne.us)



## Nebraska Counties, Towns and Schools (Cont'd.)

### Hooker County

**Land Area:** 721 square miles

**Population (2013):** 738

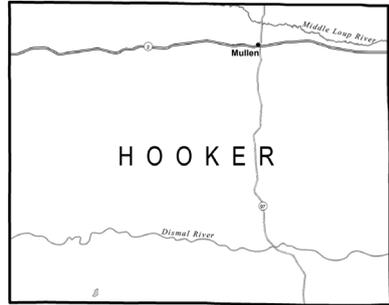
**County Seat:** Mullen

**County Clerk Address:** P.O. Box 184, 303 NW First St., Mullen, NE 69152, phone (308) 546-2244

**Town and Population (2013):** Mullen, 500

**Public School District (2014):** Mullen Public Schools: Mullen and Seneca

**Website:** [www.co.hooker.ne.us](http://www.co.hooker.ne.us)



### Howard County

**Land Area:** 570 square miles

**Population (2013):** 6,355

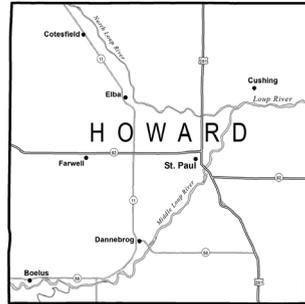
**County Seat:** St. Paul

**County Clerk Address:** P.O. Box 25, St. Paul, NE 68873, phone (308) 754-4343

**Towns and Population (2013):** Cotesfield, 46; Cushing, 32; Dannebrog, 306; Elba, 214; Farwell, 122; Howard City (Boelus), 189; St. Paul, 2,322

**Public School Districts (2014):** Centura Public Schools: Boelus, Cairo and Dannebrog; Elba Public Schools: Cotesfield and Elba; St. Paul Public Schools: Cushing, Farwell and St. Paul

**Website:** [www.howardcounty.ne.gov](http://www.howardcounty.ne.gov)



### Jefferson County

**Land Area:** 573 square miles

**Population (2013):** 7,560

**County Seat:** Fairbury

**County Clerk Address:** 411 Fourth St., Fairbury, NE 68352, phone (402) 729-6818

**Towns and Population (2013):** Daykin, 168; Diller, 260; Endicott, 132; Fairbury, 3,916; Harbine, 49; Jansen, 118; Plymouth, 404; Reynolds, 69; Steele City, 61

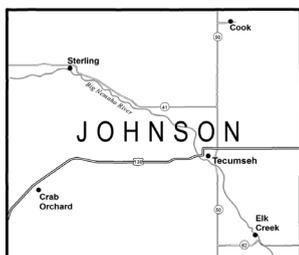
**Public School Districts (2014):** Fairbury Public Schools: Endicott, Fairbury, Gladstone, Harbine, Jansen and Reynolds; Meridian Public Schools: Alexandria, Daykin, Tobias and Western; Tri County Public Schools: Beatrice, DeWitt, Plymouth, Swanton and Western

**Private Schools (2014):** St. Michael's Elementary School, Fairbury; St. Paul's Lutheran Elementary School, Plymouth

**Website:** [www.co.jefferson.ne.us](http://www.co.jefferson.ne.us)



## Nebraska Counties, Towns and Schools (Cont'd.)



### Johnson County

**Land Area:** 376 square miles

**Population (2013):** 5,144

**County Seat:** Tecumseh

**County Clerk Address:** P.O. Box 416, Tecumseh, NE 68450, phone (402) 335-6300

**Towns and Population (2013):** Cook, 317; Crab Orchard, 38; Elk Creek, 97; Sterling, 470; Tecumseh, 1,661

**Public School Districts (2014):** Johnson County Central Public Schools: Burr, Cook, Elk Creek, Lorton, St. Mary, Talmage and Tecumseh, Sterling Public Schools: Burr, Crab Orchard, Douglas, St. Mary and Sterling

**Private School (2014):** St. Andrew Elementary School, Tecumseh

**Website:** [www.co.johnson.ne.us](http://www.co.johnson.ne.us)



### Kearney County

**Land Area:** 516 square miles

**Population (2013):** 6,548

**County Seat:** Minden

**County Clerk Address:** P.O. Box 339, Minden, NE 68959, phone (308) 832-2723

**Towns and Population (2013):** Axtell, 718; Heartwell, 70; Minden, 2,960; Norman, 43; Wilcox, 354

**Public School Districts (2014):** Axtell Community Schools: Axtell; Minden Public Schools: Heartwell, Minden, Norman and Upland; Wilcox-Hildreth Public Schools: Hildreth, Huntley, Ragan and Wilcox

**Website:** [www.kearneycounty.ne.gov](http://www.kearneycounty.ne.gov)



### Keith County

**Land Area:** 1,061 square miles

**Population (2013):** 8,130

**County Seat:** Ogallala

**County Clerk Address:** 511 N. Spruce St., Suite 102, Ogallala, NE 69153, phone (308) 284-4726

**Towns and Population (2013):** Brule, 319; Ogallala, 4,649; Paxton, 512

**Public School Districts (2014):** Ogallala Public Schools: Keystone, Lemoyne, Ogallala and Roscoe; Paxton Consolidated Schools: Paxton

**Private Schools (2014):** St.

Luke Elementary School, Ogallala; St. Paul's Lutheran Elementary School, Ogallala

**Website:** [www.co.keith.ne.us](http://www.co.keith.ne.us)

## Nebraska Counties, Towns and Schools (Cont'd.)

### Keya Paha County

**Land Area:** 773 square miles

**Population (2013):** 790

**County Seat:** Springview

**County Clerk Address:** P.O. Box 349, Springview, NE 68778, phone (402) 497-3791

**Towns and Population (2013):** Burton, 10; Springview, 235

**Public School Districts (2014):** Keya Paha County Schools: Burton, Mills, Norden and Springview

**Website:** [www.co.keya-paha.ne.us](http://www.co.keya-paha.ne.us)



### Kimball County

**Land Area:** 952 square miles

**Population (2013):** 3,702

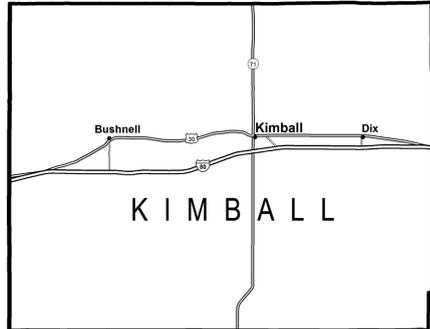
**County Seat:** Kimball

**County Clerk Address:** 114 E. Third St., Suite 6, Kimball, NE 69145, phone (308) 235-2241

**Towns and Population (2013):** Bushnell, 124; Dix, 255; Kimball, 2,465

**Public School District (2014):** Kimball Public Schools, Bushnell and Kimball

**Website:** [www.co.kimball.ne.us](http://www.co.kimball.ne.us)



## Nebraska Counties, Towns and Schools (Cont'd.)

### Knox County

**Land Area:** 1,108 square miles

**Population (2013):** 8,565

**County Seat:** Center

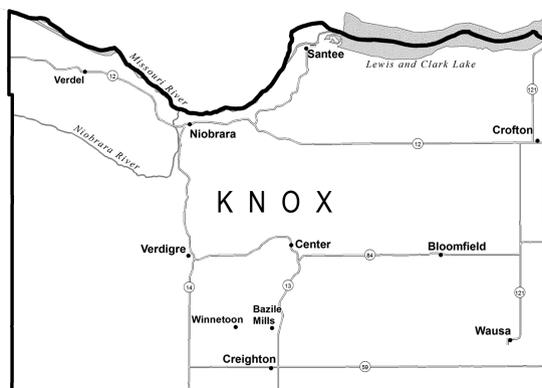
**County Clerk Address:** P.O. Box 166, 206 Main St., Center, NE 68724, phone (402) 288-5604

**Towns and Population (2013):** Bazile Mills, 29; Bloomfield, 1,007; Center, 94; Creighton, 1,132; Crofton, 710; Niobrara, 363; Santee, 346; Verdel, 30; Verdigre, 563; Wausa, 623; Winnetoon, 67

**Public School Districts (2014):** Bloomfield Community Schools: Bloomfield and Center; Creighton Public Schools: Bazile Mills, Center, Creighton and Winnetoon; Crofton Community Schools: Aten, Crofton and South Yankton; Niobrara Public Schools: Niobrara and Verdel; Santee Community Schools: Santee; Wausa Public Schools: Magnet and Wausa

**Private Schools (2014):** St. Ludger Elementary School, Creighton; St. Rose of Lima Elementary School, Crofton

**Website:** [www.co.knox.ne.us](http://www.co.knox.ne.us)



## Nebraska Counties, Towns and Schools (Cont'd.)

### Lancaster County

**Land Area:** 839 square miles

**Population (2013):** 297,036

**County Seat:** Lincoln

**County Clerk Address:** 555 S. 10th St., Room 108,  
Lincoln, NE 68508, phone (402) 441-7481

**Towns and Population (2013):** Bennet, 792; Davey, 156; Denton, 193; Firth, 573; Hallam, 216; Hickman, 1,793; Lincoln, 265,404; Malcolm, 393; Panama, 276; Raymond, 178; Roca, 237; Sprague, 144; Waverly, 3,539

**Public School Districts (2014):** Lincoln Public School: Emerald and Lincoln; Malcolm Public Schools: Emerald and Malcolm; Norris School District 160: Cortland, Firth, Hickman, Panama, Princeton, Roca and Sprague; Raymond Central Public Schools: Ceresco, Davey, Raymond and Valparaiso; Waverly School District 145: Alvo, Davey, Eagle, Walton and Waverly

**State-Supported School (2014):** University of Nebraska-Lincoln Independent Study High School, Lincoln

**Private Schools (2014):** Berniklau Education Solutions Team, Lincoln; Blessed Sacrament Elementary School, Lincoln; Cathedral of the Risen Christ Elementary School, Lincoln; Child View Montessori, Lincoln; Children's Circle Montessori, Lincoln; Christ Elementary School, Lincoln; Faith Lutheran School, Lincoln; Good Shepherd Lutheran School, Lincoln; Lincoln Christian Schools, Lincoln; Lincoln Lutheran Middle School-Senior High School, Lincoln; Messiah Lutheran Elementary School, Lincoln; North American Martyrs School, Lincoln; Parkview Christian Schools, Lincoln; Pius X High School, Lincoln; Prairie Hill Learning Center, Roca; Sacred Heart Elementary School, Lincoln; Seventh-day Adventist Schools of Lincoln, Lincoln; St. John's Elementary School, Lincoln; St. Joseph's Catholic School, Lincoln; St. Mark Elementary School, Lincoln; St. Mary's Elementary School, Lincoln; St. Patrick's Elementary School, Lincoln; St. Peter's Catholic School, Lincoln; St. Teresa Elementary School, Lincoln; George Stone Elementary Seventh-day Adventist School, Lincoln; Trinity Kindergarten Program, Lincoln; Trinity Lutheran Elementary School, Lincoln; Villa Marie School, Waverly

**Website:** [www.lancaster.ne.gov](http://www.lancaster.ne.gov)



# Nebraska Counties, Towns and Schools (Cont'd.)

## Lincoln County

**Land Area:** 2,564 square miles

**Population (2013):** 36,051

**County Seat:** North Platte

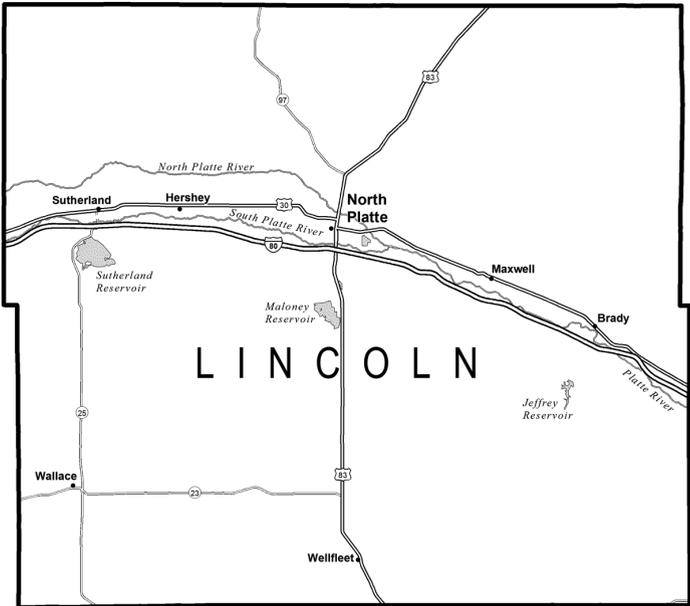
**County Clerk Address:** 301 N. Jeffers St., Room 101, North Platte, NE 69101, (308) 534-4350

**Towns and Population (2013):** Brady, 425; Hershey, 660; Maxwell, 308; North Platte, 24,592; Sutherland, 1,361; Wallace, 361; Wellfleet, 77

**Public School Districts (2014):** Brady Public Schools: Brady; Hershey Public Schools: Hershey and Sutherland; Maxwell Public Schools: Maxwell; North Platte Public Schools: North Platte; Sutherland Public Schools: Sutherland; Wallace Public School District 65 R: Dickens, Grinton and Wallace

**Private Schools (2014):** North Platte Catholic Schools, North Platte; Our Redeemer Lutheran Elementary School, North Platte; Platte Valley Christian Academy, North Platte

**Website:** [www.co.lincoln.ne.us](http://www.co.lincoln.ne.us)



## Nebraska Counties, Towns and Schools (Cont'd.)

### Logan County

**Land Area:** 571 square miles

**Population (2013):** 763

**County Seat:** Stapleton

**County Clerk Address:** P.O. Box 8, Stapleton, NE 69163, phone (308) 636-2311

**Towns and Population (2013):** Gandy, 32; Stapleton, 306

**Public School District (2014):** Stapleton Public Schools: Gandy and Stapleton



### Loup County

**Land Area:** 570 square miles

**Population (2013):** 576

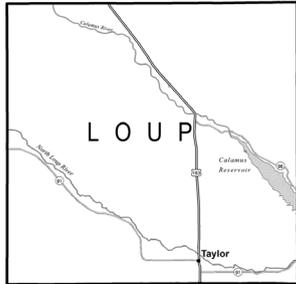
**County Seat:** Taylor

**County Clerk Address:** P.O. Box 187, 408 Fourth St., Taylor, NE 68879, phone (308) 942-3135

**Town and Population (2013):** Taylor, 179

**Public School District (2014):** Loup County Public Schools: Almeria and Taylor

**Website:** [www.co.loup.ne.us](http://www.co.loup.ne.us)



### Madison County

**Land Area:** 573 square miles

**Population (2013):** 35,278

**County Seat:** Madison

**County Clerk Address:** P.O. Box 290, 1313 N. Main St., Madison, NE 68748, phone (402) 454-3311

**Towns and Population (2013):** Battle Creek, 1,210; Madison, 2,427; Meadow Grove, 300; Newman Grove,<sup>14</sup> 722; Norfolk, 24,332; Tilden,<sup>15</sup> 951

**Public School Districts (2014):** Battle Creek Public Schools: Battle Creek and Norfolk; Elkhorn Valley Schools: Meadow Grove and Tilden; Madison Public Schools: Creston and Madison; Newman Grove Public Schools: Lindsay and Newman Grove; Norfolk Public Schools: Hoskins and Norfolk

**Private Schools (2014):** Christ Lutheran Elementary School, Norfolk; Keystone Christian Academy, Norfolk; Lutheran High Northeast, Norfolk; Norfolk Catholic Schools, Norfolk; Park Avenue Christian School, Norfolk; St. John's Lutheran Elementary School, Battle Creek; St. Leonard's Elementary School, Madison; St. Paul Lutheran Elementary School, Norfolk; Trinity Lutheran Elementary School, Madison

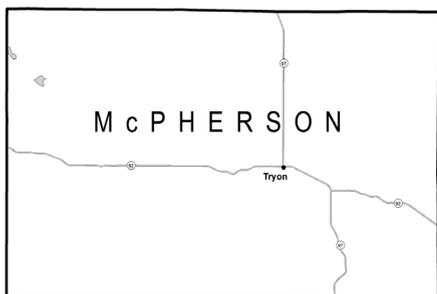
**Website:** [www.madisoncountyne.com](http://www.madisoncountyne.com)



<sup>14</sup>The city of Newman Grove is in both Madison and Platte counties.

<sup>15</sup>The city of Tilden is in both Madison and Antelope counties.

## Nebraska Counties, Towns and Schools (Cont'd.)



### McPherson County

**Land Area:** 859 square miles

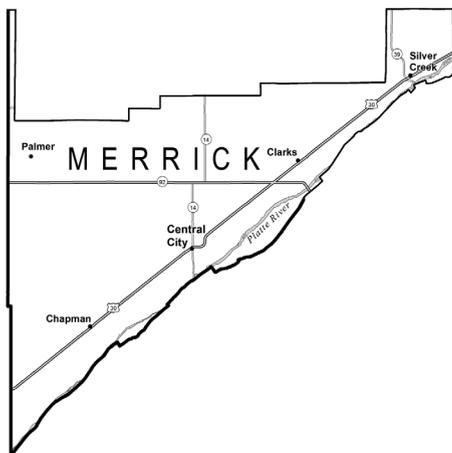
**Population (2013):** 526

**County Seat:** Tryon

**County Clerk Address:** P.O. Box 122, Tryon, NE 69167, phone (308) 587-2363

**Town and Population (2013):** Tryon, unincorporated

**Public School Districts (2014):** McPherson County Schools: Tryon



### Merrick County

**Land Area:** 485 square miles

**Population (2013):** 7,802

**County Seat:** Central City

**County Clerk Address:** P.O. Box 27, 1510 18th St., Central City, NE 68826, phone (308) 946-2881

**Towns and Population (2013):** Central City, 2,915; Chapman, 284; Clarks, 360; Palmer, 469; Silver Creek, 360

**Public School Districts (2014):** Central City Public Schools: Archer and Central City; Palmer Public Schools: Palmer

**Private Schools (2014):** Nebraska Christian Schools, Central City; Zion Lutheran Elementary School, St. Libory

**Website:** [www.merrickcounty.ne.gov](http://www.merrickcounty.ne.gov)

## Nebraska Counties, Towns and Schools (Cont'd.)

### Morrill County

**Land Area:** 1,424 square miles

**Population (2013):** 4,908

**County Seat:** Bridgeport

**County Clerk Address:** P.O. Box 610, Bridgeport, NE 69336, phone (308) 262-0860

**Towns and Population (2013):** Bayard, 1,170; Bridgeport, 1,511; Broadwater, 124

**Public School Districts (2014):** Bayard Public Schools: Bayard and McGrew; Bridgeport Public Schools: Angora, Bridgeport and Broadwater

**Website:** [www.morrillcounty.ne.gov](http://www.morrillcounty.ne.gov)



### Nance County

**Land Area:** 441 square miles

**Population (2013):** 3,623

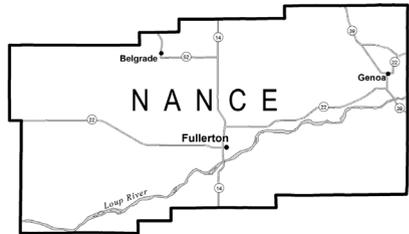
**County Seat:** Fullerton

**County Clerk Address:** P.O. Box 338, 209 Esther St., Fullerton, NE 68638, phone (308) 536-2331

**Towns and Population (2013):** Belgrade, 124; Fullerton, 1,302; Genoa, 994

**Public School Districts (2014):** Fullerton Public Schools: Fullerton; Twin River Public Schools: Genoa, Monroe and Silver Creek

**Website:** [www.co.nance.ne.us](http://www.co.nance.ne.us)



### Nemaha County

**Land Area:** 409 square miles

**Population (2013):** 7,157

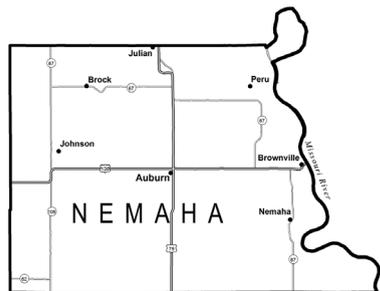
**County Seat:** Auburn

**County Clerk Address:** 1824 N St., Suite 201, Auburn, NE 68305, phone (402) 274-4213

**Towns and Population (2013):** Auburn, 3,419; Brock, 111; Brownville, 131; Johnson, 327; Julian, 58; Nemaha, 147; Peru, 848

**Public School Districts (2014):** Auburn Public Schools: Auburn, Brownville, Howe, Julian and Peru; Johnson-Brock Public Schools: Johnson and Brock

**Website:** [www.nemahacounty.ne.gov](http://www.nemahacounty.ne.gov)



## Nebraska Counties, Towns and Schools (Cont'd.)



### Nuckolls County

**Land Area:** 575 square miles

**Population (2013):** 4,413

**County Seat:** Nelson

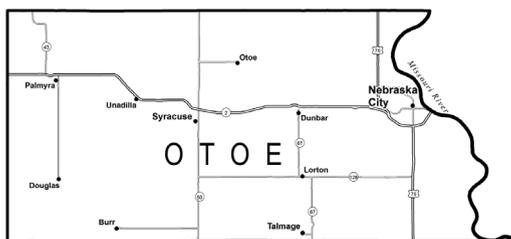
**County Clerk Address:** P.O. Box 366, 150 S. Main St., Nelson, NE 68961, phone (402) 225-4361

**Towns and Population (2013):** Hardy, 157; Lawrence, 301; Nelson, 479; Nora, 21; Oak, 65; Ruskin, 122; Superior, 1,933

**Public School District (2014):** South Central Nebraska Unified System 5: Fairfield, Guide Rock, Hardy, Lawrence, Nelson, Nora and Oak; Superior Public Schools: Superior

**Private School (2014):** Sacred Heart Elementary School, Lawrence

**Website:** [www.nuckollscounty.ne.gov](http://www.nuckollscounty.ne.gov)



### Otoe County

**Land Area:** 616 square miles

**Population (2013):** 15,752

**County Seat:** Nebraska City

**County Clerk Address:** P.O. Box 249, 1021 Central Ave., Room 102, Nebraska City, NE 68410, phone (402) 873-9505

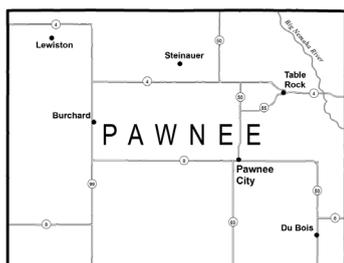
**Towns and Population (2013):** Burr, 57; Douglas, 173; Dunbar, 187; Lorton, 41; Nebraska City, 7,277;

Otoe, 171; Palmyra, 546; Syracuse, 1,947; Talmage, 233; Unadilla, 310

**Public School Districts (2014):** Nebraska City Public Schools: Nebraska City and Union; Palmyra District O R 1: Bennet, Douglas and Palmyra; Syracuse-Dunbar-Avoca Schools: Avoca, Burr, Dunbar, Otoe, Syracuse and Unadilla

**Private School (2014):** Nebraska City Lourdes Central, Nebraska City

**Website:** [www.co.otoe.ne.us](http://www.co.otoe.ne.us)



### Pawnee County

**Land Area:** 432 square miles

**Population (2013):** 2,709

**County Seat:** Pawnee City

**County Clerk Address:** P.O. Box 431, 625 Sixth St., Pawnee City, NE 68420, phone (402) 852-2962

**Towns and Population (2013):** Burchard, 81; DuBois, 146; Lewiston, 68; Pawnee City, 866; Steinauer, 75; Table Rock, 268

**Public School Districts (2014):** Lewiston Consolidated Schools: Burchard, Crab Orchard, Lewiston, Liberty and Virginia; Pawnee City Public Schools: DuBois and Pawnee City

**Website:** [www.co.pawnee.ne.us](http://www.co.pawnee.ne.us)

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### Perkins County

**Land Area:** 883 square miles

**Population (2013):** 2,921

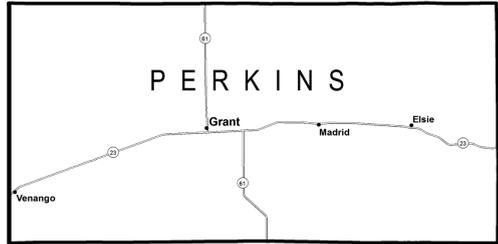
**County Seat:** Grant

**County Clerk Address:** P.O. Box 156, Grant, NE 69140, phone (308) 352-4643

**Towns and Population (2013):** Elsie, 105; Grant, 1,148; Madrid, 231; Venango, 166

**Public School Districts (2014):** Perkins County Schools: Brandon, Elsie, Grant, Madrid and Venango

**Website:** [www.co.perkins.ne.us](http://www.co.perkins.ne.us)



### Phelps County

**Land Area:** 540 square miles

**Population (2013):** 9,213

**County Seat:** Holdrege

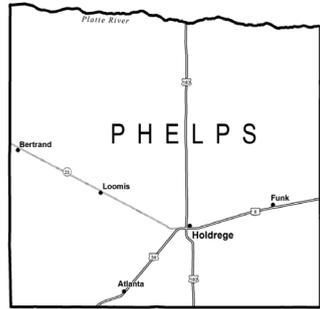
**County Clerk Address:** P.O. Box 404, 715 Fifth Ave., Holdrege, NE 68949, phone (308) 995-4469

**Towns and Population (2013):** Atlanta, 131; Bertrand, 745; Funk, 194; Holdrege, 5,534; Loomis, 379

**Public School Districts (2014):** Bertrand Public Schools: Bertrand and Smithfield; Holdrege Public Schools: Atlanta, Funk and Holdrege; Loomis Public Schools: Loomis

**Private School (2014):** All Saints Catholic School, Holdrege

**Website:** [www.phelpsgov.org](http://www.phelpsgov.org)



### Pierce County

**Land Area:** 574 square miles

**Population (2013):** 7,150

**County Seat:** Pierce

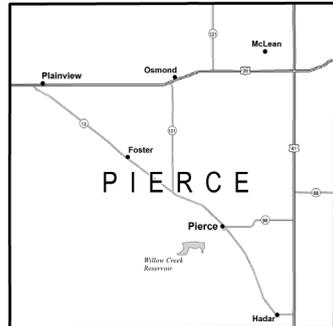
**County Clerk Address:** 111 W. Court, Room 1, Pierce, NE 68767, phone (402) 329-4225

**Towns and Population (2013):** Foster, 50; Hadar, 291; McLean, 36; Osmond, 769; Pierce, 1,745; Plainview, 1,222

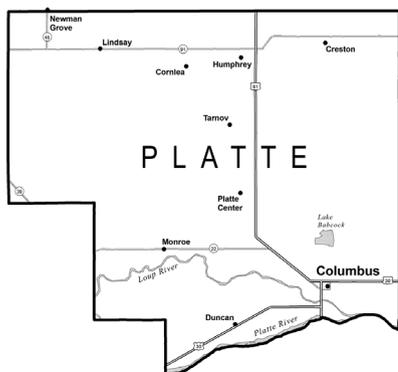
**Public School Districts (2014):** Osmond Public Schools: Foster, McLean and Osmond; Pierce Public Schools: Hadar and Pierce; Plainview Public Schools: Brunswick, Foster and Plainview

**Private Schools (2014):** Immanuel Lutheran Elementary School, Hadar; St. Mary Elementary School, Osmond; Zion Lutheran Elementary School, Pierce; Zion Lutheran Elementary School, Plainview

**Website:** [www.co.pierce.ne.us](http://www.co.pierce.ne.us)



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### Platte Center

**Private Schools (2014):** Christ Lutheran Elementary School, Columbus; Columbus Christian School, Columbus; Holy Family Schools, Lindsay; Immanuel Lutheran Elementary School, Columbus; Scotus Central Catholic, Columbus; St. Anthony Elementary School, Columbus; St. Bonaventure Elementary School, Columbus; St. Francis Schools, Humphrey; St. Isidore Elementary School, Columbus; St. John Lutheran Elementary School, Columbus

**Website:** [www.plattecounty.net](http://www.plattecounty.net)

### Platte County

**Land Area:** 675 square miles

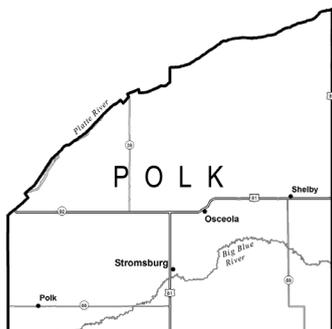
**Population (2013):** 32,505

**County Seat:** Columbus

**County Clerk Address:** P.O. Box 513, 2610 14th St., Columbus, NE 68602, phone (402) 563-4908

**Towns and Population (2013):** Columbus, 22,509; Cornlea, 36; Creston, 204; Duncan, 363; Humphrey, 774; Lindsay, 257; Monroe, 290; Newman Grove,<sup>16</sup> 722; Platte Center, 340; Tarnov, 46

**Public School Districts (2014):** Columbus Public Schools: Columbus and Duncan; Humphrey Public Schools: Cornlea, Creston, Humphrey, Lindsay and Tarnov; Lakeview Community Schools: Columbus, Creston and



### Polk County

**Land Area:** 439 square miles

**Population (2013):** 5,275

**County Seat:** Osceola

**County Clerk Address:** P.O. Box 276, 400 Hawkeye St., Osceola, NE 68651, phone (402) 747-5431

**Towns and Population (2013):** Osceola, 867; Polk, 314; Shelby, 702; Stromsburg, 1,150

**Public School Districts (2014):** Cross County Community Schools: Benedict and Stromsburg; High Plains Community Schools: Clarks, Hordville and Polk; Osceola Public Schools: Osceola; Shelby Public Schools: Shelby and Surprise

**Private Schools (2014):** Polk County Christian School, Osceola

**Website:** [www.polkcounty.ne.gov](http://www.polkcounty.ne.gov)

<sup>16</sup> The city of Newman Grove is in both Platte and Madison counties.

## Nebraska Counties, Towns and Schools (Cont'd.)

### Red Willow County

**Land Area:** 717 square miles

**Population (2013):** 11,006

**County Seat:** McCook

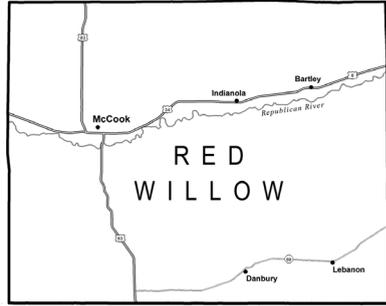
**County Clerk Address:** 502 Norris Ave., McCook, NE 69001, phone (308) 345-1552

**Towns and Population (2013):** Bartley, 281; Danbury, 100; Indianola, 576; Lebanon, 80; McCook, 7,652

**Public School Districts (2014):** McCook Public Schools: McCook and Wilsonville; Southwest Public Schools: Bartley, Danbury, Indianola, Lebanon and Wilsonville

**Private School (2014):** St. Patrick's Elementary School, McCook

**Website:** [www.co.red-willow.ne.us](http://www.co.red-willow.ne.us)



### Richardson County

**Land Area:** 554 square miles

**Population (2013):** 8,125

**County Seat:** Falls City

**County Clerk Address:** 1700 Stone St., Room 203, Falls City, NE 68355, phone (402) 245-2911

**Towns and Population (2013):** Barada, 24; Dawson, 145; Falls City, 4,300; Humboldt, 865; Preston, 28; Rulo, 171; Salem, 111; Shubert, 149; Stella, 151; Verdon, 170

**Public School Districts (2014):** Falls City Public Schools: Barada, Falls City, Preston, Rulo, Salem, and Verdon; Humboldt-Table Rock-Steinauer Public Schools: Dawson, Humboldt, Steinauer and Table Rock; Southeast Nebraska Consolidated Schools: Barada, Nemaha, Shubert and Stella

**Private Schools (2014):** Sacred Heart Schools, Falls City

**Website:** [www.co.richardson.ne.us](http://www.co.richardson.ne.us)



## Nebraska Counties, Towns and Schools (Cont'd.)



### Rock County

**Land Area:** 1,009 square miles

**Population (2013):** 1,411

**County Seat:** Bassett

**County Clerk Address:** P.O. Box 367, 400 S. State St., Bassett, NE 68714, phone (402) 684-3933

**Towns and Population (2013):** Bassett, 557; Newport, 88

**Public School Districts (2014):** Rock County Public Schools: Bassett, Newport and Rose

**Website:** [www.rockcountynebraska.org](http://www.rockcountynebraska.org)



### Saline County

**Land Area:** 575 square miles

**Population (2013):** 14,416

**County Seat:** Wilber

**County Clerk Address:** P.O. Box 865, Wilber, NE 68465, phone (402) 821-2374

**Towns and Population (2013):** Crete, 7,174; DeWitt, 520; Dorchester, 594; Friend, 1,040; Swanton, 96; Tobias, 108; Western, 240; Wilber, 1,897

**Public School Districts (2014):** Crete Public Schools: Crete, Denton, Hallam, Kramer, Martell and Sprague; Dorchester Public Schools: Dorchester; Friend Public Schools: Cordova and Friend; Wilber-Clatonia Public

Schools: Clatonia and Wilber

**Private Schools (2014):** St. James Elementary School, Crete; Zion Lutheran Elementary School, Tobias

**Website:** [www.co.saline.ne.us](http://www.co.saline.ne.us)

## Nebraska Counties, Towns and Schools (Cont'd.)

### Sarpy County

**Land Area:** 241 square miles

**Population (2013):** 169,331

**County Seat:** Papillion

**County Clerk Address:** 1210 Golden Gate Dr., Suite 1250, Papillion, NE 68046, phone (402) 593-4155

**Towns and Population (2013):** Bellevue, 52,604; Gretna, 5,387; La Vista, 17,344; Papillion, 20,785; Springfield, 1,604

**Public School Districts (2014):** Bellevue Public Schools: Bellevue, Offutt Air Force Base and Omaha; Gretna Public Schools: Gretna; Papillion-La Vista Public Schools: Bellevue, Chalco, Offutt Air Force Base, Omaha, Papillion and La Vista; South Sarpy District 46: Richfield and Springfield

**Private Schools (2014):** Bellevue Christian Academy, Bellevue; Cornerstone Christian School, Bellevue; Daniel J. Gross Catholic High School, Bellevue; Pilgrim Lutheran School, Bellevue; St. Bernadette Elementary School, Omaha; St. Columbkille Elementary School, Papillion; St. Mary Elementary School, Bellevue; St. Matthew the Evangelist School, Bellevue

**Website:** [www.sarpy.com](http://www.sarpy.com)



### Saunders County

**Land Area:** 754 square miles

**Population (2013):** 20,929

**County Seat:** Wahoo

**County Clerk Address:** P.O. Box 61, 433 N. Chestnut St., Suite 300, Wahoo, NE 68066, phone (402) 443-8101

**Towns and Population (2013):** Ashland, 2,492; Cedar Bluffs, 601; Ceresco, 896; Colon, 109; Ithaca, 147; Leshara, 111; Malmo, 119; Mead, 563; Memphis, 115; Morse Bluff, 134; Prague, 301; Valparaiso, 562; Wahoo, 4,500; Weston, 318; Yutan, 1,187

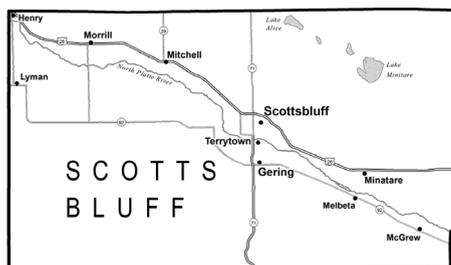
**Public School Districts (2014):** Ashland-Greenwood Public Schools: Ashland, Greenwood and Memphis; Cedar Bluffs Public Schools: Cedar Bluffs; Mead Public Schools: Mead and Memphis; Prague Public Schools: Prague; Wahoo Public Schools: Colon, Ithaca, Malmo, Wahoo and Weston; Yutan Public Schools: Leshara and Yutan

**Private Schools (2014):** Bishop Neumann High School, Wahoo; St. John Nepomucene Elementary School, Weston; St. Wenceslaus Elementary School, Wahoo

**Website:** [www.saunderscounty.ne.gov](http://www.saunderscounty.ne.gov)



## Nebraska Counties, Towns and Schools (Cont'd.)



### Scotts Bluff County

**Land Area:** 739 square miles

**Population (2013):** 36,848

**County Seat:** Gering

**County Clerk Address:** 1825 10th St., Gering, NE 69341, phone (308) 436-6600

**Towns and Population (2013):** Gering, 8,491; Henry, 106; Lyman, 338; McGrew, 105; Melbeta, 112; Minatare, 814; Mitchell, 1,700; Morrill, 925; Scottsbluff, 15,062; Terrytown, 1,199

**Public School Districts (2014):** Gering Public Schools: Gering, Melbeta and Terrytown; Minatare Public Schools: Minatare

Staplehurst; Mitchell Public Schools: Mitchell; Morrill Public Schools: Henry, Lyman and Morrill; Scottsbluff Public Schools: Scottsbluff and Terrytown

**Private Schools (2014):** Community Christian School, Scottsbluff; St. Agnes Elementary School, Scottsbluff; Valley View Seventh-day Adventist School, Scottsbluff

**Website:** [www.scottsbluffcounty.org](http://www.scottsbluffcounty.org)



### Seward County

**Land Area:** 575 square miles

**Population (2013):** 17,089

**County Seat:** Seward

**County Clerk Address:** P.O. Box 190, Seward, NE 68434, phone (402) 643-2883

**Towns and Population (2013):** Beaver Crossing, 402; Bee, 191; Cordova, 137; Garland, 216; Goehner, 154; Milford, 2,156; Pleasant Dale, 211; Seward, 7,043; Staplehurst, 242; Utica, 855

**Public School Districts (2014):** Centennial Public Schools: Beaver Crossing, Cordova, Gresham, Surprise, Thayer, Utica and Waco; Milford Public Schools: Milford and Pleasant Dale; Seward Public Schools: Bee, Garland, Goehner, Seward, Staplehurst, Tamora and Ulysses

**Private Schools (2014):** Our Redeemer Lutheran Elementary School, Staplehurst; St. John Lutheran Schools,

Seward; St. Paul's Lutheran Elementary School, Utica; St. Vincent de Paul Catholic School, Seward

**Website:** [www.connectseward.org/cgov](http://www.connectseward.org/cgov)

## Nebraska Counties, Towns and Schools (Cont'd.)



### Sheridan County

**Land Area:** 2,441 square miles

**Population (2013):** 5,251

**County Seat:** Rushville

**County Clerk Address:** P.O.

Box 39, Rushville, NE 69360, phone (308) 327-5650

**Towns and Population (2013):**

Clinton, 40; Gordon, 1,566; Hay Springs, 552; Rushville, 867

**Public School Districts (2014):**

Gordon-Rushville Public Schools: Clinton, Eli, Gordon, Lakeside, Merriman, Pine Ridge, Rushville and White Clay; Hay Springs Public Schools: Hay Springs

**Website:** sheridancountynebraska.com



### Sherman County

**Land Area:** 566 square miles

**Population (2013):** 3,106

**County Seat:** Loup City

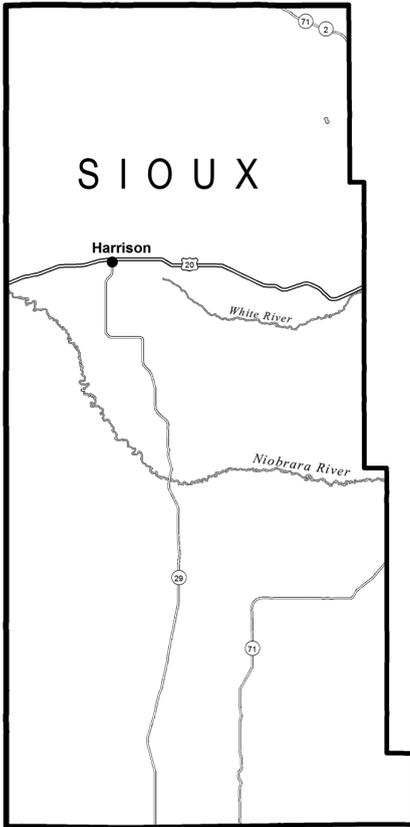
**County Clerk Address:** P.O. Box 456, 630 O St., Loup City, NE 68853, phone (308) 745-1513

**Towns and Population (2013):** Ashton, 192; Hazard, 69; Litchfield, 259; Loup City, 1,015; Rockville, 105

**Public School Districts (2014):** Litchfield Public Schools: Hazard, Litchfield and Mason City; Loup City Public Schools: Ashton, Loup City and Rockville

**Website:** www.co.sherman.ne.us

# Nebraska Counties, Towns and Schools (Cont'd.)



## Sioux County

**Land Area:** 2,067 square miles

**Population (2013):** 1,313

**County Seat:** Harrison

**County Clerk Address:** P.O. Box 158,  
325 Main St., Harrison, NE 69346, phone  
(308) 668-2443

**Town and Population (2013):** Har-  
rison, 249

**Public School Districts (2014):** Sioux  
County Public Schools: Harrison and Marsland

**Website:** [www.co.sioux.ne.us](http://www.co.sioux.ne.us)



## Stanton County

**Land Area:** 430 square miles

**Population (2013):** 6,133

**County Seat:** Stanton

**County Clerk Address:** P.O. Box 347, 804 Ivy St., Stanton,  
NE 68779, phone (402) 439-2222

**Towns and Population (2013):** Pilger, 346; Stanton, 1,557

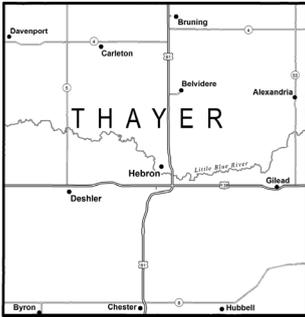
**Public School Districts (2014):** Stanton Community Schools,

Stanton

**Private School (2014):** St. John's Lutheran Elementary School:  
Stanton

**Website:** [www.co.stanton.ne.us](http://www.co.stanton.ne.us)

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### Thayer County

**Land Area:** 575 square miles

**Population (2013):** 5,189

**County Seat:** Hebron

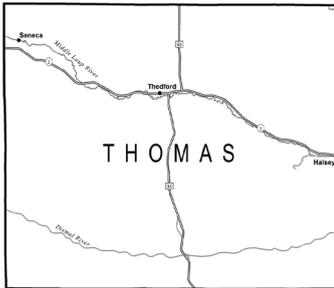
**County Clerk Address:** 255 N. Fourth St., Room 201, Hebron, NE 68370, phone (402) 768-6126

**Towns and Population (2013):** Alexandria, 174; Belvidere, 47; Bruning, 274; Byron, 82; Carleton, 90; Chester, 228; Davenport, 289; Deshler, 735; Gilead, 38; Hebron, 1,546; Hubbell, 67

**Public School Districts (2014):** Bruning-Davenport Unified System: Bruning, Carleton, Davenport, Oak, Ohio, Ruskin and Strang; Deshler Public Schools: Deshler and Ruskin; Thayer Central Community Schools: Belvidere, Byron, Carleton, Chester, Gilead, Hebron and Hubbell

**Private Schools (2014):** Deshler Lutheran Elementary School, Deshler; St. Peter's Lutheran Elementary School, Davenport

**Website:** [www.thayercounty.ne.gov](http://www.thayercounty.ne.gov)



### Thomas County

**Land Area:** 713 square miles

**Population (2013):** 699

**County Seat:** Theadford

**County Clerk Address:** P.O. Box 226, 503 Main St., Theadford, NE 69166, phone (308) 645-2261

**Towns and Population (2013):** Halsey,<sup>17</sup> 78; Seneca, 35; Theadford, 196

**Public School Districts (2014):** Theadford Public Schools: Brownlee and Theadford

**Website:** [www.thomascountynebraska.us](http://www.thomascountynebraska.us)



### Thurston County

**Land Area:** 394 square miles

**Population (2013):** 6,895

**County Seat:** Pender

**County Clerk Address:** P.O. Box 159, 106 Fifth St., Pender, NE 68047, phone (402) 385-2343

**Towns and Population (2013):** Emerson,<sup>18</sup> 830; Macy,<sup>19</sup> 956; Pender, 1,012; Rosalie, 162; Thurston, 134; Walthill, 785; Winnebago, 781

**Public School Districts (2014):** Pender Public Schools: Pender and Thurston; Umo N Ho N Nation Public Schools: Macy; Walthill Public Schools: Walthill; Winnebago Public Schools: Winnebago

**Private School (2014):** St. Augustine Elementary School, Winnebago

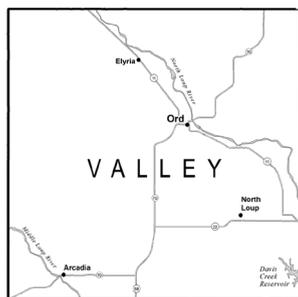
**Website:** [www.thurstoncountynebraska.us](http://www.thurstoncountynebraska.us)

<sup>17</sup>The village of Halsey is in both Thomas and Blaine counties.

<sup>18</sup>The village of Emerson is in Thurston, Dakota and Dixon counties.

<sup>19</sup>Macy is an unincorporated census designated place (CDP). Population figure listed is from the 2000 census.

## Nebraska Counties, Towns and Schools (Cont'd.)



### Valley County

**Land Area:** 568 square miles

**Population (2013):** 4,193

**County Seat:** Ord

**County Clerk Address:** 125 S. 15th St., Suite 202, Ord, NE 68862, phone (308) 728-3700

**Towns and Population (2013):** Arcadia, 308; Elyria, 50; North Loup, 294; Ord, 2,103

**Public School Districts (2014):** Arcadia Public Schools: Arcadia; Ord Public Schools: Comstock, Elyria and Ord

**Private School (2014):** St. Mary's Elementary School, Ord

**Website:** [www.co.valley.ne.us](http://www.co.valley.ne.us)



### Washington County

**Land Area:** 391 square miles

**Population (2013):** 20,223

**County Seat:** Blair

**County Clerk Address:** P.O. Box 466, 1555 Colfax St., Blair, NE 68008, phone (402) 426-6822

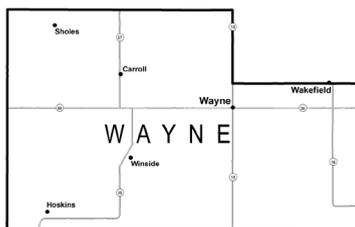
**Towns and Population (2013):** Arlington, 1,246; Blair, 7,984; Fort Calhoun, 911; Herman, 265; Kennard, 359; Washington, 150

**Public School Districts (2014):** Arlington Public Schools: Arlington and Kennard; Blair

Community Schools: Blair; Fort Calhoun Community Schools: Fort Calhoun

**Private Schools (2014):** Immanuel Lutheran Elementary School, Hooper; St. Paul's Lutheran Elementary School, Arlington

**Website:** [www.co.washington.ne.us](http://www.co.washington.ne.us)



### Wayne County

**Land Area:** 444 square miles

**Population (2013):** 9,411

**County Seat:** Wayne

**County Clerk Address:** 520 Pearl St., Suite 5, Wayne, NE 68787, phone (402) 375-2288

**Towns and Population (2013):** Carroll, 228; Hoskins, 288; Sholes, 21; Wakefield,<sup>20</sup> 1,422; Wayne, 5,661; Winside, 420

**Public School Districts (2014):** Wakefield Public Schools: Wakefield; Wayne Public Schools: Carroll and Wayne; Winside Public Schools: Hoskins

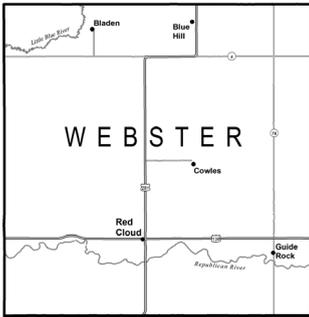
and Winside

**Private Schools (2014):** St. Mary's Elementary School, Wayne; Trinity Lutheran Schools, Hoskins

**Website:** [www.waynecountyne.org](http://www.waynecountyne.org)

<sup>20</sup>The city of Wakefield is in both Wayne and Dixon counties.

## Nebraska Counties, Towns and Schools (Cont'd.)



### Webster County

**Land Area:** 575 square miles

**Population (2013):** 3,688

**County Seat:** Red Cloud

**County Clerk Address:** P.O. Box 250, 621 N. Cedar St., Red Cloud, NE 68970, phone (402) 746-2716

**Towns and Population (2013):** Bladen, 233; Blue Hill, 916; Cowles, 29; Guide Rock, 217; Red Cloud, 992

**Public School Districts (2014):** Blue Hill Public Schools; Blue Hill and Cowles; Red Cloud Community Schools; Cowles, Inavale and Red Cloud

**Website:** [www.co.webster.ne.us](http://www.co.webster.ne.us)



### Wheeler County

**Land Area:** 575 square miles

**Population (2013):** 759

**County Seat:** Bartlett

**County Clerk Address:** P.O. Box 127, 301 Third St., Bartlett, NE 68622, phone (308) 654-3235

**Towns and Population (2013):** Bartlett, 117; Ericson, 93

**Public School District (2014):** Wheeler Central Schools; Bartlett, Cummingsville and Ericson

**Website:** [www.wheelercounty.ne.gov](http://www.wheelercounty.ne.gov)



### York County

**Land Area:** 576 square miles

**Population (2013):** 13,883

**County Seat:** York

**County Clerk Address:** 510 Lincoln Ave., York, NE 68467, phone (402) 362-7759

**Towns and Population (2013):** Benedict, 236; Bradshaw, 273; Gresham, 225; Henderson, 993; Lushton, 30; McCool Junction, 412; Thayer, 62; Waco, 242; York, 7,845

**Public School Districts (2014):** Heartland Community Schools; Bradshaw and Henderson; McCool Junction Public Schools; Lushton and McCool Junction; York Public Schools; York

**Private Schools (2014):** Dale Larsen Christian Academy, York; Emmanuel Lutheran Elementary School, York; Nebraska Evangelical Lutheran Schools, Waco; St. Joseph's Elementary School, York

**Website:** [www.yorkcounty.ne.gov](http://www.yorkcounty.ne.gov)

## NATURAL RESOURCES DISTRICTS

Natural resources districts, or NRDs, are responsible for conserving and developing the state's natural resources. NRD activities include managing surface water and groundwater resources, constructing and operating flood control structures and administering land management plans to prevent soil erosion and sediment problems. NRDs also are responsible for drainage and stream channel improvement, forestry and range management, management of fish and wildlife habitat, recreational and park facility management, and solid waste disposal and sanitary drainage.

The Nebraska Legislature created NRDs in 1969 by combining 154 special-purpose districts, such as soil and water conservation districts and watershed districts, into 24 multipurpose natural resources districts. These NRDs became operational in 1972. A merger in 1989 reduced the number of NRDs to 23.

The boundaries of NRDs were established along Nebraska's natural river basin boundaries. The Nebraska Natural Resources Commission created the original NRD boundaries and approves boundary alterations.<sup>1</sup>

Each NRD is governed by a locally elected board of directors. These directors serve four-year terms. NRDs have the authority to levy a local property tax to fund their programs. They also receive state funds for certain programs.

### Nebraska Association of Resources Districts

**Office Address:** 601 S. 12th St., Suite 201, Lincoln, NE 68508, phone (402) 471-7670, fax (402) 471-7677, email address — [nard@nrdnet.org](mailto:nard@nrdnet.org), website — [www.nrdnet.org](http://www.nrdnet.org)

**President:** Terry Martin

**Executive Director:** Dean E. Edson

**Public Relations/Education Director:** Erika Hill

**NRD/Department of Environmental Quality Liaison:** Jennifer Swanson

**Office Manager:** Jeanne Dryburgh

**NRD/Department of Natural Resources Liaison:** Dustin Wilcox

The Nebraska Association of Resources Districts is a statewide association created by natural resources districts to provide administrative services, legislative representation, statewide communication and coordination for the 23 independent districts.

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<sup>1</sup>For more information about the Natural Resources Commission, see Page 560.



# Nebraska Natural Resources Districts, 2015<sup>3</sup>

NRD	Manager	Address	Phone Number	Website
Central Platte	Jyndon Vogt	215 N. Kaufman Ave., Grand Island, NE 68803	(308) 385-6282	www.cpnrd.org
Lewis and Clark	Tom Moser	608 N. Robinson Ave., Hartington, NE 68739-0518	(402) 254-6758	www.lcnrd.org
Little Blue	Michael D. Onnen	110 E. Sixth, P.O. Box 100, Davenport, NE 68335	(402) 364-2145	www.littleblueand.org
Lower Big Blue	David Clabaugh	805 Dorsey St., P.O. Box 826, Beatrice, NE 68310	(402) 228-3402	www.lbbnrd.org
Lower Elkhorn	Sean Staab	601 E. Benjamin, Suite 101, Norfolk, NE 68702	(402) 371-7315	www.lenrd.org
Lower Loup	Leon Koehlmoos	2620 Airport Dr., Ord, NE 68862-1002	(308) 728-3221	www.lounrd.org
Lower Niobrara	Terry Jutesgard	410 Walnut St., P.O. Box 350, Butte, NE 68722	(402) 775-2343	www.lnrd.org
Lower Platte North	John Miyoshi	511 Commercial Park Rd., P.O. Box 126, Wahoo, NE 68066	(402) 443-4675	www.plnrd.org
Lower Platte South	Glenn Johnson	3125 Portia St., P.O. Box 83581, Lincoln, NE 68501-3581	(402) 476-2729	www.plsnrd.org
Lower Republican	Mike Clements	706 Second St., P.O. Box 618, Alma, NE 68920	(308) 928-2182	www.lrnrd.org
Middle Niobrara	Mike Murphy	526 E. First, Valentine, NE 69201	(402) 376-3241	www.mnrd.org
Middle Republican	Jack Russell	220 Center, P.O. Box 81, Curtis, NE 69025	(308) 367-4281	www.mrrnd.org
Nemaha	Robert Hilske	62161 Hwy 136, Tecumseh, NE 68450	(402) 335-3325	www.nemahand.org
North Platte	John Berge	P.O. Box 280, Scottsbluff, NE 69363-0280	(308) 632-2749	www.npnrd.org
Papio-Missouri River	John Winkler	8901 S. 154th St., Omaha, NE 68138-3621	(402) 444-6222	www.papionrd.org
South Platte	Rod L. Horn	551 Parkland Drive, P.O. Box 294, Sidney, NE 69162-0294	(308) 254-2577	www.spnrd.org
Tri-Basin	John Thorburn	1723 N. Burlington St., Holdrege, NE 68949	(308) 995-6688	www.tribasinnrd.org
Twin Platte	Kent O. Miller	Frier One Bank Center, 111 S. Dewey St., P.O. Box 1347, North Platte, NE 69103-1347	(308) 535-8080	www.tpnrd.org
Upper Big Blue	John Turnbull	105 Lincoln Ave., York, NE 68467	(402) 362-6601	www.upperbigblue.org
Upper Elkhorn	Dennis Schuech	301 N. Harrison, O'Neill, NE 68763	(402) 336-3867	www.uenrd.org
Upper Loup	Anna Baum	E. Hwy 2, P.O. Box 212, Theford, NE 69166	(308) 645-2250	www.upperlounrd.org
Upper Niobrara-White	Pat O'Brien	430 E. Second St., Chadron, NE 69337-2433	(308) 432-6190	www.unwrd.org
Upper Republican	Jasper Fanning	135 W. Fifth St., P.O. Box 1140, Imperial, NE 69033	(308) 882-5173	www.urnd.org

<sup>3</sup>Source: Nebraska Association of Resources Districts.

# METROPOLITAN UTILITIES DISTRICT

**Office Address:** 1723 Harney St., Omaha, NE 68102-1960, phone (402) 504-7000, email address — customer\_service@mudomaha.com, website — www.mudomaha.com

**President and Board Secretary:** Scott L. Keep

**Senior Vice President and General Counsel:** Ronald E. Bucher

**Senior Vice President, COO:** Ron Reisner

**Senior Vice President, CFO:** Debra A. Schneider

**Senior Vice President, CIO:** Mark E. Doyle

The Nebraska Legislature created the Metropolitan Water District in 1913. Five years later, state senators authorized the city of Omaha, which had acquired the gas system by condemnation, to assign the responsibility of gas system operation to the Metropolitan Water District. The name was changed to Metropolitan Utilities District in 1921. The district serves one-third of Nebraska and is the fifth-largest public gas utility in the United States.

M.U.D. is a political subdivision of the state. The district may enter contracts, promulgate regulations, set water and natural gas rates, buy, sell or lease land and issue revenue bonds.

M.U.D. provides natural gas and water service to the metropolitan Omaha area. The district serves more than 221,023 gas customers through 2,771 miles of gas mains and more than 205,250 water customers through 2,866 miles of mains. The district also maintains more than 28,000 water hydrants throughout its service area for fire protection. Cities and villages receiving gas service include: Omaha, Fort Calhoun, Bennington, Yutan, Springfield and 85 percent of Bellevue. The district provides retail or wholesale water service to Omaha, Bellevue, Bennington, Ralston, La Vista, Waterloo, Carter Lake, Iowa, and the Papio-Missouri River Resources District, which supplies water to Fort Calhoun.

The district may act as a billing agent to collect sewer use fees and other utility charges for other government agencies in areas it serves.

The district's governing body is a seven-member board of directors publicly elected to six-year terms on a nonpartisan basis. The board meets the first Wednesday of every month. All meetings are open to the public.

<b>Director</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
James P. Begley, Omaha .....	January 2019
Timothy W. Cavanaugh, Omaha .....	January 2015
Thomas F. Dowd, Omaha .....	January 2015
David J. Friend, Omaha .....	January 2019
Jack A. Frost, Omaha .....	January 2017
Amy H. Lindsay, Omaha.....	January 2015
Steve Patterson, Omaha.....	January 2017

## ELECTRIC POWER SYSTEMS

Electric service in Nebraska is supplied by state government subdivisions called public power districts, electric cooperatives and municipal electric systems. Nebraska is the only state without private power companies. All electric facilities are publicly owned or member-owned. Public power districts are governed by boards of directors elected during general elections. Cooperatives elect directors at their annual meetings.

### Public Power Districts

The 1933 Legislature passed a law which, as amended, created all public power districts in the state. The Loup River Public Power District, Central Nebraska Public Power and Irrigation District, Nebraska Public Power District and Omaha Public Power District were organized under this law. A number of rural power districts also operate under this law.

Nebraska's public power districts serve as governmental subdivisions and public corporations. They can sue and be sued, enter contracts, fix rates and buy, lease and sell property. They cannot levy taxes or issue bonds secured by tax funds.

Each public power district is governed by a board of directors, which sets policies and rates. The boards must have at least five members and no more than 21, except in districts with 25 or more cities or villages. Board members were originally designated by petition or by the governor. Subsequent members are elected on a nonpartisan basis to six-year staggered terms.

Board members are paid and are reimbursed for expenses. When a public power district has gross revenue of less than \$40 million a year, board members' pay must not exceed \$6,720 per year. The board chairperson, however, may be paid up to \$7,560 per year. When a public power district grosses more than \$40 million a year, board members' pay cannot exceed \$13,440 annually. The chairperson can be paid up to \$15,120. Board membership is not a full-time job. Each board appoints a full-time manager who performs the district's administrative functions.

### Central Nebraska Public Power and Irrigation District

**Office Address:** 415 Lincoln St., P.O. Box 740, Holdrege, NE 68949-0740, phone (308) 995-8601, fax (308) 995-5705, website — [www.cnppid.com](http://www.cnppid.com)

**General Manager:** Don Kraus

The Central Nebraska Public Power and Irrigation District, formed in 1933, has two operational divisions, the Irrigation Division and the Hydro Division.

The district's main storage reservoir is Lake McConaughy in Keith County. The lake is formed by Kingsley Dam, a hydraulic fill dam across the North Platte River. Water released from Lake McConaughy can be diverted at the Nebraska Public Power District's Keystone Diversion Dam into the Nebraska Public Power District canal system.

The diversion dam, located 50 miles east of Lake McConaughy below the confluence of the North and South Platte rivers, can divert water into the district's supply canal. The 75-mile supply canal delivers water to the district's three main irrigation canals, E65,

E67 and Phelps. These three canals serve more than 105,000 acres in Gosper, Phelps and Kearney counties, and an additional 7,500 acres in Lincoln and Dawson counties receive irrigation service directly from the supply canal.

The district’s project generates electricity at four hydroplants, one at Kingsley Dam and three on the supply canal. These plants are unmanned and operated by remote from the Gothenburg Control Center. The district sells power at wholesale price to NPPD for distribution.

<b>Director</b>	<b>County</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Geoffrey K. Bogle, Elwood.....	Gosper.....	January 2017
Robert Dahlgren, Bertrand.....	Phelps .....	January 2019
Ronald E. Fowler, Johnson Lake .....	Gosper.....	January 2021
Robert A. Garrett, Minden .....	Kearney .....	January 2017
William Knoerzer, Elwood.....	Gosper.....	January 2019
Martin Mueller, Ogallala .....	Keith .....	January 2019
Dudley Nelson, Axtell.....	Kearney .....	January 2021
Roger D. Olson, Holdrege.....	Phelps .....	January 2021
Scott Olson, Minden.....	Kearney .....	January 2019
Robert L. Petersen, North Platte.....	Lincoln.....	January 2021
David Rowe, Johnson Lake .....	Dawson .....	January 2017
Gordon Soneson, Holdrege .....	Phelps .....	January 2017

### Loup River Public Power District

**Office Address:** 2404 15th St., P.O. Box 988, Columbus, NE 68602-0988, phone (402) 564-3171, fax (402) 564-0970, email address — [loup@loup.com](mailto:loup@loup.com), website — [www.loup.com](http://www.loup.com)

**President and CEO:** Neal D. Suess

The Loup River Public Power District, created in 1933 as the first public power district in Nebraska, provides electric service to Boone, Colfax, Nance and Platte counties and a portion of Madison county. The district serves 21 communities at retail rates and two communities at wholesale rates. The district buys its electric power from the Nebraska Public Power District and maintains approximately 800 miles of transmission and distribution lines.

The district owns and operates the Columbus Powerhouse and the Monroe Powerhouse, two hydroelectric power generating facilities. The powerhouses are located on Loup’s 35-mile canal, which starts west of Genoa at the Loup River and ends southeast of Columbus at the Platte River.

<b>Director</b>	<b>Represents</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Richard Aerni, Columbus .....	Subdivision 10 .....	Jan. 1, 2021
Robert J. Cerv, Clarkson.....	Subdivision 4.....	Jan. 1, 2019
Jim M. Donoghue, Columbus .....	Subdivision 6.....	Jan. 1, 2019
Mike Fleming, Columbus.....	Subdivision 8.....	Jan. 1, 2019
Lavern W. Kracl, Schuyler.....	Subdivision 5.....	Jan. 1, 2021
Donald G. Pearson, Genoa .....	Subdivision 2.....	Jan. 1, 2017
Francis Sand, Humphrey.....	Subdivision 3.....	Jan. 1, 2019
Ted J. Thieman, Petersburg .....	Subdivision 1.....	Jan. 1, 2017
Richard C. Tooley, Columbus.....	Subdivision 9.....	Jan. 1, 2021
Larry J. Zach, Columbus.....	Subdivision 7.....	Jan. 1, 2017

### Nebraska Public Power District

**Office Address:** 1414 15th St., P.O. Box 499, Columbus, NE 68602-0499, phone (402) 564-8561, fax (402) 563-5145, website — [www.nppd.com](http://www.nppd.com)

**President and CEO:** Pat Pope

The Nebraska Public Power District (NPPD) is Nebraska’s largest electric utility, with a chartered territory including all or parts of 86 of Nebraska’s 93 counties. It was formed on Jan. 1, 1970 by merging the Consumers Public Power District, Platte Valley Public Power and Irrigation District and the Nebraska Public Power System. NPPD is a public corporation and political subdivision of the state of Nebraska. The utility is governed by an 11-member board of directors who are popularly elected from NPPD’s chartered territory.

NPPD revenue is mainly derived from wholesale power supply agreements with 51 towns and 25 rural public power districts and rural cooperatives. NPPD also serves 80 municipalities at the retail level. Over 5,000 miles of transmission lines make up the NPPD electrical grid system, which delivers power to more than 600,000 Nebraskans.

NPPD uses a mix of generating facilities including the Cooper Nuclear Station near Brownville; steam plants located at Canaday Station near Lexington, Gerald Gentleman Station near Sutherland and Sheldon Station near Hallam; a combined-cycle natural gas facility at Beatrice Power Station; a wind generation facility in Ainsworth; nine hydro facilities; nine diesel plants and three peaking units. NPPD has a participation agreement with Omaha Public Power District for electricity purchases from Nebraska City and power purchase agreements with six privately owned wind farms. NPPD also purchases electricity from the Western Area Power Administration,<sup>4</sup> which is operated by the federal government.

<b>Director</b>	<b>Represents</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Jerry Chlopek, Columbus.....	Subdivision 9 .....	January 2021
Fred Christensen, Lyons .....	Subdivision 11 .....	January 2019
Barry DeKay, Niobrara .....	Subdivision 2 .....	January 2021
Virgil Froehlich, Norfolk .....	Subdivision 10 .....	January 2017
Mary Harding, Roca.....	Subdivision 1 .....	January 2021
Thomas Hoff, Broken Bow.....	Subdivision 5 .....	January 2019
Ken Kunze, York .....	Subdivision 7 .....	January 2021
Ronald Larsen, Kearney.....	Subdivision 3 .....	January 2017
Larry Linstrom, North Platte.....	Subdivision 4 .....	January 2017
Edward Schrock, Holdrege/Elm Creek .....	Subdivision 6 .....	January 2019
Gary Thompson, Beatrice .....	Subdivision 8 .....	January 2017

### Omaha Public Power District

**Office Address:** 444 S. 16th St. Mall, Omaha, NE 68102, phone (402) 636-2000, website — <http://www.oppd.com>

**President:** W. Gary Gates

The Omaha Public Power District was established in 1945 by amendments to public power and irrigation law. The district bought the Nebraska Power Company in 1946 and consolidated with the Eastern Nebraska Public Power District in 1965.

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<sup>4</sup>For more information about the Western Area Power Administration, see Page 136.

OPPD provides electric service in Burt, Cass, Colfax, Dodge, Douglas, Johnson, Nemaha, Otoe, Pawnee, Richardson, Sarpy, Saunders and Washington counties. The service area also includes Carter Lake, Iowa. The district serves 48 towns at retail price and five towns at wholesale. OPPD sells about half of the electricity used in Nebraska.

OPPD produces most electricity sold to customers at its own facilities. The district's main power-generating stations include the North Omaha Power Station, which consists of five coal-powered generating units; the Fort Calhoun Nuclear Station; and two coal-powered units at Nebraska City Station. The district has oil- and natural-gas powered units that operate during emergencies and peak power periods. The district also produces electricity with a wind turbine and landfill gas-to-energy plant. OPPD buys electricity from the Western Area Power Administration<sup>5</sup> and other suppliers. OPPD also has wind purchase agreements with a number of wind energy suppliers, the largest being Prairie Breeze Wind Farm near Elgin, Nebraska, which produces 200 megawatts of generation. OPPD has more than 15,000 miles of transmission and distribution lines.

Director	Represents	Term Expires
Tom Barrett, Omaha .....	Subdivision 6 .....	January 2019
Michael J. Cavanaugh, Omaha.....	Subdivision 8 .....	January 2019
Tim Gay, Papillion.....	Subdivision 3 .....	January 2021
John K. Green, Omaha.....	Subdivision 5 .....	January 2017
Rich Hurley, Omaha .....	Subdivision 1 .....	January 2021
Anne L. McGuire, Omaha.....	Subdivision 2 .....	January 2021
Michael A. Mines, Omaha .....	Subdivision 7 .....	January 2019
Frederick J. Ulrich, Louisville .....	Subdivision 4 .....	January 2017

## RURAL ELECTRIC SYSTEMS

Thirty rural electric retail distribution systems have headquarters in Nebraska. Twenty-seven distribution systems are public power districts and the remaining three are membership cooperatives. Two cooperatives from South Dakota, three from Wyoming and one from Colorado serve border areas of Nebraska. Altogether, the distribution systems serve approximately 300,000 farmers and ranchers and many communities. Many rural electric systems are financed by the U.S. Rural Utilities Service<sup>6</sup> and other sources.

### Nebraska Rural Electric Association

**Office Address:** 1244 K St., P.O. Box 82048, Lincoln, NE 68501, phone (402) 475-4988, website — [www.nrea.org](http://www.nrea.org)

**General Manager:** Troy Bredenkamp

The Nebraska Rural Electric Association, a statewide organization with headquarters in Lincoln, serves rural electric systems providing power in Nebraska and bordering areas. The organization handles legislation, public relations, legal work, regulatory compliance, research and communications for the individual electric systems, and training

<sup>5</sup>For more information about the Western Area Power Administration, see Page 136.

<sup>6</sup>For more information about the U.S. Rural Utilities Programs, see Page 115.

and safety education for rural electric system line workers. The association publishes the *Rural Electric Nebraskan* magazine, distributed to 63,000 consumers.

## Nebraska Rural Public Power Districts<sup>7</sup>

### Rural Public Power Districts and Membership Associations (Rural Electrification Districts)

District	City	Manager
Burt County Public Power District .....	Tekamah .....	Dick Ray
Butler Public Power District.....	David City .....	Gary Westphal
Cedar-Knox County Public Power District .....	Hartington.....	Dan Leise
Cherry-Todd Electric Cooperative Inc. ....	Mission, S.D. ....	Tim Grablander
Chimney Rock Public Power District .....	Bayard .....	Diana Reich
Cornhusker Public Power District.....	Columbus .....	Clay Gibbs
Cuming County Public Power District .....	West Point .....	Vacant
Custer Public Power District.....	Broken Bow .....	Rick Nelson
Dawson Public Power District.....	Lexington.....	Gwen Kautz
Elkhorn Rural Public Power District .....	Battle Creek.....	Tom Rudloff
High West Energy.....	Pine Bluffs, Wyo.....	Brian Heithoff
Highline Electric Association.....	Holyoke, Colo. ....	Mark Farnsworth
Howard Greeley Rural Public Power District.....	St. Paul .....	Brian Lukasiewicz
KBR Rural Public Power District.....	Ainsworth .....	Robert L. Beatty
Lacreek Electric Association Inc. ....	Martin, S.D. ....	Wayne Sterkel
Loup Valleys Rural Public Power District.....	Ord .....	Charles Fuhrer
McCook Public Power District.....	McCook .....	James C. Florke
Midwest Electric Cooperative Corp. ....	Grant .....	Larry Umberger
Niobrara Electric Association Inc. ....	Lusk, Wyo.....	Kenneth Ceaglske
Niobrara Valley Electric Membership Corp. ....	O'Neill .....	John Hoke
Norris Public Power District.....	Beatrice .....	Bruce Vitosh
North Central Public Power District .....	Creighton.....	Keith Harvey
Northeast Nebraska Public Power District.....	Wayne .....	Mark Shults
Northwest Rural Public Power District.....	Hay Springs.....	Chance Briscoe
Panhandle Rural Electric Membership Association.....	Alliance .....	Ryan Reiber
Perennial Public Power District .....	York .....	Jamey Pankoke
Polk County Rural Public Power District.....	Stromsburg.....	Phil Burke
Roosevelt Public Power District .....	Mitchell ....	Sandra Hendren & Dennis Duffield
Seward County Public Power District.....	Seward.....	Joel Navis
South Central Public Power District .....	Nelson.....	Max VanSkiver
Southern Public Power District .....	Grand Island.....	Neil Niedfeldt
Southwest Public Power District .....	Palisade .....	Curtis Kayton

<sup>7</sup>Source: Nebraska Rural Electric Association.

Stanton County Public Power District.....	Stanton.....	David Sutter
Twin Valleys Public Power District.....	Cambridge.....	Jim Dietz
Wheat Belt Public Power District.....	Sidney.....	Tim Lindahl
Wyrulec Co.....	Lingle, Wyo.....	S. Ryan Schilreff

## MUNICIPAL ENERGY AGENCY OF NEBRASKA

**Office Address:** 8377 Glynoaks Drive, Lincoln, NE 68516, phone (402) 474-4759, fax (402) 474-0473, toll-free phone (800) 234-2595, website — [www.nmppenergy.org](http://www.nmppenergy.org)

**Executive Director:** J. Gary Stauffer

**Director, Wholesale Electric Operations:** Tim Sutherland

The 1981 Legislature passed the Municipal Cooperative Financing Act, which encouraged cities and villages to work together to supply, treat and distribute water; generate, transmit and distribute electric power and energy; and collect, treat and dispose of sewage and solid waste. The Municipal Energy Agency of Nebraska was created to help communities cooperate in these goals through financing, acquiring and operating electric supply and transmission facilities.

MEAN is a political subdivision of the state and a public corporation governed by a board of directors. The board has one director from each member community, appointed by the mayor or top local government official with approval of the respective governing body.

As of January 2014, MEAN serves one joint action agency and 68 other participating municipalities in Nebraska, Colorado, Iowa and Wyoming.

## OTHER LOCAL GOVERNMENTS

Other government units in Nebraska include airport authorities, cemetery districts, community college areas,<sup>8</sup> drainage districts, fire protection districts, groundwater conservation districts, hospital districts, irrigation districts, noxious weed control districts, reclamation districts, road improvement districts, rural water districts, sanitary and improvement districts and townships.

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<sup>8</sup> For more information on community college areas, see Pages 899-908.



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# NEBRASKA EDUCATION AND INFORMATION RESOURCES

## EDUCATION

The Nebraska Constitution requires the Legislature “to provide for the free instruction in the common schools of this state of all persons between the ages of five and twenty-one years.” Attendance is compulsory for children ages 7 through 16 years of age.

Besides grade and high school education provided by the state’s school districts, a network of two-year community colleges offer vocational technical education, two-year academic programs and community service programs. Nebraska has state colleges in Chadron, Peru and Wayne. The University of Nebraska has campuses in Lincoln, Omaha, Kearney and Curtis.

Nebraska also has private schools for all educational levels and postsecondary trade schools. Exempt schooling is an option for parents with children at elementary and secondary levels.

### Nebraska School Statistics\* Nebraska Counties, Public School Districts, Schools, Enrollments and Teachers, 1869-70 to 2013-14

Year	No. of Counties	No. of Public		Children Ages 5 to 20 years <sup>2</sup>	Enrollments <sup>3</sup>			No. of K-12 Districts	No. of Teachers <sup>5</sup>
		Districts	Schools <sup>1</sup>		Public <sup>4</sup>	Non-Public	Total		
1869-70.....	32	797	298	32,589	12,719	-	-	20	536
1879-80.....	64	3,132	2,701	142,348	92,549	-	-	70	4,100
1889-90.....	89	6,243	5,937	232,243	240,300	-	-	250	10,555
1899-1900.....	90	6,708	6,733	377,791	288,227	-	-	448	9,463
1909-10.....	92	7,071	7,157	376,477	278,936	-	-	534	11,099
1919-20.....	93	7,264	7,655	392,592	311,821	-	-	749	13,789
1929-30.....	93	7,244	7,565	423,602	325,216	-	-	940	14,400
1934-35.....	93	7,216	7,553	415,834	312,355	-	-	861	13,852
1939-40.....	93	7,192	7,511	369,154	276,188	-	-	836	13,759
1940-41.....	93	7,186	7,498	354,787	267,103	-	-	808	13,619
1941-42.....	93	7,009	7,440	342,145	257,664	-	-	720	13,397
1942-43.....	93	6,998	7,360	328,923	253,856	-	-	729	12,990
1943-44.....	93	6,986	7,379	318,714	237,603	-	-	736	12,503
1944-45.....	93	6,975	7,358	312,330	230,666	-	-	665	12,184
1945-46.....	93	6,956	7,277	308,662	230,147	-	-	651	12,125
1946-47.....	93	6,923	7,147	309,396	225,692	-	-	661	11,902
1947-48.....	93	6,864	7,136	314,610	225,525	-	-	654	11,857
1948-49.....	93	6,807	7,135	315,828	225,516	-	-	642	11,816
1949-50.....	93	6,734	7,008	317,850	227,879	-	-	647	11,948
1950-51.....	93	6,604	6,794	319,782	231,618	-	-	648	11,942
1951-52.....	93	6,466	6,611	327,339	233,031	-	-	640	11,905
1952-53.....	93	6,276	6,393	336,204	242,267	-	-	654	12,085
1953-54.....	93	5,983	6,071	343,428	249,920	-	-	660	12,413
1954-55.....	93	5,631	5,836	354,830	259,305	-	-	693	12,692
1955-56.....	93	5,340	5,067 <sup>7</sup>	358,554	253,173	-	-	462	13,142

\* Source: Nebraska Department of Education. For more information, visit the department’s website at [www.education.ne.gov](http://www.education.ne.gov)

## Nebraska School Statistics (Cont'd.)

### Nebraska Counties, Public School Districts, Schools, Enrollments and Teachers, 1869-70 to 2013-14 (Cont'd.)

Year	No. of Counties	No. of Public		Children Ages 5 to 18 years <sup>2</sup>	Enrollments <sup>3</sup>			No. of K-12 Districts	No. of Teachers <sup>5</sup>
		Districts	No. of Schools <sup>1</sup>		Public <sup>4</sup>	Non-Public	Total		
1956-57.....93		4,966	4,753 <sup>3</sup>	363,690	257,259	42,170	299,429	453	13,209
1957-58.....93		4,660	4,340 <sup>3</sup>	372,323	261,248	44,842	306,090	439	13,290
1958-59.....93		4,403	4,193 <sup>3</sup>	383,333	269,450	47,310	316,760	431	13,500
1959-60.....93		3,777	3,953 <sup>3</sup>	394,156	275,802	50,882	326,684	394	13,753
1960-61.....93		3,529	3,748 <sup>3</sup>	406,502	283,665	53,700	337,365	393	13,316
1961-62.....93		3,278	3,567	421,799	294,233	55,455	349,688	386	13,354
1962-63.....93		3,099	3,413 <sup>3</sup>	433,966	302,456	57,362	359,818	380	14,050
1963-64.....93		2,927	3,253	442,359	312,157	58,386	370,543	396	14,985
1964-65.....93		2,701	3,111	449,838	319,225	59,362	378,587	389	15,205
1965-66.....93		2,557	2,916	455,449	318,881	60,442	379,323	375	15,700
1966-67.....93		2,366	2,707	463,060	322,055	59,093	381,148	363	18,511
1967-68.....93		2,125	2,436	460,762	326,660	57,295	383,955	344	18,749
1968-69.....93		2,002	2,968	461,801	330,391	55,061	385,452	333	19,508
1969-70.....93		1,824	2,308	461,801	332,072	52,387	384,459	327	19,931
1970-71.....93		1,488	2,315	460,843	332,898	49,716	382,614	324	19,552
1971-72.....93		1,414	2,320	456,552	332,507	47,018	379,525	323	20,705
1972-73.....93		1,348	2,325	451,856	330,257	44,532	374,789	323	20,067
1973-74.....93		1,287	2,331	448,477	324,527	43,154	367,681	323	20,297
1974-75.....93		1,241	1,876	444,843	318,672	41,929	361,544	298	20,478
1975-76.....93		1,203	2,081	442,079	316,581	39,857	356,438	297	20,135
1976-77.....93		1,167	2,060	437,688	312,048	39,780	351,828	297	20,447
1977-78.....93		1,138	1,771	430,216	306,206	39,074	345,280	297	17,946
1978-79.....93		1,115	1,731	421,167	297,796	37,522	335,318	296	18,050
1979-80.....93		1,097	1,703	413,444	287,570	37,044	324,614	319	18,259
1980-81.....93		1,070	1,697	407,752	280,927	36,353	317,280	319	17,877
1981-82.....93		998	1,677	400,307	273,766	36,747	310,513	316	17,401
1982-83.....93		974	1,663	392,945	269,380	36,478	305,858	289	17,282
1983-84.....93		962	1,649	388,391	267,534	36,406	303,940	289	17,421
1984-85.....93		977	1,620	382,606	266,116	36,131	302,247	288	17,511
1985-86.....93		955	1,595	379,141	266,298	35,796	302,094	288	17,594
1986-87.....93		927	1,555	378,145	267,139	35,697	302,836	282	17,652
1987-88.....93		891	1,537	379,713	268,100	36,065	304,165	278	17,614
1988-89.....93		862	1,512	379,007	269,382	36,159	305,541	278	17,896
1989-90.....93		838	1,485	384,679	270,930	36,638	307,568	278	18,270
1990-91.....93		780	1,468	388,872	274,080	37,158	311,238	278	18,627
1991-92.....93		777	1,440	394,150	279,552	37,469	317,021	278	18,869
1992-93.....93		729	1,395	389,770	282,476	38,242	320,718	273	19,090
1993-94.....93		692	1,383	389,085	285,017	38,570	323,587	271	19,388
1994-95.....93		680	1,347	394,049	287,100	40,588	327,688	269	19,621
1995-96.....93		668	1,346	398,417	289,744	41,047	330,791	268	19,923
1996-97.....93		656	1,333	397,828	291,967	41,794	333,761	267	20,014
1997-98.....93		640	1,309	408,194	292,681	42,219	334,900	266	19,995
1998-99.....93		604	1,285	424,904	291,133	42,657	333,790	266	20,100
1999-2000.....93		587	1,259	405,579	288,231	43,129	331,360	261	20,412
2000-01.....93		563	1,257	405,689	286,199	43,303	329,502	252	20,843
2001-02.....93		534	1,250	409,100	285,095	42,791	327,886	245	20,808
2002-03.....93		502	1,221	397,756	285,402	41,758	327,160	243	20,840
2003-04.....93		495	1,203	351,546	285,542	40,974	326,516	242	20,784
2004-05.....93		477	1,185	351,593	285,761	40,355	326,116	257	20,819
2005-06.....93		449	1,160	350,501	286,645	39,508	326,153	254	21,034
2006-07.....93		254	1,111	348,345	287,135	39,247	326,827	254	21,312
2007-08.....93		254	1,086	346,657	290,779	38,759	329,870	254	21,647
2008-09.....93		254	1,023	333,797	292,037	38,630	331,095	254	21,834
2009-10.....93		252	1,023	347,731	295,182	38,489	334,143	252	22,493
2010-11.....93		251	1,010	348,812	298,447	38,098	336,545	251	22,223
2011-12.....93		258	1,249	350,029	300,907	38,138	339,455	251	-
2012-13.....93		249	1,247	354,305	303,242	37,953	341,458	249	-
2013-14.....93		249	1,256	356,261	307,398	37,523	345,200	249	-

<sup>1</sup> Before 1975-76, chart lists number of schoolhouses. Starting in 1975-76, chart lists number of schools. Starting in 1977-78, chart lists number of public schools only.

<sup>2</sup> Before 2003-04, the chart lists number of children ages 5-20. Starting in 2003-04, only ages 5-18 are collected.

<sup>3</sup> Before 1959-60, chart lists pupil count taken on the first day of school in the fall. Before 1955-56, re-enrollments also are included. Starting in 1959-60, the actual membership count was made on Oct. 1. Starting in 1972-73, the count has been taken the last Friday in September.

<sup>4</sup> Public enrollment figures include enrollment at state-operated schools and educational service units.

<sup>5</sup> Starting in 1975-76, chart lists number of full-time equivalent teachers. Starting in 1977-78, chart lists number of FTE teachers at public schools only.

## Nebraska School Statistics (Cont'd.)

### Nebraska Public School Property Value, Receipts, Expenditures, Indebtedness and State Apportionment from Endowments, 1869-70 to 2012-13\*

Year	Value of School Property	Receipts	Expenditures	Indebtedness	State Apportionments from Endow- ments
1869-70	\$177,082	\$ 120,806	\$ 143,535	\$ 31,657	\$ 138,841
1879-80	2,064,768	1,134,039	1,108,617	1,008,799	257,623
1889-90	6,613,464	3,639,116	3,499,300	2,648,224	586,270
1899-1900	9,591,134	4,410,400	4,403,222	3,373,691	693,205
1909-10	16,290,412	8,971,991	7,454,215	4,640,590	692,357
1919-20	42,145,280	20,062,926	19,563,064	15,070,715	985,579
1929-30	85,303,692	27,733,859	27,853,595	35,121,274	1,025,162
1934-35	80,311,120	18,623,392	18,343,159	30,716,938	940,965
1939-40	82,361,854	20,549,162	20,427,683	26,740,166	984,696
1940-41	83,369,193	20,739,024	20,505,922	26,090,194	1,001,569
1941-42	84,869,351	21,123,277	20,991,682	24,622,082	1,015,568
1942-43	82,356,338	23,367,394	21,753,011	23,306,671	1,055,169
1943-44	82,961,309	24,829,968	23,845,259	21,183,850	1,171,807
1944-45	84,897,201	27,509,381	28,349,732	19,764,472	1,004,454
1945-46	86,373,538	30,173,401	29,530,870	16,813,203	982,719
1946-47	89,345,751	33,850,770	33,983,117	17,811,655	1,136,188
1947-48	92,718,617	39,103,901	38,988,347	18,060,934	1,321,974
1948-49	99,598,126	44,364,036	43,044,290	20,183,394	1,548,212
1949-50	112,612,541	48,577,379	46,544,048	22,120,221	1,561,307
1950-51	122,872,697	52,349,009	52,786,583	20,355,687	1,960,455
1951-52	134,895,474	64,267,780 <sup>1</sup>	55,067,746 <sup>2</sup>	30,850,945	2,934,602
1952-53	147,045,609	63,707,719 <sup>1</sup>	61,771,696 <sup>2</sup>	37,971,548	5,587,386
1953-54	160,798,629	65,400,718 <sup>1</sup>	65,799,029 <sup>2</sup>	41,884,241	1,988,331
1954-55	185,859,668	80,342,150 <sup>1</sup>	74,232,625 <sup>2</sup>	56,697,831	2,388,289
1955-56	239,225,587	71,007,239	72,617,107	83,014,567	3,040,758
1956-57	229,265,849	75,309,292	74,895,238	86,667,495	2,676,535
1957-58	236,131,180	78,599,979	78,102,027	89,816,495	2,719,752
1958-59	252,447,184	84,610,724	83,858,894	96,398,451	3,002,356
1959-60	293,436,124	92,946,748	83,988,931	102,464,631	3,079,681
1960-61	291,713,419	98,891,999	90,316,949	107,845,919	3,629,810
1961-62	312,545,519	102,922,342	101,296,532	110,290,573	3,246,468
1962-63	342,783,639	109,274,020	108,829,582	156,511,470	6,358,613
1963-64	387,445,810	120,417,898	116,787,415	160,015,447	2,610,274
1964-65	531,099,112	125,631,864	128,571,192	164,407,346	3,391,732
1965-66	434,738,683	151,603,953	151,947,336	163,142,825	3,600,087
1966-67	458,845,551	167,571,127	167,965,835	170,524,838	3,881,004
1967-68	481,558,888	189,181,030	187,907,505	182,124,694	4,465,246
1968-69	518,658,613	236,996,769	236,484,219	190,087,422	4,312,105
1969-70	559,312,183	255,391,920	250,257,954	192,478,807	4,759,784
1970-71	597,116,616	274,135,004	268,428,115	190,897,179	5,036,303
1971-72	638,346,736	300,735,142	291,698,346	193,436,161	6,535,178
1972-73	677,418,529	318,011,151	311,277,425	203,535,604	7,946,422
1973-74	738,497,504	340,691,464	328,961,826	215,047,481	7,946,422
1974-75	832,508,462	375,909,569	374,720,297	215,984,410	16,268,040
1975-76	943,893,037	418,582,242	422,220,913	219,906,243	6,810,219
1976-77	1,033,147,364	483,879,829	469,884,966	237,617,883	13,278,111

## Nebraska School Statistics (Cont'd.)

### Nebraska Public School Property Value, Receipts, Expenditures, Indebtedness and State Apportionment from Endowments, 1869-70 to 2012-13\* (Cont'd.)

Year	Value of School Property	Receipts	Expenditures	Indebtedness	State Apportionments from Endow- ments
1977-78 .....	1,101,916,470	573,891,131	505,951,745	245,073,885	12,302,349
1978-79 .....	1,237,484,207	548,674,936	543,776,720	242,267,691	11,255,499
1979-80 .....	1,372,244,902	589,457,945	584,861,327	246,978,483	11,843,193
1980-81 .....	1,474,657,746	656,431,521	632,590,665	249,201,325	16,916,254
1981-82 .....	1,644,635,444	695,148,268	683,824,961	248,491,972	17,179,296
1982-83 .....	1,726,776,760	741,989,031	733,068,887	248,589,821	18,168,964
1983-84 .....	1,835,033,261	785,940,857	787,664,958	246,780,387	21,381,383
1984-85 .....	1,886,685,058	843,965,468	837,225,311	241,807,742	18,626,884
1985-86 .....	1,919,203,937	884,586,190	884,326,087	269,254,411	18,046,721
1986-87 .....	1,968,229,751	958,621,642	936,038,003	258,815,183	19,053,184
1987-88 .....	2,023,011,911	997,623,668	993,388,840	246,039,734	19,120,570
1988-89 .....	2,086,719,788	1,057,161,354	1,043,589,639	256,435,268	16,725,854
1989-90 .....	2,030,304,640	1,183,451,888	1,162,693,038	287,637,546	18,410,444
1990-91 .....	2,072,122,330	1,277,933,829	1,238,601,868	329,840,570	20,873,872
1991-92 .....	2,131,521,580	1,295,904,328	1,307,736,342	325,983,642	23,880,413
1992-93 .....	2,282,974,784	1,350,513,883	1,352,358,278	Not Available	23,573,412
1993-94 .....	2,468,757,314	1,416,960,058	1,420,318,241	Not Available	23,983,243
1994-95 .....	2,581,270,857	1,510,844,631	1,500,292,231	546,684,390	26,010,487
1995-96 .....	2,942,588,871	1,573,512,720	1,552,099,835	513,336,863	25,400,697
1996-97 .....	3,114,719,474	1,643,185,409	1,601,772,600	555,062,374	25,628,172
1997-98 .....	3,304,711,881	1,643,326,787	1,649,399,358	604,352,331	25,440,170
1998-99 .....	3,497,992,796	1,817,865,376	1,728,889,710	682,350,641	28,055,493
1999-2000 .....	3,580,872,863	1,859,232,671	1,821,427,555	804,464,501	28,826,082
2000-01 .....	3,752,855,586	1,922,815,212	1,928,410,090	1,039,887,790	29,070,642
2001-02 .....	4,029,252,950	2,078,797,908	2,053,184,001	1,043,994,178	27,906,493
2002-03 .....	4,544,285,540	2,149,536,577	2,150,904,284	1,107,468,944	24,212,245
2003-04 .....	4,872,354,213	2,276,144,199	2,238,430,248	1,165,193,128	23,687,123
2004-05 .....	5,352,447,949	2,368,116,066	2,330,513,548	924,358,401	24,517,202
2005-06 .....	5,839,981,972	2,513,779,633	2,470,097,701	1,356,152,679	23,386,475
2006-07 .....	6,493,301,456	2,632,057,639	2,618,547,219	1,517,633,455	38,038,165
2007-08 .....	7,046,216,641	2,787,310,530	2,760,510,532	1,633,932,775	32,006,859
2008-09 .....	7,648,507,251	2,939,099,212	2,915,950,858	1,700,451,129	39,100,897
2009-10 .....	8,166,612,204	3,128,738,599	3,076,759,529	1,757,045,287	36,233,785
2010-11 .....	8,458,615,640	3,280,083,029	3,154,364,667	1,796,256,858	42,388,417
2011-12 .....	9,401,768,628	3,141,279,966	3,134,225,324	2,033,569,642	39,060,264
2012-13 .....	9,811,334,412	3,230,833,586	3,219,961,367	1,828,245,066	45,761,455

\* For current information on Nebraska schools, visit Education Support Services at the Nebraska Department of Education website at [www.nde.state.ne.us](http://www.nde.state.ne.us)

## University of Nebraska

**Central Administration:** Varner Hall, 3835 Holdrege St., Lincoln, NE 68583, phone (402) 472-2111, website — [www.nebraska.edu](http://www.nebraska.edu)

**Interim President:** James Linder, M.D.

The University of Nebraska, a state-supported institution, was chartered at Lincoln in 1869 as a land-grant college. The university is governed by a Board of Regents composed of eight voting members elected on a nonpartisan basis and four nonvoting student members, each representing a campus.<sup>1</sup>

Each of the university's four campuses is led by a chancellor responsible to the president. The university is composed of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, the University of Nebraska at Omaha, the University of Nebraska Medical Center and the University of Nebraska at Kearney. UNL includes the Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources. The Nebraska College of Technical Agriculture in Curtis operates under the authority of the Board of Regents and is administered by the Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources.

### *University of Nebraska-Lincoln*

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**Chancellor:** Harvey Perlman

The University of Nebraska-Lincoln (UNL) is Nebraska's state university and land-grant university. When the university was chartered in 1869, the Legislature subscribed to the federal government's Morrill or Land-Grant College Act, which committed the university to include instruction in agriculture, mechanic arts and military tactics, besides a liberal arts and sciences academic program.

By the mid-1880s, the university began offering graduate courses, the first graduate program west of the Mississippi River. The university was a member of the Association of American Universities from 1909-2011. UNL is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission/North Central Association of Colleges and Schools. The Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching ranks UNL as RU/VH: a doctoral/research university with very high research activity, reflecting UNL's level of federal funding for research and high-quality graduate education leading to the doctoral degree.

The university's missions are teaching, research and public service. Approximately 25,000 students matriculate through its nine colleges: Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources, Architecture, Arts and Sciences, Business Administration, Education and Human Sciences, Engineering, Hixson-Lied Fine and Performing Arts, Journalism and Mass Communications and Law.

A new curriculum, Achievement-Centered Education, launched in 2009, ensures graduates are competent in writing, communications and mathematics; have knowledge of diverse peoples and cultures and of the natural and physical world; understand ethics and social responsibilities; and are able to integrate these abilities to adapt to a changing world. Among UNL's signature undergraduate programs are the Jeffrey S. Raikes School of Computer Science and Management, the UNL Honors Program and the

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<sup>1</sup>For information on the university's Board of Regents, see Pages 701-711.

Undergraduate Creative Activities and Research Experiences program.

UNL students participate in comprehensive programs of research as well as scholarly and creative activities. UNL offers 138 undergraduate majors, 69 master's degree programs under 15 separate degree titles and 36 doctoral programs leading to the degrees of doctor of philosophy, doctor of education and doctor of musical arts. One associate degree program, six professional degree programs and four educational specialist programs also are available.

UNL's colleges and other university facilities are on two campuses in Lincoln and at other locations throughout the state. UNL's City Campus is just north of Lincoln's downtown business district, and East Campus is about two miles northeast of City Campus. UNL's Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources, from its headquarters on East Campus, extends the university's services to all Nebraskans through its statewide research and extension programs in agriculture and home economics. The Nebraska College of Technical Agriculture in Curtis is a division of IANR.<sup>2</sup>

In 2010, UNL acquired 249 acres that formerly hosted the Nebraska State Fair to create the Nebraska Innovation Campus. The land is contiguous to the university's city campus. The Nebraska Innovation Campus is a public/private research and technology development center meant to attract business and industry interested in leveraging university research.

Agricultural research and extension centers are located across the state and Nebraska counties receive county or area extension services. District and state specialists provide leadership for programs in agriculture, home economics and family living, 4-H youth and community development.

Nearly 100,000 people each year are served through extended education programs that deliver courses across Nebraska and worldwide. The university also operates one of the nation's major accredited high school and college correspondence programs.

Other university facilities include the 9,500-acre Agricultural Research and Development Center near Mead; the Gudmundsen Sandhills Research Center, a 12,800-acre beef cattle, range and forage studies center on a ranch northeast of Whitman; the Nine-Mile Prairie, a virgin prairie northwest of Lincoln; and the Cedar Point Biological Station near Ogallala, used for biological science research and instruction.

UNL is a comprehensive research university that provides students the opportunity to work with faculty who are leaders in their disciplines. Leading research programs include agriculture, climate and drought, digital humanities, energy, food safety, high-intensity lasers, plant science and genetics, materials science, nanotechnology, natural resources, redox biology, transportation, virology and water. These diverse research strengths help UNL expand knowledge to address state and national problems. In 2010, a \$50 million pledge from the Robert B. Daugherty Foundation established the Robert B. Daugherty Water for Food Institute, where scientists and others will work to find solutions to the problem of limited water resources and the challenge of a growing world population. A 2011 gift from Omaha philanthropist Susie Buffett established the Buffett Early Childhood Institute to transform child development and education.

UNL also serves the state through cultural, educational and technical outreach

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<sup>2</sup>For more information about the Nebraska College of Technical Agriculture, see Page 891.

programs. City Campus is home to the Sheldon Museum of Art, the Lied Center for Performing Arts and the University of Nebraska State Museum. The Sheldon Museum of Art has one of the nation's best collections of 20th century American art and also features a sculpture garden with works by more than 30 artists including Claes Oldenburg, Mark di Suvero, Richard Serra and David Smith. The Lied Center, opened in 1989, showcases major regional, national and international events.

The University of Nebraska State Museum has an outstanding collection of fossil mammals and is world-renowned for its Elephant Hall, home of Archie, an ancient mammoth whose skeleton is thought to be the largest on display in the world. The museum houses galleries of Nebraska wildlife, zoology, geology and anthropology and the Mueller Planetarium. The museum also operates Ashfall Fossil Beds State Historical Park near Royal, Neb., and Trailside Museum of Natural History at Fort Robinson State Park.

In spring 2008, UNL opened the International Quilt Study Center and Museum. It houses the largest public collection of historic quilts from around the world, attracting researchers and quilt lovers to its galleries, research laboratories and digital galleries.

The Christlieb Collection of Western Art is part of UNL's Center for Great Plains Studies. Students and faculty in the School of Music, the Johnny Carson School of Theatre and Film and the Department of Art and Art History present or create performing and fine arts that enhance cultural life. UNL also is home base for The Nebraska Repertory Theatre, Nebraska's only professional live theatre. Film buffs and historians make use of the Mary Riepma Ross Media Arts Center. The University of Nebraska Press also is at UNL.

The university provides enrichment programs for elementary and secondary students through activities such as annual Math Days, annual Foreign Language Fair and the College of Engineering's annual E-Week. The university also sponsors lectures and other public programs including the series of E.J. Faulkner and Lewis E. Harris lectures, the new Heuermann lectures as well as the E.N. Thompson Forum on World Issues lecture series, all of which bring distinguished speakers from around the world to Lincoln.

UNL works to commercialize the products of its research to enhance Nebraska's economy. Major centers have been established at UNL to help Nebraska businesses and industries. The Food Processing Center in the Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources operates through cooperation among the state, university and private sector. This center provides technical services to new and established industries and helps develop new products and processes. The Industrial Agricultural Products Center assists companies in developing and commercializing bio-based products and processing techniques, primarily focused on biopolymers, biochemical, biofuels and biopower. The Nebraska Center for Entrepreneurship in the College of Business Administration and the Engler Agribusiness Entrepreneurship Center in the College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources offer students the chance to develop their entrepreneurial skills. The Burros Institute of Mental Measurements in the College of Education and Human Sciences publishes scholarly reviews of tests and test-related products and publishes the *Mental Measurements Yearbook and Data Base*.

The George W. Beadle Center for Genetics and Biomaterials Research houses

laboratories for research and development in biotechnology, biochemistry, biological materials and related fields.

UNL's Barkley Memorial Center is recognized nationally for its teaching and research programs and for the center's work in communication augmentation and rehabilitation for people with speech and hearing disorders. NET, formerly Nebraska Educational Telecommunications, operates NET Television and NET Radio from its headquarters at UNL.

Recent international activities include partnerships with several Chinese universities and the establishment of a Confucius Institute to promote the study of Chinese language and culture. UNL also is the lead scientific institution in the international Antarctic drilling project called ANDRILL. UNL scientists are studying ways to stop the transmission of HIV between mothers and infants in Africa and have, for more than 30 years, worked to improve the food supply in Africa, Central America and Eurasia through the International Sorghum and Millet Collaborative Research Support Program.

UNL faculty are leading a collaboration among Big Ten and Ivy League institutions to study the effects of head injuries in sports.

Love Library on UNL's City Campus is the state's major research library and the flagship of UNL's University Libraries, which hold more than 3 million volumes available statewide through interlibrary loan. The libraries are extensively involved in digital research and other new technologies.

Among its more than 180,000 graduates, the university has alumni in all 50 states and more than 40 foreign countries.

UNL also is home to more than two dozen men's and women's athletic programs. Nicknamed "Cornhuskers," or "the Huskers," these teams have a tradition of national prominence in athletics. In 2011, UNL joined the Big Ten athletics conference and its academic affiliate, the Committee on Institutional Cooperation. In addition to five national championships in football, Husker teams have won eight national titles in men's gymnastics, three women's indoor track and field titles, and three women's volleyball titles. Husker athletes are also known for their academic achievements. Since 1952, UNL has had more academic all-Americans than any other school in the nation in either university or college divisions.

### **Nebraska College of Technical Agriculture**

**Campus:** 404 E. 7th St., Curtis, NE 69025, phone (308) 367-4124, toll-free phone (800) 3-CURTIS, website — [www.ncta.unl.edu](http://www.ncta.unl.edu)

**Dean:** Ron Rosati

The Nebraska College of Technical Agriculture in Curtis is governed by the Board of Regents and is part of the NU system. The two-year college grants associate of applied science degrees and certificates. NCTA also offers associate of science transfer degrees as well as concurrent enrollment and continuing education opportunities for nontraditional students. NCTA is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools and the American Veterinary Medical Association.

The college enrolls over 350 students and offers majors in agribusiness management

systems, agriculture production systems, horticulture systems and veterinary technology systems. Students receiving degrees and certificates are prepared for careers in agriculture and related fields or for continued study at four-year institutions, such as the UNL College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources.

### *University of Nebraska at Kearney*

**Campus:** 905 W. 25th St., Kearney, NE 68849, phone (308) 865-8441, toll-free phone (800) 532-7639, website — [www.unk.edu](http://www.unk.edu)

**Chancellor:** Douglas A. Kristensen

The University of Nebraska at Kearney, established in 1903, became part of the university system on July 1, 1991, by action of the 1989 Legislature. The university was formerly known as Kearney State College.

The university provides comprehensive educational, research and service programs. More than 170 academic programs are offered to approximately 7,000 students. UNK's five colleges are Business and Technology, Education, Fine Arts and Humanities, Natural and Social Sciences and Graduate Studies. Continuing studies programs are offered in communities throughout the region.<sup>3</sup>

UNK focuses on the undergraduate student experience by offering extensive internship opportunities. The university also has a nationally distinguished student research program and has been recognized for high retention and graduation rates, small class size and student-to-faculty ratio, value, accessibility and alumni support. In addition, the campus has been included in *U.S. News & World Report's* Top 15 Midwest Public Universities ranking for several consecutive years.

The university grants the following degrees: bachelor of arts, bachelor of science, bachelor of music, bachelor of arts in education, bachelor of science in education, bachelor of fine arts, bachelor of general studies, master of arts, master of science, master of arts in education, master of science in education, master of business administration and the specialist degree. The university is accredited by the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools and the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education.

### *University of Nebraska Medical Center*

**Campus:** 985230 Nebraska Medical Center, Omaha, NE 68198-5230, phone (402) 559-4000, website — [www.unmc.edu](http://www.unmc.edu)

**Chancellor:** Jeffrey P. Gold, M.D.

The University of Nebraska Medical Center (UNMC) is the state's only academic health science center. UNMC's award-winning educational programs have trained more health professionals practicing in Nebraska than any other institution. Of the nearly 3,700 students at UNMC, more than 80 percent are Nebraska residents.

Accredited by the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools, UNMC is recognized nationally and internationally as a leader in patient care, research, education and community outreach. Together with its clinical partner, Nebraska Medicine, UNMC is one of the country's leading centers in cancer, transplant biology, bioterrorism preparedness, neurodegenerative diseases, cardiovascular diseases, genetics, biomedical technology and other areas.

UNMC's primary care program is ranked sixth in the nation by U.S. News & World Report and the rural health medicine program is tied for ninth. The university's physician assistant, physical therapy, pharmacy and nursing master's programs also rank among the top in the country.

UNMC's research funding from external sources now exceeds \$90 million annually and has created thousands of highly skilled jobs in the state. UNMC investigators conduct research in areas relating to national security and defense as part of the University-Affiliated Research Center (UARC), which is housed in the University of Nebraska National Strategic Research Institute at UNMC.

UNMC is home to the colleges of Dentistry, Medicine, Nursing, Pharmacy, Public Health and the School of Allied Health Professions. UNMC also is home to the Fred & Pamela Buffett Cancer Center and the Munroe-Meyer Institute for Genetics and Rehabilitation. Many students at UNMC also study as part of the University of Nebraska's Graduate College.

The College of Medicine offers the doctor of medicine degree and graduate medical education in 18 specialties and 15 subspecialties. The College of Dentistry, a regional source for the doctor of dental surgery degree, offers four specialties and a hospital-based general practice residency program. It also offers the state's only bachelor's degree in dental hygiene program through the Lincoln campus and at the west division in Gering.

The College of Nursing has trained more of the baccalaureate nurses in the state than any other institution and prepares nurse practitioners and master's degree nurses. It also offers the only doctoral nursing program in Nebraska. The College of Nursing offers coursework at its five divisions in Omaha, Lincoln, Kearney, Scottsbluff and Norfolk. Courses also are offered via distance technology. The college operates nurse-managed health centers, school nursing and employee health programs.

The College of Pharmacy was one of the first colleges in the nation to offer the doctorate of pharmacy degree. Its doctor of pharmacy professional program is ranked among the top colleges of pharmacy in the United States and its graduate program in pharmaceutical sciences offers educational opportunities that lead to master's and doctorate degrees.

The College of Public Health, UNMC's newest college, delivers high quality education, research and public service emphasizing the following areas: biosecurity/biopreparedness; biostatistics; environmental, agricultural and occupational health sciences; epidemiology; ethics and humanities in health; health disparities; health policy analysis; health services administration; health services research; health promotion/disease prevention; rural health; and toxicology.

The School of Allied Health Professions offers educational degrees in 13 areas: cardiovascular interventional technology, clinical laboratory science, clinical perfusion, computed tomography, cytotechnology, diagnostic medical sonography, magnetic resonance imaging, medical nutrition education, nuclear medicine technology, physical therapy, physician assistant, radiography and radiation therapy.

UNMC's Munroe-Meyer Institute (MMI) provides services and support for persons with genetic disorders and developmental disabilities. As an academic unit of UNMC, the institute provides advanced disciplinary and interdisciplinary educational programs

to students in 17 disciplines and programs. MMI is a federally designated University Center of Excellence for Developmental Disabilities Education, Research and Service.

Basic and clinical cancer research and educational programs, including cancer prevention and outreach, are coordinated through the Fred & Pamela Buffett Cancer Center. A National Cancer Institute Clinical Cancer Center, the Fred & Pamela Buffett Cancer Center is one of the founding members of the National Comprehensive Cancer Network, an alliance of 25 leading cancer centers in the United States. Members of the network work together to develop treatment guidelines for most cancers and are dedicated to research that improves the quality, effectiveness and efficiency of cancer care.

UNeMed Corporation is an independent technology management company that provides value-added commercialization services to UNMC. UNeMed commercializes technology by licensing from UNMC and sublicensing to private industry for further development. The corporation was established in 1991 as a for profit entity that was wholly owned by UNMC. In 2002, ownership of UNeMed was transferred to the Nebraska Technology Development Corp., with UNMC maintaining shareholder privileges by proxy.

Much progress has been made in the past two decades to bring UNMC's health education, research and patient care facilities and programs into the 21st century. Nearly all of the construction on campus during that time has been paid for through philanthropy.

In 2009, a \$77 million research tower - Durham Research Center II - opened alongside the Durham Research Center, which opened in 2003. The buildings are dedicated to the research of cancer, cardiovascular disease, neurosciences, eye disease, gastrointestinal and liver diseases, regenerative medicine, transplantation and developmental biology, genetics and molecular genetics, neurobiology and other diseases.

In 2008, UNMC opened the \$52.7 million Michael F. Sorrell Center for Health Science Education. The center - home to the College of Medicine - features clinical skills laboratories that resemble hospital and exam rooms, as well as large amphitheatres, small-group interaction rooms, conference space for continuing education and student interaction space that will provide enhanced interdisciplinary educational opportunities.

The Weigel Williamson Center for Visual Rehabilitation became the nation's only low vision center situated on a university campus when it opened in 2008. The center, the only one like it in the region, provides comprehensive visual rehabilitation for adults and children with low vision.

The Hixson-Lied Center for Clinical Excellence, which opened in 2005, is a four-story clinical facility that connects the former University Hospital and Clarkson Hospital. Those hospitals merged in 1997 to form UNMC's hospital partner, known today as Nebraska Medicine.

The Lied Transplant Center, which opened in 1999, is one of the largest and most successful transplant centers in the world. With patients from around the world, the center's state-of-the-art transplant program provides comprehensive treatment for diseases of the kidney, pancreas, liver, small intestine, heart and lungs.

In recent years, the Omaha campus also has opened the Home Instead Center for Successful Aging, the Harold M. and Beverly Maurer Center for Public Health,

the Center for Nursing Science and the Stanley M. Truhlsen Eye Institute. It also has dedicated the Ruth and Bill Scott Student Plaza, which includes an architectural feature by world-renowned architect and artist James Carpenter. State funding has provided for the renovation of Poynter, Bennett and Wittson Halls, three of the oldest buildings on UNMC's campus. Future openings and project completion dates include a \$35 million College of Pharmacy building, a \$6 million redevelopment and expansion of the campus fitness facility and, in Kearney, a new nursing and allied health education facility, all in 2015; a new ambulatory care facility in 2016, and a \$323 million cancer campus in 2017.

UNMC's history dates back to 1881, when Nebraska's first medical college opened. Reorganized and renamed the Omaha Medical College the following year, the school became affiliated with the University of Nebraska in 1902. Dental instruction was added in 1903, and by 1919 the school became the College of Dentistry. The School of Pharmacy became part of the professional curriculum in Lincoln in 1908, and the School of Nursing was established in 1917 and became a college in 1972. The training of allied health professionals began in the early 1930s with classes in medical technology and radiologic technology. By the end of World War II, the university had established programs in all healthcare disciplines.

Since the restructuring of the University of Nebraska in 1968, the Board of Regents has consolidated the university's major healthcare programs under UNMC. The College of Pharmacy and the College of Dentistry joined UNMC in 1972 and 1979, respectively.

### *University of Nebraska at Omaha*

**Campus:** 6001 Dodge St., Omaha, NE 68182, phone (402) 554-2800 or (402) 554-2358, toll-free phone in Nebraska and Iowa (800) 858-8648, website — [www.unomaha.edu](http://www.unomaha.edu)

**Chancellor:** John E. Christensen

Located in the heart of Omaha, the University of Nebraska at Omaha (UNO) is a premier metropolitan university. Since its inception in 1908, UNO has been firmly anchored in the community, forging partnerships with business, education, government, arts and civic organizations. UNO offers an academically rigorous experience to a diverse student body of over 15,000 students.

With global reach and vision, UNO is large enough to provide the opportunities students seek, yet with student to faculty ratios of 17:1 (undergraduate) and 13:1 (graduate), personal enough to provide the mentorship they need to achieve academic excellence, creativity and engaged learning at competitive tuition rates.

Academic emphasis is placed on the following priority areas: STEM, early childhood, sustainability, global engagement and doctoral/research. UNO's six colleges are dedicated to providing rigorous undergraduate and graduate academic programs, taught by faculty who are national or international experts in their fields. All of UNO's colleges offer unique opportunities for undergraduate and graduate research and hands-on experiences that are critical to a competitive global marketplace. Colleges include: Arts and Sciences; Business Administration; Communication, Fine Arts, and Media; Education; Information Science and Technology; and Public Affairs and Community Service.

Two new unique buildings recently opened on campus: the Biomechanics Research Building and the Barbara Weitz Community Engagement Center, each the only of its kind in the world. Growth continues with the new on-campus UNO/Community arena planned to open in fall of 2015.

UNO students have the opportunity to be involved on campus in over 120 student groups and organizations. UNO student athletes compete in 15 men's and women's Division I sports. Student research opportunities are cultivated through the Office of Research and Creative Activity, with over 200 undergraduate and graduate students presenting at the 2014 research fair.

UNO is committed to and engaged with the city of Omaha, allowing students unique hands-on learning opportunities, internships, service learning, applied research and other collaborative activities that enhance time in the classroom.

UNO is recognized by U.S. News and World report as having one of the top 20 online bachelor's programs and nationally ranked graduate programs; recognized as the top public four-year university for military friendliness by Military Times; the first Nebraska school in the Clinton Global Initiative University global research network; listed on the President's Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll since the inception of the award; and receives millions of research dollars from national funding agencies including National Institutes of Health, U.S. Department of Defense, National Science Foundation and NASA.

The North Central Association of Colleges and Schools and various specialized accreditation boards accredit the university.

## Nebraska State College System

Nebraska's state colleges were established in 1867 when Nebraska achieved statehood. Peru State College became Nebraska's first public postsecondary institution. The Legislature provided for three additional teacher education schools (Normal Schools) at Kearney in 1903, Wayne in 1910 and Chadron in 1911. In 1963, the Legislature designated these schools as Chadron State College, Kearney State College, Peru State College and Wayne State College. Kearney State College became part of the University of Nebraska system in 1991.

The three state colleges are governed by a constitutional board, known as the Board of Trustees of the Nebraska State College System.<sup>3</sup>

### *Chadron State College*

**Campus:** 1000 Main St., Chadron, NE 69337-2690, phone (308) 432-6000, fax (308) 432-6464, website — [www.csc.edu](http://www.csc.edu)

**President:** Randy Rhine

The 1909 Legislature provided for a new higher education institution in northwest Nebraska. The Board of Education of State Normal Schools selected Chadron as the location of its fourth institution in January 1910. The school opened in June 1911.

Chadron State has evolved into a comprehensive college with a wide range of

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<sup>3</sup> For more information on the Board of Trustees of the Nebraska State College System, see Page 597.

programs. It is the only four-year and graduate degree-granting college in western Nebraska and is fully accredited by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools and subject-oriented accrediting agencies.

The college offers undergraduate programs in 72 majors or endorsements and has numerous professional studies options. Many preprofessional programs in the health sciences are available, including the Rural Health Opportunities Program, conducted jointly with the University of Nebraska Medical Center, and the High Plains Health Opportunities Program, offered with Creighton University in Omaha.

Chadron State confers the following advanced degrees: master of arts in education, master of business administration, master of education and master of science in organizational management.

Approximately 2,800 students are enrolled at Chadron State. On-campus housing is available in five residence halls or a family apartment complex. The 281-acre campus includes 24 buildings, five of which are listed in the National Register of Historic Places.

Chadron State has long been a pioneer of distance education. Many courses and programs are available over the Internet. Twelve degree options are available online. A large number of courses and workshops are offered during the summer.

In 2002, the college renovated its former library into the Mari Sandoz High Plains Heritage Center, which pays tribute to the author and includes exhibits on the development of the region. Laboratory and research facilities are available in seven classroom buildings and the Reta E. King Library.

The conferencing office facilitates many activities on campus, including group gatherings, Elderhostels, youth camps and contests, professional association meetings, legislative hearings, and state and national workshops.

The college serves as a regional center for the arts, humanities and economic development. The Galaxy Series, which sponsors exhibits, concerts and presentations by nationally and internationally known performers, is among the cultural opportunities available.

Chadron State's intercollegiate athletic teams participate in the NCAA Division II and belong to the Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference. The college also has a rodeo team that has produced numerous national champions in the past decade.

There are more than 60 student clubs and organizations on campus.

### *Peru State College*

**Campus:** P.O. Box 10, Peru, NE 68421, phone (402) 872-3815, fax (402) 872-2375, website — [www.peru.edu](http://www.peru.edu)

**President:** Daniel Hanson

Peru State College was established as Peru Normal School in 1860 under a charter granted by the territorial Legislature. The school opened in 1866 as Mt. Vernon Seminary. In 1867, the Legislature accepted the school as a gift from the Board of Trustees and it was renamed the Nebraska State Normal School. The school was the first college or university in Nebraska and the third teacher training institution west of the Missouri River.

Until 1905, Peru Normal School was the only state college. In 1921, the Legislature

made normal schools four-year colleges and authorized the granting of bachelor of arts, bachelor of science and bachelor of fine arts degrees in education. The school was known as the Nebraska State Teachers College at Peru. In 1949, the Legislature authorized liberal arts degrees. In 1963, the Legislature changed the college's name to Peru State College.

Teacher education is one of the largest programs at Peru State College, including a graduate-level teacher education program. The college also offers preprofessional programs and participates in the Rural Health Opportunities Program conducted jointly with the University of Nebraska Medical Center. The administration of PSC includes the School of Arts and Sciences, the School of Professional Studies and the School of Education. All programs are accredited by the HLC of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools.

Peru State College offers coursework throughout its 19-county service area in southeastern Nebraska. Distance learning technology and online coursework make up a growing portion of the approximately 2,400 students served by the college.

Peru State College is governed by the Board of Trustees of the Nebraska State College System.

### *Wayne State College*

**Campus:** 1111 Main St., Wayne, NE 68787, phone (402) 375-7000, fax (402) 375-7204, website — [www.wsc.edu](http://www.wsc.edu)

**President:** Curt Frye

Wayne State College is a four-year school that offers a variety of degrees, including bachelor of arts, bachelor of science, master of business administration, master of science in education and education specialist in school administration. The college also offers preprofessional programs and participates in the Rural Health Opportunities Program, conducted jointly with the University of Nebraska Medical Center.

Students select from areas of study in four schools: the School of Arts and Humanities, the School of Business and Technology, the School of Education and Counseling and the School of Natural and Social Sciences. The college's continuing education program offers undergraduate and graduate courses at various locations in northeast Nebraska.

The College Center in South Sioux City is a unique higher education partnership between Wayne State College and Northeast Community College. The partnership allows students to take all of the necessary classes at the College Center to earn certificates, diplomas and associate, bachelor's and master's degrees in a variety of areas including elementary education, business administration and criminal justice. In addition to classrooms, laboratories and staff and faculty offices, the \$12 million facility features study areas, meeting and conference rooms, a community meeting room, bookstore and a student center with computers, printers, copiers and other resources. The 39,600 square-foot building opened for classes in March 2011.

Wayne State College has about 3,600 students (3,000 full-time equivalent). The college's 128-acre campus encompasses the Northeast Nebraska Arboretum and Nature Center and includes 22 major buildings. All programs are accredited by the North Central

Association of Colleges and Schools and the National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education.

Wayne State was founded by educator James M. Pile in 1891 as a private college known as the Nebraska Normal College. The Legislature authorized purchase of the college in 1909, and it opened as a state normal school in September 1910, offering two-year programs in teacher education.

The 1921 Legislature added “Teachers College” to the normal school name and authorized the granting of bachelor of arts in education degrees. The 1949 Legislature dropped normal school from the name to create the Nebraska State Teachers College at Wayne. At the same time, it granted authority to offer bachelor of arts degrees in liberal arts. The graduate program leading to a master’s degree was authorized in 1955, and in 1963, the Legislature changed the college’s name to Wayne State College. The education specialist in school administration and master of business administration degrees were approved by the State College Board of Trustees in 1981 and 1991, respectively.

## Community College System

A statewide system of locally governed community colleges was created in 1971 when the Legislature combined all public two-year schools in Nebraska. Five junior colleges (Fairbury, McCook, Nebraska Western at Scottsbluff, Platte at Columbus and Northeast Nebraska Technical College at Norfolk), five area vocational technical schools (Omaha, Lincoln, Central Nebraska at Hastings, Mid-Plains at North Platte and Northeast at Norfolk), and two state schools (Nebraska Technical at Milford and Western Nebraska at Sidney) formed the Nebraska Technical Community College Areas.

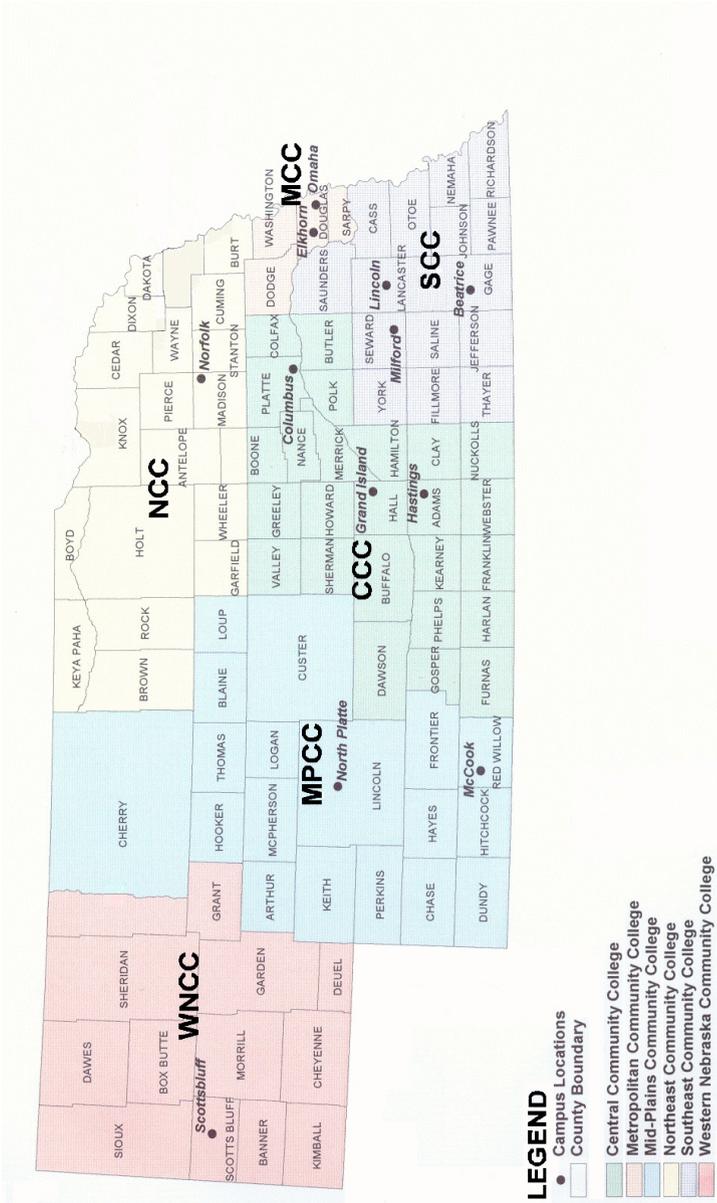
The six community college areas have 13 campuses and several off-campus sites. The Central Community College Area has campuses at Columbus, Grand Island and Hastings and centers at Holdrege, Kearney and Lexington. The Metropolitan Community College Area has campuses at Elkhorn Valley, Fort Omaha and South Omaha and centers at Fremont, Offutt Air Force Base and La Vista. The Mid-Plains Community College Area has McCook Community College, two campuses at North Platte Community College and extended campuses at Broken Bow, Imperial, Ogallala and Valentine. The Northeast Community College Area has one campus in Norfolk and centers at O’Neill, South Sioux City and West Point. The Southeast Community College Area has campuses at Beatrice, Lincoln and Milford. The Western Nebraska Community College Area has one campus at Scottsbluff and centers at Sidney and Alliance.

Control over financing of the state’s community colleges is vested in area boards of governors. The colleges are financed by local property taxes, which are levied in the area by each board; state general fund appropriations; and tuition and fees set by each area board. The state general fund appropriations are distributed to the six areas based primarily on two formulas: an enrollment-driven formula and an equalization formula.

The role and mission priorities of Nebraska’s community colleges are:

- applied technology and occupational education, and when necessary, foundations education
- transfer education, including general academic transfer programs, or applied technology and occupational programs that may be applicable to the first two years of

# Nebraska Community Colleges\* Areas and Campus Locations



\* Source: Nebraska Community College Association

a bachelor's degree program, and when necessary, foundations education

- public service, particularly adult continuing education for occupations and professions, economic and community development focused on customized occupational assessment and job training programs for business and communities, and vocational and personal development courses

- applied research

All campuses in Nebraska's community college system are accredited by the Higher Learning Commission.

## Central Community College Area

**Area Office:** 3134 W. Highway 34, P.O. Box 4903, Grand Island, NE 68802-4903, phone (308) 398-4222, website — [www.cccneb.edu](http://www.cccneb.edu)

**College President:** Greg P. Smith

Central Community College was formed in 1973, when the Legislature merged the Hastings Campus (including a practical nursing program at Kearney) with the Columbus Campus. Central administration offices were established in Grand Island in 1974, and the Grand Island Campus opened two years later.

The college offers 33 career and technical education programs with a focus on degree, diploma and certificate programs requiring two years or less to complete. The college also offers an academic transfer program for students who want to complete the first two years of a bachelors degree before transferring to a four-year college or university. Transfer graduates can earn either an associate of arts or associate of science degree.

In addition to the three campuses, the college operates centers in Holdrege, Kearney, Ord and Lexington, offers classes in more than 90 communities throughout its 25-county service area, provides training and development for businesses, industries and other organizations and offers degrees, diplomas, certificates and more than 250 courses online. Students can complete all courses needed to earn an associate of arts or associate of science degree through online learning.

Credit classes are offered off-campus through learning centers. These classes include individualized study, satellite broadcast and computer classes. Adult Education serves the community by offering free classes in literacy, GED and English as a second language to anyone age 16 or older who is not in school.

### *Columbus Campus*

**Campus:** 4500 63rd St., P.O. Box 1027, Columbus, NE 68602-1027, phone (402) 564-7132, toll-free phone (877) 222-0780

**Campus President:** Matt Gotschall

The 90-acre Columbus Campus, formerly named Platte County Junior College, was established in 1969 as Nebraska's first county-supported community college. The Columbus Campus offers associate of applied science degrees, one-year diplomas and certificates in 15 career technical education programs including agribusiness, business, nursing, information technology, mechatronics, manufacturing and related occupations. Associate of arts and associate of science degrees are offered through the academic transfer program, which provides the first two years of a bachelor's degree. Courses

are offered in 33 academic transfer subject areas. Two residence halls provide housing for 160 students.

### *Grand Island Campus*

**Campus:** 3134 W. Highway 34, P.O. Box 4903, Grand Island, NE 68802-4903, phone (308) 398-4222, toll-free phone (877) 222-0780

**Campus President:** Thomas Walker

The 64-acre Grand Island Campus offers associate of applied science degrees, one-year diplomas, and certificates in 22 career and technical education programs in business, health and human services, mechanical and related occupations, and industrial technology. Associate of arts and associate of science degrees are offered through the academic transfer program, which provides the first two years of a bachelor's degree. Academic transfer courses are offered in 30 academic transfer subject areas. Housing is available in a privately owned apartment complex on the campus.

### *Hastings Campus*

**Campus:** East Highway 6, 550 S. Technical Blvd., P.O. Box 1024, Hastings, NE 68902-1024, phone (402) 463-9811, toll-free phone (877) 222-0780, website — [www.cccneb.edu/hastingscampus](http://www.cccneb.edu/hastingscampus)

**Campus President:** Bill Hitesman

The 600-acre Hastings Campus, formerly the Central Nebraska Technical College, was established in 1966 as Nebraska's first area vocational-technical college. The campus offers associate of applied science degrees, diplomas and certificates in various career and technical programs in business, marketing and management; environmental and agricultural systems; communication and information systems; skilled and technical sciences; health sciences; and human services and resources. Associate of arts and associate of science degrees are offered through the academic transfer program. Six residence halls provide housing for 400 students.

### *Holdrege Center*

**Center:** 1308 Second St., P.O. Box 856, Holdrege, NE 68949, phone (308) 995-8133, toll-free phone (877) 222-0780

**Center Director:** Diana Watson

The Holdrege Center was established in 1995 to provide access to college credit courses in south central Nebraska. Programs facilitated through the center include a learning center for students working on degrees or diplomas, telecommunication courses, Web courses, lab instruction and community and adult education. Health related areas of study include classes in nursing assistant and medical aide. Other specialized workshops are available to the general public and for business and industry training.

### *Kearney Center*

**Center:** 3519 Second Ave., Kearney, NE 68847, phone (308) 338-4000, toll-free phone (877) 222-0780

**Practical Nursing Coordinator:** Stacy Werner

**Regional Coordinator:** Michael Cox

The Kearney Center began in 1958 as a practical nursing education program sponsored by Kearney public schools. Area Vocational School #1, later known as Central Nebraska Technical College, opened in 1966. The Kearney practical nursing program became part of Central Community College in 1970.

Multiple educational opportunities are offered through the nursing department. Additional programs at the Kearney Center include both credit and non-credit learning center lecture classes, independent study, lab instruction and telecommunication courses, community education, business and industry training, other health classes, training and development offerings and adult education.

*Lexington Center*

**Center:** 1501 Plum Creek Parkway, P.O. Box 827, Lexington, NE 68850-0827, phone (308) 324-8480, toll-free phone (877) 222-0780

**Associate Dean of Extended Learning Services:** Dr. Kelly Christensen

Central Community College established the Lexington Center in 1976. Programs facilitated through the center include a learning center for students working on degrees or diplomas, telecommunication courses, Web courses, lab instruction and community and adult education. Health related areas of study include classes in nursing assistant, medication aide, CPR, EMS training, nursing continuing education and the Dawson County nursing program. In addition, welding, other technical courses and specialized workshops are available on demand. The Lexington Center serves 10 communities in the area.

**Metropolitan Community College Area**

**Area Office:** 30th and Fort streets, P.O. Box 3777, Omaha, NE 68103-0777, phone (402) 457-2400, toll-free phone (800) 228-9553, website — [www.mccneb.edu](http://www.mccneb.edu)

**President:** Randy Schmailzl

Metropolitan Community College was established in 1974 primarily to serve Dodge, Douglas, Sarpy and Washington counties.

Metropolitan Community College has three main campuses and four centers. Credit and noncredit classes are regularly held at these locations as well as more than 100 off-campus sites.

*Elkhorn Valley Campus*

**Location:** 204th Street and West Dodge Road

**Dean:** Larry Lindberg

The Elkhorn Valley Campus opened in 1980. It underwent a remodeling in 2007 that updated the commons area, student services, bookstore and entrance. The campus specializes in technology and graphic communications.

### *Fort Omaha Campus*

**Location:** 30th and Fort streets

**Dean:** Julie Langholdt

The Fort Omaha Campus covers 70 acres of a former Army post built in 1868. The campus is home to MCC's acclaimed Institute for the Culinary Arts as well as the horticulture program.

### *South Omaha Campus*

**Location:** 27th and Q streets

**Dean:** Arlene Jordan

The South Omaha Campus opened in 1978. The Connector opened in 2007, providing additional space as well as linking the existing campus buildings and symbolically reinforcing the College's connection to the community. A joint library with Omaha Public Libraries opened in 2008.

### *Sarpy Center*

**Location:** 91st and Giles Road

**Associate Dean:** Ingrid Berlin

The Sarpy Center and La Vista Public Library opened in 1999 as a partnership between MCC and the city of La Vista to combine resources to serve students, library users, and the community.

### *Fremont Area Center*

**Location:** 9th and Broad streets

**Executive Director:** Todd Hansen

The Fremont Center opened in 1986 in a leased location to serve the Fremont and Dodge County communities. The Center moved to a permanent home in 2007 with expanded classroom and office space as well as a state-of-the-art CNA lab.

### *Bellevue Center*

**Location:** Arboretum Drive and Highway 370; Offutt Air Force Base

**Executive Director:** Bobby Loud

In late 2005, a partnership for learning was approved by MCC's Board of Governors and the Bellevue Board of Education to improve access and expand course offerings to the Bellevue and Offutt communities. Classes are held at Bellevue West High School and Offutt, and the Center's support staff are located in the Bellevue Public School Support Center on Arboretum Drive.

## **Mid-Plains Community College Area**

**Area Office:** 601 W. State Farm Road, North Platte, NE 69101, phone (308) 535-3600, toll-free phone (800) 658-4308, fax (308) 535-3794, website — [www.mppcc.edu](http://www.mppcc.edu)

**President:** Ryan Purdy

Mid-Plains Community College Area is a comprehensive, public, two-year community college system consisting of McCook Community College, North Platte Community College, divisions of Mid-Plains Community College and extended campuses located in Broken Bow, Imperial, Ogallala and Valentine.

MPCCA offers vocational-technical education, academic transfer education, developmental education, continuing education, student services, public service programming and institutional support services.

### *McCook Community College*

**Campus:** 1205 E. Third St., McCook, NE 69001, phone (308) 345-8100, toll-free phone (800) 658-4348, fax (308) 345-8180

**Vice President:** Andy Long

McCook Community College - a division of Mid-Plains Community College, was founded in 1926 as McCook Junior College and was the first two-year college in Nebraska. The campus provides two-year academic and preprofessional transfer programs, one- and two-year vocational programs including graphic design, early childhood, emergency medical technician, welding, fire science and accelerated EMT-paramedic. The campus also offers business, online and distance learning programs and courses, credit and noncredit classes in area communities, specialized business training and short course workshops.

### *North Platte Community College*

**Vice President:** Jody Tomanek

North Platte Community College - a division of Mid-Plains Community College was created when Mid-Plains Vocational-Technical College, established by the 1965 Legislature, merged with North Platte Junior College, established by the North Platte school system in 1964.

**North Platte Community College South Campus:** 601 W. State Farm Road, North Platte, NE 69101, phone (308) 535-3600, toll-free phone (800) 658-4308, fax (308) 534-3793

The NPCC South Campus provides two-year academic programs in sciences, humanities, mathematics, information technology, graphic design and business, one- and two-year health occupations, community service short courses and workshops.

**North Platte Community College North Campus:** 1101 Halligan Drive, North Platte, NE 69101, phone (308) 535-3600, toll-free phone (800) 658-4308, fax (308) 535-5770

The NPCC North Campus offers transportation and building trades related subject disciplines that lead to certificates, diplomas and associate degrees. The North Campus also is home to the College's Center For Enterprise which focuses on professional/employee, business and economic/community development and customized training.

## Northeast Community College Area

**Area Office:** 801 E. Benjamin Ave., P.O. Box 469, Norfolk, NE 68702-0469, phone (402) 844-7055, toll-free phone (800) 348-9033, fax (402) 844-7391, website — [www.northeast.edu](http://www.northeast.edu)

**Area President:** Michael Chipps

**Campus:** 801 E. Benjamin Ave., Norfolk, NE 68702-0469, phone (402) 371-2020, toll-free phone (800) 348-9033, fax (402) 844-7400

The Northeast Community College Area was formed by the 1973 merger of Northeastern Nebraska College and Northeast Nebraska Technical College.

The Northeast Community College Area is the only community college area in the state with one main campus, with education centers in O'Neill and West Point and the College Center in South Sioux City. The college awards associate degrees in nursing and applied science, associate of arts and associate of science degrees, as well as certificates and diplomas.

The college offers more than 80 vocational, technical, liberal arts and business certificate, diploma and degree programs and concentrations that transfer to a four-year institution or lead to immediate employment. Northeast's adult and continuing education program assists people with high school degree completion, job skills upgrades, new career exploration and personal interest development.

## Southeast Community College Area

**Area Office:** 301 S. 68th St. Place, Lincoln, NE 68510, phone (402) 323-3400, website — [www.southeast.edu](http://www.southeast.edu)

**Area President:** Paul Illich

Southeast Community College is a two-year community college with campuses in Beatrice, Lincoln and Milford. Together, these campuses offer training in more than 50 vocational/technical programs, as well as the academic transfer program at the Beatrice and Lincoln campuses and Education Square in downtown Lincoln. The college also offers continuing education classes on the campuses and in each of the 15 counties within the SCC area.

### *Beatrice Campus*

**Campus:** 4771 W. Scott Road, Beatrice, NE 68310, phone (402) 228-3468, toll-free phone (800) 233-5027

**Campus Director:** Robert Morgan

The Beatrice Campus offers vocational programs in agriculture, business, office professional, practical nursing and criminal justice. SCC-Beatrice also offers an academic transfer program for students wishing to earn the first two years of a bachelor's degree. Academic transfer students can prepare for further education in medicine, law, journalism, music, theater, art and other areas.

SCC-Beatrice awards associate of arts, associate of science and associate of applied science degrees. Diplomas and certificates are awarded in some vocational programs. SCC-Beatrice also serves Beatrice and the surrounding area with continuing education classes and customized training for business and industry.

### *Lincoln Campus*

**Campus:** 8800 O St., Lincoln, NE 68520, phone (402) 471-3333, toll-free phone (800) 642-4075

**Downtown Location:** Education Square, 1111 O St., Lincoln, NE 68508, phone (402) 323-3441

**Jack J. Huck Continuing Education Center:** 301 S. 68th St. Place, Lincoln, NE 68510, phone (402) 437-2700

**Campus Director:** Bev Harvey

SCC-Lincoln offers vocational and technical programs in agriculture, food, natural resources, business, communications and information technology, community services and resources, electronics, health sciences and transportation and manufacturing. SCC-Lincoln also offers an academic transfer program for students wishing to earn the first two years of a bachelor's degree. A variety of evening and part-time educational opportunities also are available.

SCC-Lincoln awards associate of arts, associate of science and associate of applied science degrees. Some vocational programs also award diplomas and certificates. SCC-Lincoln serves Lancaster County and the surrounding area with an extensive schedule of continuing education classes and customized training for business and industry.

### *Milford Campus*

**Campus:** 600 State St., Milford, NE 68405, phone (402) 761-2131, toll-free phone (800) 933-7223

**Campus Director:** Ed Koster

Applied technology education on the Milford Campus began in 1941 when it was established as Nebraska's first trade school. SCC-Milford now offers applied technology programs that confer diplomas, certificates and associate of applied science degrees. The campus offers programs in business, construction, electronics and computers, diversified manufacturing, geographic information systems, manufacturing and transportation and energy generation operations. SCC-Milford also provides technical continuing education courses and customized training for business and industry. SCC-Milford is a leader in the development of partnerships with businesses, including John Deere, Ford, General Motors and Chrysler.

## **Western Nebraska Community College Area**

**Area Office:** 1601 E. 27th St., Scottsbluff, NE 69361, phone (308) 635-3606, toll-free phone (800) 348-4435, website — [www.wncc.edu](http://www.wncc.edu)

**Area President:** Todd Holcomb

Western Nebraska Community College, founded in 1926, is a two-year community college serving western Nebraska. The college consists of campuses in Scottsbluff, Alliance and Sidney.

WNCC offers a variety of academic transfer/associate degree programs, vocational/technical programs, adult education and community service programs (credit and noncredit) and high school equivalency programs. Courses also are offered at several

additional off-campus learning centers throughout western Nebraska. Arrangements can be made for special on-site community service and industrial courses or training programs.

### *Scottsbluff Campus*

**Campus:** 1601 E. 27th St., Scottsbluff, NE 69361, phone (308) 635-3606, toll-free phone (800) 348-4435

**President:** Dr. Todd Holcomb

### *Alliance Campus*

**Campus:** 1750 Sweetwater Ave., Alliance, NE 69301, phone (308) 763-2000, toll-free phone (888) 559-9622

**Campus Director:** Ellen Dillon

### *Sidney Campus*

**Campus:** 371 College Drive, Sidney, NE 69162, phone (308) 254-5450, toll-free phone (800) 222-9682

**Campus Director:** Paula Abbott

## Nebraska Community College Association

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**Executive Director:** Dennis G. Baack

The Nebraska Community College Association is a nonprofit corporation that provides coordination services among the member community college areas and between the system and other state agencies. Coordination services include preparation of a system strategic plan; coordination of the budget request for the biennium; facilitation of program needs assessment and articulation; recommendation and facilitation of the appointment of representatives to committees, boards, commissions, task forces, and any other state-level bodies requesting or requiring participation from the community college system; and facilitation of responses to data and information requests for the system.

Membership in the association is voluntary. The board of directors includes two representatives from each member's board of governors.

## Private Colleges and Universities

### *Bellevue University*

**Campus:** 1000 Galvin Road South, Bellevue, NE 68005, phone (402) 293-2000, toll-free phone in United States (800) 756-7920, email address — [onestop@bellevue.edu](mailto:onestop@bellevue.edu), website — [www.bellevue.edu](http://www.bellevue.edu)

**Bellevue University in West Omaha:** Lozier Professional Center, 2810 N. 118th St., Omaha, NE 68164, phone (402) 293-2000

**Bellevue University in Southwest Omaha:** 16820 Frances St., Omaha, NE 68130, phone (402) 293-2000

**Bellevue University in Lincoln:** Taylor Meadows Office Park, 1001 S. 70th St., Lincoln, NE 68510, phone (402) 475-2255

**Bellevue University in Grand Island:** Central Community College Campus, 3134 W. Highway 34, Grand Island, NE, 68802, phone (308) 381-8988

**Bellevue University in McCook:** McCook Community College, 1205 E. Third St., McCook, NE 69001, phone (308) 345-8118

**Bellevue University in North Platte:** North Platte Community College, 601 W. State Farm Road, North Platte, NE 69101, phone (308) 534-2359

**President:** Mary Hawkins

Bellevue University is a fully accredited independent college serving nearly 8,000 students annually and accommodating working adult students and organizations, in addition to traditional undergraduate students. The school offers accelerated degree completion programs, online programs, an online library and cooperative credit transfer agreements. Associate's degrees are accepted in full, and credit is given for corporate and military training.

More than 50 majors are offered in the College of Arts and Sciences, the College of Business, the College of Information Systems and the College of Professional Studies. Classes are held at the main campus in Bellevue; the Lozier Professional Center in west Omaha; The Lakeside Center in southwest Omaha; Taylor Meadows Office Park in Lincoln; Central Community College in Grand Island; McCook Community College, a division of Mid-Plains Community College; North Platte Community College, a division of Mid-Plains Community College; corporate locations; and several satellite centers throughout Iowa, South Dakota, Kansas and Missouri.

Bellevue University is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools.

### *Clarkson College*

**Campus:** 101 S. 42nd St., Omaha, NE 68131, phone (402) 552-3100, toll-free phone (800) 647-5500, website — [www.clarksoncollege.edu](http://www.clarksoncollege.edu)

**President:** Louis Burgher

Clarkson College core programs include associate, bachelor's and master's degrees and post-master certificates in the areas of nursing, allied health, health care business and professional development.

At the master's degree level in nursing, students may pursue nursing education, family nurse practitioner and nursing health care leadership as speciality options. In the area of allied health, the college offers an associate degree in physical therapy assistant and radiological technology, a bachelor's degree in medical imaging and certificates in picture archiving and communication systems. Health care business options range from certificates to a master's degree. Professional development and continuing education opportunities also are available.

The vision of Clarkson College is to develop health care professionals for today and tomorrow and the mission is to provide high quality, ethical and compassionate health care services. Clarkson College is an educational partner with the Nebraska Medical Center and is nationally accredited through the Higher Learning Commission North Central Association of Colleges and Schools.

### *College of Saint Mary*

**Campus:** 7000 Mercy Road, Omaha, NE 68106, phone (402) 399-2400, toll-free phone (800) 926-5534, website — [www.csm.edu](http://www.csm.edu)

**President:** Maryanne Stevens, RSM

College of Saint Mary (CSM) is a Catholic college dedicated to the education of women in an environment that calls forth potential and fosters leadership. The college was founded in 1923 by the Sisters of Mercy, a Catholic religious order. The 25-acre campus in central Omaha serves approximately 1,000 students from 21 states and seven foreign countries.

Bachelor and associate degrees are offered in 22 areas of study. The college offers six master's degree programs in organizational leadership, teaching, nursing, education and occupational therapy. CSM is regionally known for its programs in nursing and occupational therapy as well as programs in psychology, business, education, science, mathematics, information systems and paralegal studies. CSM also offers an accelerated degree in business leadership. This bachelor's degree program is designed for women with busy lives and meets only five times per month. A full set of career planning resources is available through the career services center.

CSM provides residence hall living for students desiring to live on campus. The college offers a special residence hall program, Mothers Living and Learning, for single mothers and their children. Other special programs include the Latina Summer Academy focusing on science and technology skills for high school Latinas and SMART (science, math and related technology), designed to ensure education majors graduate with confidence in their ability to teach math and science.

CSM is open to students of all faith traditions. The campus ministry office provides a wide range of resources to assist students with faith development, opportunities for service and opportunities for participating in liturgy. CSM is dedicated to an education of the mind, body and spirit.

CSM is fully accredited by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools and is a member of the Association of Catholic Colleges and Universities.

### *Concordia University*

**Campus:** 800 N. Columbia Ave., Seward, NE 68434, phone (402) 643-3651, toll-free phone (800) 535-5494, website — [www.cune.edu](http://www.cune.edu)

**President:** Rev. Dr. Brian L. Friedrich

Concordia University, founded in 1894, is one of nine colleges and universities belonging to the Concordia University System, under the auspices of the Lutheran Church–Missouri Synod. Concordia is a Christ-centered community that equips men and women for lives of learning, service and leadership in the church and world. Concordia offers more than 50 undergraduate majors and programs, including a bachelor of science in education, bachelor of arts, bachelor of fine arts, bachelor of music and bachelor of science. Concordia awards master's degrees in business administration, education, gerontology and aging studies, family life, human services and public health. Most of Concordia's graduate and adult programs are available at the Lincoln campus and all are

available online. The university offers a degree completion program for adult students with two or more years of college education.

Concordia is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission, a Commission of the North Central Association. Its teacher education programs are accredited by the National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education and the music program is accredited by the National Association of Schools of Music. The business program is accredited by the International Assembly of Collegiate Business Education. More than 2,200 students attend Concordia University.

### *Creighton University*

**Campus:** 2500 California Plaza, Omaha, NE 68178, phone (402) 280-2700, website — [www.creighton.edu](http://www.creighton.edu)

**Interim President:** Chris Bradberry

Creighton University was founded in 1878 in memory of Edward Creighton, a developer of the first transcontinental telegraph. It was one of the first free Catholic colleges in the United States and today is an independent, comprehensive university, one of 28 operated in the United States by the Jesuits. The campus covers more than 130 acres north of downtown Omaha near riverfront development. Creighton enrolls approximately 8,200 students from throughout the country and dozens of foreign countries.

Creighton offers associate, bachelor's, master's, first professional and doctorate degree programs. In addition to undergraduate programs in the College of Arts and Sciences, College of Business and School of Nursing, Creighton University operates professional schools in medicine, dentistry, law, nursing, pharmacy and health professions, as well as the Graduate School and University College, which serve nontraditional students. It also has an academic medical center.

Creighton University is accredited by the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools and is an NCAA Division I school. It is consistently ranked at or near the top of Midwestern universities by *U.S. News and World Report*.

### *Doane College*

**Crete Campus:** 1014 Boswell Ave., Crete, NE 68333, phone (402) 826-2161, toll-free phone (800) 333-6263, website — [www.doane.edu](http://www.doane.edu)

**Lincoln Campus:** 303 N. 52nd St., Lincoln, NE 68504, phone (402) 466-4774

**Grand Island Campus:** College Park, 3180 W. Highway 34, Grand Island, NE 68801, phone (308) 398-0800, toll-free phone (877) 443-6263

**President:** Jacque Carter

Doane College is a four-year comprehensive college that emphasizes liberal arts and career education. Students are involved in academic, career and leadership development programs. Founded in Crete in 1872, Doane was the first independent college in Nebraska and is historically affiliated with the United Church of Christ. More than 1,700 undergraduate students are enrolled at Doane's Crete campus and in adult education programs in Lincoln and Grand Island, as well as approximately 800 graduate students.

Students may earn bachelor of arts or bachelor of science degrees in 40 academic

majors. Preprofessional programs are offered in allied health careers, dentistry, engineering, forestry, law, medicine, ministry, nursing and veterinary medicine. Graduate degrees are offered in education, management and counseling.

Doane College is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Universities, the National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education of Colleges and Universities, the Association of Collegiate Business Schools and Programs and the Nebraska State Department of Education.

### *Grace University*

**Campus:** 1311 S. Ninth St., Omaha, NE 68108, phone (402) 449-2831, toll-free phone (800) 383-1422, website — [www.graceuniversity.edu](http://www.graceuniversity.edu)

**President:** David M. Barnes

Grace University provides a biblically integrated, Christ-centered education in more than 40 areas of study. The university was founded in 1943 in Omaha and has grown to include undergraduate, graduate and adult degree completion programs with class options on campus and online.

Undergraduate academic programs focus on developing servant leaders who will integrate their faith into their profession in areas such as business, communication, education, intercultural studies, law, ministry, nursing and psychology. The College of Professional and Graduate Studies offers bachelor's degrees in business leadership, ministry studies and psychology for adults enrolled in the accelerated degree completion program. Graduate students can earn master's degrees in education, teaching, counseling (concentrations in clinical mental health counseling and school counseling) and Christian ministries (concentrations in biblical studies, theological studies, ministry leadership, counseling ministry and rural church ministry).

Grace University is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools and the Association for Biblical Higher Education. It also is approved by the Nebraska State Department of Education.

### *Hastings College*

**Campus:** 710 N. Turner Ave., Hastings, NE 68901-7696, phone (402) 463-2402, toll-free phone (800) 532-7642, website — [www.hastings.edu](http://www.hastings.edu)

**President:** Don Jackson

Hastings College is a private, residential four-year college affiliated with the Presbyterian Church (USA). Currently, nearly 1,200 students can choose from more than 60 majors in 32 areas of study and 13 pre-professional programs. Hastings College also awards a master of arts in teaching degree.

Hastings College maintains a 12:1 student/faculty ratio, which helps students build lifelong relationships with their professors. During the college's unique January Term (J-Term) session, students take interdisciplinary courses—any of which are taught by distinguished visiting faculty—travel overseas and complete internships.

The Hastings College campus features state-of-the-art facilities such as the Morrison-Reeves Science Center, the Osborne Family Sports Complex and Fleharty

Educational Center and the six-building Bronco Village student apartments. Classes are still held at the stately McCormick Hall, built in 1883 as the college's first building.

In 2014, Washington Monthly ranked Hastings College 29th among some 300 baccalaureate colleges across the country, with the college's community service ranking 18th and its Peace Corps enrollment 23rd. Hastings College also was ranked 28th among 300 baccalaureate colleges as a "Biggest Bang for the Buck." In addition, Hastings College ranked 18th in *US News & World Report's* Midwest regional category in their 2015 Best Colleges Ranking. Hastings was the highest ranked Nebraska school in the category.

### *ITT Technical Institute*

**Campus:** 1120 N. 103rd Plaza, Suite 200, Omaha, NE 68114, toll-free phone (800) 677-9260, website — [www.itt-tech.edu](http://www.itt-tech.edu)

**Director:** Steve Kollar

ITT Technical Institute is authorized by the state of Nebraska and is accredited by the Accrediting Council of Independent Colleges and Schools. ITT Technical Institute is owned and operated by ITT Educational Services Inc., a leading private college system focused on technology oriented programs of study. ITT/ESI has been actively involved in the higher education community in the United States since 1969 and provides education to more than 70,000 students in 37 states.

ITT Technical Institute offers associate of applied science degree programs of study in computer and electronic engineering technology, computer drafting and design, criminal justice, information technology - computer network systems, information technology - multimedia, nursing, paralegal studies, software development technology and visual communications. Bachelor of applied science degree programs of study include construction management, data communication systems technology, digital entertainment and game design, electronics and communications engineering technology, information systems security, project management and software applications development.

The technology oriented associate and bachelor degree programs blend traditional academic instruction with practical application in a laboratory environment, and are designed to foster critical thinking, communication and teamwork skills while reinforcing both the theoretical and applied principles of technology. Each curriculum integrates technology, lifelong learning and professional development activities. Curricular integration helps students connect the entire learning process to their lifetime career goals. Students also receive instruction in general education subjects.

### *Kaplan University* **Lincoln Campus**

**Campus:** 1821 K St., Lincoln, NE 68508, phone (402) 474-5315

**Campus President:** Sandra Muskopf

Kaplan University Lincoln Campus, formerly known as Hamilton College, is a private, for-profit career school that offers bachelor's degree, associate degree, diploma and certificate programs in fields including business, allied health, practical nursing, travel and tourism, information technology, legal studies and criminal justice. The school was

founded in 1884 and was the first private business college in Nebraska. The campus currently serves more than 500 students.

Kaplan University is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission and is a member of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools.

### **Omaha Campus**

**Campus:** 5424 N. 103rd St., Omaha, NE 68134, phone (402) 431-6101

**Campus President:** Jeremy Wells

Kaplan University Omaha Campus, formerly known as Hamilton College, is a private, for-profit career school that offers bachelor's degree, associate degree, diploma and certificate programs in fields including business, allied health, practical nursing, interdisciplinary studies, information technology, legal studies and criminal justice. The Omaha campus was founded in 1891 and currently serves more than 650 students. The campus relocated in May 2008 to a newly renovated building designed to provide students with an optimal learning environment.

Kaplan University is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission and is a member of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools.

### *Little Priest Tribal College*

**Campus:** P.O. Box 270, Winnebago, NE 68071, phone (402) 878-3354, fax (402) 878-2355, website — [www.littlepriest.edu](http://www.littlepriest.edu)

**President:** Johnny D. Jones

Little Priest Tribal College is a two-year, tribally controlled community college established by the Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska in 1996. The college's purpose is to provide quality higher educational opportunities for all residents and communities in northeast Nebraska. The Winnebago language and culture is emphasized in the college's two-fold focus: to provide academic programs, and to provide community education programs for upgrading job skills and improving employability. The college offers associate of arts and associate of science degrees in the following areas: American Indian studies, liberal arts, business/computer information systems, education, science, English, human services and math. In addition, diploma programs are offered in early childhood education and computer information systems. Credit enrollment for each semester includes approximately 150 full- and part-time students.

Little Priest Tribal College was declared a land-grant institution in June 1998 and received accreditation from the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools in August 1998.

### *Midland Lutheran University*

**Campus:** 900 N. Clarkson St., Fremont, NE 68025, phone (402) 941-6048, toll-free phone (800) 642-8382, website — [www.midlandu.edu](http://www.midlandu.edu)

**President:** Jody Horner

Midland University, founded as Midland Lutheran College, is a four-year, liberal arts and sciences college affiliated with the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

It reflects the combined heritages of Luther College, which was founded in 1883 in Wahoo; Midland College, as founded in Atchison, Kan. in 1887; and Fremont Normal College in Fremont. In 1919, Midland moved to the Fremont Normal campus. In 1962, Luther College merged with Midland in Fremont, and the college was renamed Midland Lutheran College.

Students choose from nearly 50 majors and preprofessional programs leading to associate and bachelor's degrees. Students also can obtain a master of professional accounting degree. Online courses also are available. Students participate in a wide variety of cocurricular activities. The college hosts a variety of local and regional events and conferences.

All of Midland's programs, traditional, online and graduate, are fully accredited by the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools. The college also is endorsed for its academic programs by professional organizations, including the National Endowment for the Humanities and the National League for Nursing.

### *Nebraska Christian College*

**Campus:** 12550 S. 114th St., Papillion, NE 68046, phone (402) 935-9400, fax (402) 935-9500, email address — [info@nechristian.edu](mailto:info@nechristian.edu), website — [www.nechristian.edu](http://www.nechristian.edu)

**Interim President:** Anthony D. Clark

Founded in 1945, Nebraska Christian College is a private, four-year coeducational Bible college. The college is accredited by the Association for Biblical Higher Education and affiliated with the Christian Churches and Churches of Christ. About 150 students attend the college.

Nebraska Christian College prepares students for Christian ministries. Bachelor of Arts degrees are offered in biblical interpretation, children's ministry, Christian thought and humanities, family life and counseling, preaching ministry, student ministry, world missions, worship arts and marketplace ministry. Associate of arts degrees are available in general education, Christian ministry and Bible-based teacher education.

Nebraska Christian College has cooperative degree-granting programs in elementary, middle and secondary education with Grace University, York College and Bellevue University.

### *Nebraska Indian Community College*

**Macy Campus:** 111 Hwy. 75, Macy, NE 68039, phone (402) 494-2311, fax (402) 837-4183

**Santee Campus:** 415 North River Road, Niobrara, NE 68760, phone (402) 494-2311, fax (402) 857-2543

**South Sioux City Site:** 2605 1/2 Dakota Ave., South Sioux City, NE 68776, phone (402) 494-2311, fax (402) 494-6195

**President:** Michael Oltrogge

In 1973, the American Satellite Community College was organized as a branch of Northeast Technical Community College to provide postsecondary educational programs on the Omaha, Santee Sioux and Winnebago Indian reservations in Nebraska.

With passage of the federal Tribally Controlled Community Act of 1978, the two tribes chartered and organized the Nebraska Indian Comity College (NICC).

NICC offers both vocational/technical and academic transfer programs for students on the Omaha and Santee Sioux reservations. The college has 200 students. It awards associate of arts degrees in Native American studies, early childhood education, business administration, criminal justice, human services/social work and tribal business management; associate of science degrees in integrated office technology and natural resources; and an associate of applied science degree in carpentry. NICC also offers a program in computer information technology. The college is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools.

### *Nebraska Methodist College*

**Nursing, Allied Health and Health Professions Programs:** 720 N. 87th St., Omaha, NE 68114, phone (402) 354-7000, toll-free phone (800) 335-5510, website — [www.methodistcollege.edu](http://www.methodistcollege.edu)

**President:** Dennis Joslin

Nebraska Methodist College is a fully accredited, private four-year degree-granting nursing, allied health and health professions college. The college offers certificate, undergraduate and graduate programs and has an enrollment of more than 900 students.

The college offers nursing and health care programs both online and on campus. Campus based nursing programs include a bachelor of science degree in nursing, through both traditional and accelerated programs. Allied health programs offered on campus include certificates, associate degrees and bachelor's degrees in health studies, radiologic technology, physical therapist assistant, cardiovascular or diagnostic sonography, respiratory care, surgical technology, phlebotomy, medical assistant, nurse aide and medication aide. Areas of study offered online include master's degree programs in health promotion management or medical group administration. The professional development division of the college also offers a variety of health care programs granting continuing education credit to practicing professionals.

The college is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools. The nursing programs are accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education, and the allied health programs are accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs. The college also is recognized by the University Senate of the United Methodist Church.

### *Nebraska Wesleyan University*

**Campus:** 5000 St. Paul Ave., Lincoln, NE 68504-2796, phone (402) 466-2371, toll-free phone (800) 541-3818, website — [www.nebrwesleyan.edu](http://www.nebrwesleyan.edu)

**President:** Fred Ohles

Nebraska Wesleyan University is an independent, undergraduate liberal arts institution with a 50-acre campus. Founded in 1887, it maintains its relationship to the Nebraska Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church.

More than 2,100 traditional undergraduate, graduate and adult learners are enrolled

at the Lincoln campus and Omaha site. The university's academic program is organized into five divisions: fine arts, humanities, natural sciences, professional and social sciences. Fifty-three majors leading to bachelor's degrees are available in 18 departments, and students also may pursue several interdisciplinary/interdepartmental majors. Nebraska Wesleyan also offers foundation courses for future study in professional fields through its academic departments, including dentistry, medicine, nursing, law, engineering, occupational therapy, pharmacy, physical therapy, theology and veterinary science. Nebraska Wesleyan also offers four master degree programs in nursing, business administration and forensic science.

The university's programs are accredited by the Higher Learning Commission, a commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools. Nebraska Wesleyan's academic programs are accredited by the Association of Collegiate Business Schools and Programs, National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education, National Association of Schools of Music, National League for Nursing, Council on Social Work Education and Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs. Professional organizations that have approved Nebraska Wesleyan's programs are the American Chemical Society, Nebraska State Board of Education and University Senate of the United Methodist Church.

### *Summit Christian College*

**Campus:** 2025 21st St., Gering, NE 69341, phone (308) 632-6933, website — [www.summitcc.net](http://www.summitcc.net)

**President:** David K. Parrish

Founded in 1951, Summit Christian College (formerly Platte Valley Bible College) is a private, coeducational, four-year, Christian college that trains students for professional and nonprofessional ministry-related work. Students at Summit Christian College (SCC) can earn bachelor's degrees in Bible and Ministry. Students may have an emphasis in Christian Education, Ministry or Missions with either degree.

In addition to bachelor of arts and bachelor of science programs, SCC offers a two-year associate of arts degree and a one-year Bible certificate. SCC also offers a one-year certificate in Christian Foundations for immediate entrance into the secular classroom of any university, military life or the work place.

The college averages 50 students and is affiliated with the Christian Church/Churches of Christ. Courses at the college are approved for veterans.

Summit Christian College is approved by the State of Nebraska for granting degrees and certificates and holds candidate status at the undergraduate level with the Commission on Accreditation of The Association of Biblical Higher Education. SCC also is approved by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services for the training of non-immigrant foreign students.

### *Union College*

**Campus:** 3800 S. 48th St., Lincoln, NE 68506, phone (402) 486-2600, toll-free phone (800) 228-4600, fax (402) 486-2895, email address — [ucinfo@ucollege.edu](mailto:ucinfo@ucollege.edu), website — [www.ucollege.edu](http://www.ucollege.edu)

**President:** Vinita Saunder

Established in 1891, Union College is an accredited, comprehensive institution of higher education. Union College offers bachelor's degrees in more than 50 majors, collaboration agreements in engineering and other specialized fields, an honors program and a master's degree in physician assistant studies. The college enrolls more than 900 students from more than 40 states and 30 countries.

Union College's seven academic divisions are: business and computer science, fine arts, health sciences, human development, humanities, religion, and science and mathematics. The college grants degrees in bachelor of arts, bachelor of arts in theology, bachelor of music, bachelor of science, bachelor of science in nursing, bachelor of social work, bachelor of technology, associate of arts, associate of science and master of physician assistant studies.

The college's Teaching Learning Center offers support to students with certified learning differences. Union College also sponsors the George Stone School, a one-room elementary school where education majors gain experience in a multi-grade classroom.

The college is accredited by the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools, the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs, the Council on Social Work Education, the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education and the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education. The college is approved by the Accrediting Association of Seventh-day Adventist Schools, Colleges and Universities, the Nebraska State Department of Education and the Nebraska Board of Nursing.

### *Vatterott College*

**Deerfield Campus:** 11818 I St., Omaha, NE 68137, phone (402) 891-9411, fax (402) 891-9413, website — [www.vatterott-college.com](http://www.vatterott-college.com)

**Campus Director:** Brian Carroll

Vatterott College, a for-profit, private vocational school, provides training for students intending to enter a variety of career fields. The Omaha Campus offers five diploma programs in computer technology, cosmetology, dental assisting, heating, air-conditioning and refrigeration and personal fitness training; four associate of occupational studies programs in computer systems and network technology, business management, heating, air conditioning and refrigeration technology and pharmacy technician; and three associate of applied science programs in advanced medial assistant, alcohol and drug abuse counselor and veterinary technician.

The college and its programs are accredited by the Accrediting Commission of Career Schools and Colleges of Technology, the Commission on Dental Accreditation, the American Veterinarian Medical Association, the Nebraska State Board of Education and the Accrediting Bureau of Health Education Schools.

### *York College*

**Campus:** 1125 E. Eighth St., York, NE 68467-2699, phone (402) 363-5600, admissions hot line (800) 950-9675, email address — enroll@york.edu, website — www.york.edu

**President:** Steve Eckman

York College, founded in 1890, is a private liberal arts college affiliated with the churches of Christ. Popular majors leading to bachelor's degrees include biblical studies, business, communication, education, psychology and sciences. Multiple pre-professional programs also are available. The campus is located in York and includes more than 50 acres of land. York College is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools and is a member of the Nebraska Independent College Foundation.

The York Panthers compete in the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics Division II and the National Christian College Athletic Association. York College is a founding member of the Midlands Collegiate Athletic Conference, comprised of 10 liberal arts colleges.

Extracurricular activities include social clubs, varsity athletic teams, a performing arts program, forensics team, periodic literary publications and a wide range of intramural sports. The college enrolls approximately 500 students.

## LIBRARIES\*

The state of Nebraska and its subdivisions establish and maintain libraries. The Nebraska Library Commission, established by the 1901 Legislature, promotes, develops and coordinates statewide library programs and services based on acceptable library standards.<sup>4</sup>

Nebraska's state, academic, institutional, public and special libraries are listed on the following pages. All libraries can share their resources through a statewide network of multitype library systems, which are supported by the Nebraska Library Commission.

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\* For more information on Nebraska's library resources, see Pages 52 and 675-677.

<sup>4</sup> For more information on the Nebraska Library Commission, see Page 675.

## Nebraska Libraries, 2015\*\*

### State Agency Libraries

City	Library
Lincoln.....	Legislative Research Division - Reference Library Nebraska Commission on Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice Library Nebraska Department of Economic Development Research Division Library Nebraska Department of Natural Resources Library Nebraska Department of Roads Library Nebraska Game and Parks Commission Library Nebraska Library Commission Nebraska State Historical Society Library Nebraska State Library - Supreme Court Law Library

### Regional Library Systems

City	Library System
Columbus .....	Northeast Library System
Hastings .....	Republican Valley Library System
Kearney .....	Meridian Library System
Lincoln .....	Southeast Library System
Omaha .....	Eastern Library System
Scottsbluff .....	Panhandle Library System

### Institutional Libraries

City	Institution	Library
Beatrice .....	Beatrice State Developmental Center.....	Media Resource Center
Bellevue.....	Eastern Nebraska Veterans' Home.....	Library
Geneva.....	Youth Rehabilitation and Treatment Center.....	Library
Grand Island.....	Grand Island Veterans' Home.....	Library
Hastings.....	Hastings Correctional Center.....	Library
	Hastings Regional Center.....	Library
Kearney.....	Youth Rehabilitation and Treatment Center.....	Library
Lincoln.....	Diagnostic and Evaluation Center.....	Library
	Lincoln Correctional Center.....	Library
	Lincoln Regional Center.....	Morton Interim Program School Library
	Lincoln Regional Center.....	Library
	Nebraska Correctional Treatment Center.....	Library
	Nebraska State Penitentiary.....	Library Service
Nebraska City.....	Nebraska Center for the Education of Children who are Blind or Visually Impaired.....	Instructional Resource Center
Norfolk.....	Norfolk Regional Center.....	Library
	Norfolk Veterans' Home.....	Library
Omaha.....	Douglas County Correctional Center.....	Library
	Douglas County Youth Center.....	Library
	Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility.....	Library
	Omaha Correctional Center.....	Library
	Veterans Administration Medical Center.....	Learning Resource Center
Scottsbluff.....	Western Nebraska Veterans' Home.....	Library
Tecumseh.....	Tecumseh State Correctional Institution.....	Library
York.....	Nebraska Center for Women.....	Library

\*\* Source: Nebraska Library Commission.

## Nebraska Libraries, 2015 (Cont'd.)

### Postsecondary Academic Libraries

City	School	Library
Beatrice	.....Southeast Community College.....	Learning Resource Center
Bellevue	.....Bellevue University .....	Freeman/Lozier Library
Chadron	.....Chadron State College.....	Reta E. King Library
Columbus	.....Central Community College.....	Learning Resource Center, Platte Campus
Crete	.....Doane College.....	Perkins Library
Curtis	.....Nebraska College of Technical Agriculture .....	Library
Denton	.....Our Lady of Guadalupe Seminary.....	Library
Fremont	.....Midland Lutheran College.....	Luther Library
Grand Island	.....Central Community College.....	Learning Resource Center
Hastings	.....Central Community College.....	Nuckolls Library
	.....Hastings College.....	Perkins Library
Kearney	.....University of Nebraska at Kearney.....	Calvin T. Ryan Library Nebraska Vocational Curriculum Resource Center
Lincoln	.....BryanLGH .....	College of Health Sciences Library
	.....Kaplan University-Lincoln .....	Library
	.....Nebraska Wesleyan University.....	Cochrane-Woods Library
	.....Southeast Community College.....	Learning Resource Center
	.....Union College.....	Library
	.....University of Nebraska-Lincoln .....	Love Memorial Library Architecture Library Biological Sciences Library C.Y. Thompson Library Engineering Library Geology Library Mathematics Library Music Library Nursing Liaison and Chemistry Library Physics and Astronomy Library Schmid Law Library von Riesen Library
McCook	.....McCook Community College .....	Omaha Tribal Library
Macy	.....Nebraska Indian Community College .....	Stanley A. Matzke Library/Learning Resource Center
Milford	.....Southeast Community College.....	Santee Tribal Library
Niobrara	.....Nebraska Indian Community College .....	Library Resource Center
Norfolk	.....Northeast Community College.....	McDonald-Belton Campus Library
North Platte	.....North Platte Community College .....	
Omaha	.....Clarkson College .....	Library
	.....College of Saint Mary.....	Library
	.....Creighton University .....	Reinert-Alumni Memorial Library Klutznick Law Library Health Sciences Library Grewcock Library
	.....Grace University.....	Library
	.....Kaplan University-Omaha.....	Elkhorn Valley Campus Library Fort Omaha Campus Library South Omaha Campus Library
	.....Metropolitan Community College .....	John Moritz Library
	.....Nebraska Methodist College.....	Criss University Library
	.....University of Nebraska at Omaha .....	Leon S. McGoogan Library of Medicine
Papillion	.....Nebraska Christian College.....	Swedburg Library
Peru	.....Peru State College .....	Library
Scottsbluff	.....Platte Valley Bible College.....	Library
	.....Western Nebraska Community College .....	Library
Seward	.....Concordia University.....	Link Library
	.....St. Gregory the Great Seminary .....	Our Lady Seat of Wisdom Library
Sidney	.....Western Nebraska Community College .....	Library/Learning Resource Center
Wayne	.....Wayne State College.....	Conn Library
Winnebago	.....Little Priest Tribal College.....	Library
York	.....York College .....	Levitt Library Learning Center

## Nebraska Libraries, 2015 (Cont'd.)

### Public Libraries

City	Library	City	Library
Ainsworth.....	Ainsworth Public Library	Culbertson.....	Culbertson Public Library
Albion.....	Albion Public Library	Curtis.....	Klyte Burt Memorial Library
Alexandria.....	Tucker Memorial Library	Dakota City.....	Dakota City Public Library
Allen.....	Springbank Township Library	Dalton.....	Dalton Public Library
Alliance.....	Alliance Public Library	Davenport.....	Davenport Public Library
Alma.....	Hoesch Memorial Library	David City.....	Hruska Memorial Public Library
Anselmo.....	Winters Memorial Library	Dawson.....	John G. Smith Memorial Library
Ansley.....	Ansley Township Library	Daykin.....	Daykin Public Library
Arapahoe.....	Arapahoe Public Library	Deshler.....	Deshler Public Library
Arcadia.....	Arcadia Township Library	DeWitt.....	Bob and Wauneta Burkley Library and Resource Center
Arlington.....	Arlington Public Library	Dodge.....	John Rogers Memorial Library
Arnold.....	Finch Memorial Library	Dorchester.....	Dorchester Public Library
Arthur.....	Arthur County Library	Douglas.....	Douglas Public Library
Ashland.....	Ashland Public Library	Dwight.....	Dwight Community Library
Atkinson.....	Atkinson Public Library	Elgin.....	Elgin Public Library
Auburn.....	Auburn Memorial Library	Elm Creek.....	Elm Creek Public Library
Aurora.....	Alice M. Farr Library	Elmwood.....	Elmwood Public Library
Axtell.....	Axtell Public Library	Elwood.....	Elwood Public Library
Bancroft.....	Bancroft Public Library	Emerson.....	Emerson Public Library
Bartley.....	Bartley Public Library	Eustis.....	Eustis Public Library
Bassett.....	Rock County Public Library	Ewing.....	Ewing Township Library
Battle Creek.....	Battle Creek Public Library	Exeter.....	Exeter Public Library
Bayard.....	Bayard Public Library	Fairbury.....	Fairbury Public Library
Beatrice.....	Beatrice Public Library	Fairfield.....	Fairfield Public Library
Beaver City.....	Beaver City Public Library	Fairmont.....	Fairmont Public Library
Beaver Crossing.....	Beaver Crossing Community Library	Falls City.....	Falls City Library and Arts Center
Beemer.....	Karlen Memorial Library	Farnam.....	Farnam Public Library
Bellevue.....	Bellevue Public Library	Franklin.....	Franklin Public Library
Benkelman.....	Dundy County Library	Fremont.....	Keene Memorial Library
Bennington.....	Bennington Public Library	Friend.....	Gilbert Public Library
Big Springs.....	Big Springs Public Library	Fullerton.....	Fullerton Public Library
Blair.....	Blair Public Library	Geneva.....	Geneva Public Library
Bloomfield.....	Bloomfield Public Library	Genoa.....	Genoa Public Library
Blue Hill.....	Blue Hill Public Library	Gering.....	Gering Public Library
Brady.....	Brady Public Library	Gibbon.....	Gibbon Public Library
Bridgeport.....	Bridgeport Public Library	Giltner.....	Giltner Public Library
Broadwater.....	Broadwater Public Library	Glenvil.....	Brumbaugh Public Library
Broken Bow.....	Broken Bow Public Library	Gordon.....	Gordon City Library
Bruning.....	Bruning Public Library	Gothenburg.....	Gothenburg Public Library
Brunswick.....	Brunswick Public Library	Grand Island.....	Grand Island Public Library
Burwell.....	Garfield County Library	Grant.....	Hastings Memorial Library
Butte.....	Davies Memorial Library	Greeley.....	Greeley Public Library
Byron.....	Byron Public Library	Greenwood.....	Greenwood Public Library
Callaway.....	Nigel Sprouse Memorial Library	Gresham.....	Gresham Public Library
Cambridge.....	Butler Memorial Library	Gretna.....	Gretna Public Library
Carroll.....	Carroll Public Library	Guide Rock.....	Auld-Doudna Public Library
Cedar Rapids.....	Cedar Rapids Public Library	Harrison.....	Sioux County Public Library
Central City.....	Central City Public Library	Hartington.....	Hartington Public Library
Ceresco.....	Ceresco Community Library	Harvard.....	Harvard Public Library
Chadron.....	Chadron Public Library	Hastings.....	Hastings Public Library
Chappell.....	Chappell Memorial Library and Art Gallery	Hay Springs.....	Cravath Memorial Library
Clarks.....	Clarks Public Library	Hayes Center.....	Hayes Center Public Library
Clarkson.....	Clarkson Public Library	Hebron.....	Hebron Secrest Library
Clay Center.....	Clay Center Public Library	Hemingford.....	Hemingford Public Library
Clearwater.....	Clearwater Public Library	Hildreth.....	Hildreth Public Library
Columbus.....	Columbus Public Library	Holdrege.....	Holdrege Area Public Library
Comstock.....	Comstock Township Library	Hooper.....	Hooper Public Library
Cozad.....	Wilson Public Library	Howells.....	Howells Public Library
Crawford.....	Crawford Public Library	Humboldt.....	Bruun Memorial Library
Creighton.....	Creighton Public Library	Humphrey.....	Humphrey Public Library
Crete.....	Crete Public Library	Hyannis.....	Grant County Library
Crofton.....	Eastern Township Library	Imperial.....	Lied Imperial Public Library
		Indianola.....	Indianola Public Library

## Nebraska Libraries, 2015 (Cont'd.)

### Public Libraries (Cont'd.)

City	Library	City	Library
Kearney.....	Kearney Public Library		Millard Branch Library
Kimball.....	Kimball Public Library		Saddlebrook Branch Library
Laurel.....	Laurel Community Learning Center		A.V. Sorensen Branch Library
La Vista.....	LaVista Public Library		South Omaha Library
Leigh.....	Leigh Public Library		W. Clarke Swanson Branch Library
Lewellen.....	Lewellen Public Library		Charles B. Washington Branch Library
Lexington.....	Lexington Public Library		Bess Johnson Elkhorn Branch Library
Lincoln.....	Lincoln City Libraries	O'Neill.....	O'Neill Public Library
	Bennett Martin Public Library	Orchard.....	Orchard Public Library
	Victor E. Anderson Branch Library	Ord.....	Ord Township Library
	Arnold Heights Branch Library	Orleans.....	Cordelia B. Preston Memorial Library
	Bethany Branch Library		Osceola Public Library
	Loren Corey Eiseley Branch Library	Oshkosh.....	Oshkosh Public Library
	Charles H. Gere Branch Library	Osmond.....	Osmond Public Library
	South Branch Library	Overton.....	Overton Community Library
	Bess Dodson Walt Branch Library	Oxford.....	Oxford Municipal Library
	Dan A. Williams Branch Library	Palisade.....	Palisade Public Library
Litchfield.....	Litchfield Public Library	Palmer.....	Palmer Public Library
Lodgepole.....	Nancy Fawcett Memorial Library	Palmyra.....	Palmyra Memorial Library
Loomis.....	Loomis Public Library	Papillion.....	Sump Memorial Library
Louisville.....	Louisville Public Library	Pawnee City.....	Pawnee City Carnegie Public Library
Loup City.....	Loup City Library	Paxton.....	Paxton Public Library
Lyman.....	Lyman Public Library	Pender.....	House Memorial Library
Lynch.....	Lynch Public Library	Petersburg.....	Petersburg Public Library
Lyons.....	Lyons Public Library	Pierce.....	Lied Pierce Public Library
Madison.....	Madison Public Library	Pilger.....	Pilger Public Library
Mason City.....	Sunshine Township Library	Plainview.....	Plainview Carnegie Library
McCook.....	McCook Public Library	Plattsmouth.....	Plattsmouth Public Library
Mead.....	Mead Public Library	Plymouth.....	Plymouth Public Library
Meadow Grove.....	Meadow Grove Public Library	Polk.....	Polk Public Library
Merna.....	Brenizer Public Library	Ponca.....	Ponca Carnegie Library
Milford.....	Webermeier Memorial Library	Potter.....	Potter Public Library
Milligan.....	Milligan Public Library	Ralston.....	Baright Public Library
Minatare.....	Minatare Public Library	Randolph.....	Lied Randolph Public Library
Minden.....	Jensen Memorial Library	Ravenna.....	Ravenna Public Library
Mitchell.....	Mitchell Public Library	Red Cloud.....	Auld Public Library
Morrill.....	Morrill Public Library	Rising City.....	Rising City Community Library
Mullen.....	Hooker County Library	Rushville.....	Rushville Public Library
Nebraska City.....	Morton-James Public Library	St. Edward.....	St. Edward Public Library
Nehawka.....	Nehawka Public Library	St. Paul.....	St. Paul Public Library
Neigh.....	Neigh Public Library	Sargent.....	Sargent Township Library
Nelson.....	Nelson Public Library	Schuyler.....	Schuyler Public Library
Newman Grove.....	Newman Grove Public Library	Scotia.....	Scotia Public Library
Niobrara.....	Niobrara Public Library	Scottsbluff.....	Lied Scottsbluff Public Library
Norfolk.....	Norfolk Public Library	Scribner.....	Scribner Public Library
North Bend.....	North Bend Public Library	Seward.....	Seward Memorial Library
North Loup.....	North Loup Township Library	Shelby.....	Shelby Public Library
North Platte.....	North Platte Public Library	Shelton.....	Shelton Township Library
Oakdale.....	Lois Johnson Memorial Library	Shickley.....	Virgil Biegert Public Library
Oakland.....	Oakland Public Library	Shubert.....	Shubert Public Library
Oconto.....	Oconto Public Library	Sidney.....	Sidney Public Library
Ogallala.....	Goodall City Library	Silver Creek.....	Silver Creek Township Library
Omaha.....	Omaha Public Libraries	Snyder.....	Snyder Public Library
	Milton R. Abrahams Branch Library	South Sioux City.....	South Sioux City Public Library
	Benson Branch Library	Spalding.....	Spalding Public Library
	Willa Cather Branch Library	Spencer.....	Spencer Township Library
	W. Dale Clark Library (Main)	Springfield.....	Springfield Memorial Library
	Florence Branch Library	Springview.....	Keya Paha County Library
		Stanton.....	Stanton Public Library
		Stapleton.....	Logan County Public Library

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### Public Libraries (Cont'd.)

City	Library	City	Library
Stella .....	Stella Community Library	Verdon .....	Village of Verdon Library
Sterling .....	Sterling Public Library	Wahoo .....	Wahoo Public Library
Stratton .....	Stratton Public Library	Wakefield .....	Gardner Public Library
Stromsburg .....	Stromsburg Public Library	Wallace .....	Faith Memorial Library
Stuart .....	Stuart Township Library	Walthill .....	Walthill Public Library
Superior .....	Superior Carnegie Public Library	Waterloo .....	Agnes Robinson Waterloo Public Library
Sutherland .....	Sutherland Public Library	Wauneta .....	Wauneta Public Library
Sutton .....	Sutton Memorial Library	Wausa .....	Lied Lincoln Township Library
Syracuse .....	Syracuse Public Library	Wayne .....	Wayne Public Library
Table Rock .....	Table Rock Public Library	Weeping Water .....	Weeping Water Public Library
Talmage .....	Talmage Public Library	West Point .....	John A. Stahl Library
Taylor .....	Taylor Public Library	Western .....	Struckman-Baatz Memorial Library
Tecumseh .....	Tecumseh Public Library	Wilber .....	Dvoracek Memorial Library
Tekamah .....	Lied Tekamah Public Library	Wilcox .....	Wilcox Public Library
Theftord .....	Thomas County Library	Wilsonville .....	Wilsonville Public Library
Tilden .....	Raymond A. Whitver Tilden Public Library	Winside .....	Lied Winside Public Library
Tobias .....	Tobias Public Library	Wisner .....	Wisner Public Library
Trenton .....	Trenton Public Library	Wolbach .....	Wolbach Public Library
Ulysses .....	Ulysses Township Library	Wood River .....	Maltman Memorial Public Library
Valentine .....	Valentine Public Library	Wymore .....	Wymore Public Library
Valley .....	Valley Public Library	York .....	Kilgore Memorial Library
Valparaiso .....	Valparaiso Public Library	Yutan .....	Yutan Public Library
Verdigre .....	Verdigre Public Library		

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### County Law Libraries and Special Libraries

City	Library	City	Library
Ainsworth.....	Brown County Law Library Educational Service Unit No. 17 Library	Hebron.....	Sacred Heart Catholic Church Library Thayer County Law Library
Albion.....	Boone County Law Library	Holdrege.....	Educational Service Unit No. 11 Library Phelps County Law Library
Alliance.....	Box Butte County Law Library	Hyannis.....	Grant County Law Library
Alma.....	Harlan County Law Library	Imperial.....	Chase County Law Library
Arthur.....	Arthur County Law Library	Kearney.....	Buffalo County Law Library Buffalo County Historical Society Educational Service Unit No. 10 Library
Auburn.....	Educational Service Unit No. 4 Library Nemaha County Law Library	Kimball.....	Kimball County Law Library
Aurora.....	Hamilton County Law Library	Lexington.....	Dawson County Law Library
Bancroft.....	John G. Neihardt Center Library	Lincoln.....	American Historical Society of Germans from Russia Library BryanLGH Medical Center - East Campus Library BryanLGH Medical Center - West Campus Library Educational Service Unit No. 18 Library Lancaster County Law Library LDS Family History Center Library Lincoln Family Practice Program Library Lincoln Journal Star Library Madonna Rehabilitation Hospital Medical Library Nebraska Educational Television Council for Higher Education Instructional Video Library Senator J.J. Exon Library St. Elizabeth Regional Medical Center Library Tabitha Nursing Education Library United Methodist Historical Center U.S. District Court Library Assurity Insurance Company Library
Bartlett.....	Wheeler County Law Library	Loup City.....	Sherman County Law Library
Bassett.....	Rock County Law Library	Madison.....	Madison County Law Library
Beatrice.....	Educational Service Unit No. 5 Library Gage County Law Library Homestead National Monument of America Library Gage County Historical Society	McCook.....	Red Willow County Law Library
Beaver City.....	Furnas County Law Library	Milford.....	Educational Service Unit No. 6 Library
Benkelman.....	Dundy County Law Library	Minden.....	Kearney County Law Library
Blair.....	Washington County Law Library	Mullen.....	Hooker County Law Library
Boys Town.....	Girls and Boys Town High School Library Services	Nebraska City.....	Otoe County Law Library
Brewster.....	Blaine County Law Library	Neligh.....	Antelope County Law Library Educational Service Unit No. 8 Library
Bridgeport.....	Morrill County Law Library	Nelson.....	Nuckolls County Law Library
Broken Bow.....	Custer County Law Library Custer County Historical Society Library	Norfolk.....	Faith Regional Health Services, Community Health Resource Department
Burwell.....	Garfield County Law Library	North Platte.....	Lincoln County Law Library
Butte.....	Boyd County Law Library	O'Neill.....	Holt County Law Library
Center.....	Knox County Law Library	Offutt Air Force Base.....	Offutt Air Force Base Thomas S. Power Library
Central City.....	Merrick County Law Library	Ogallala.....	Educational Service Unit No. 16 Library Keith County Law Library
Chadron.....	Dawes County Law Library	Omaha.....	Alegent Health Bergan Mercy Medical Center, John D. Hartigan Medical Library Alegent Health Immanuel
Chappell.....	Deuel County Law Library		
Clay Center.....	Clay County Law Library Roman L. Hruska U.S. Meat Animal Research Center Library		
Columbus.....	Educational Service Unit No. 7 Library Platte County Law Library		
Dakota City.....	Dakota County Law Library		
David City.....	Butler County Law Library		
Elwood.....	Gosper County Law Library		
Fairbury.....	Jefferson County Law Library		
Falls City.....	Richardson County Law Library		
Franklin.....	Franklin County Law Library		
Fremont.....	Dodge County Law Library Educational Service Unit No. 2 Library		
Fullerton.....	Nance County Law Library		
Geneva.....	Fillmore County Law Library		
Gering.....	Scotts Bluff County Law Library		
Grand Island.....	Hall County Law Library Stuhr Museum of the Prairie Pioneer Library and Archives		
Grant.....	Perkins County Law Library		
Greeley.....	Greeley County Law Library		
Harrisburg.....	Banner County Law Library		
Harrison.....	Sioux County Law Library		
Hartington.....	Cedar County Law Library		
Hastings.....	Adams County Law Library Educational Service Unit No. 9 Library Mary Lanning Memorial Hospital Library		
Hayes Center.....	Hayes County Law Library		

## Nebraska Libraries, 2015 (Cont'd.) County Law Libraries and Special Libraries (Cont'd.)

City	Library	City	Library
Omaha .....	Professional Library Baird, Holm Law Offices Library Boys Town National Research Hospital Information Resources Information Resources Center Douglas County Law Library Early Childhood Training Center Library Educational Service Unit No. 3 Library Educational Service Unit No. 19 Library Great Plains Black Museum Library Douglas County Historical Society Library/Archives The Jewish Federation of Omaha, Kripke Federation Library Joslyn Art Museum, Milton R. and Pauline S. Abrahams Library Kutak Rock Law Library Lauritzen Gardens Library John Moritz Library, Nebraska Methodist Health System Metropolitan Area Planning Agency Library National Park Service Midwest Regional Office Library Omaha World-Herald Library Stinson, Mag & Fizzell Law Library U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Omaha District Library U.S. District Court Library Woodmen of the World Life Insurance Company Library Center for Biopreparedness Education Library	Plattsmouth.....	Cass County Law Library
		Ponca.....	Dixon County Law Library
		Red Cloud.....	Willa Cather Pioneer Memorial and Educational Foundation Webster County Historical Museum Library Webster County Law Library
		Rushville .....	Sheridan County Historical Society Library Sheridan County Law Library
		St. Paul.....	Howard County Law Library
		Schuyler.....	Cargill Community Learning Center Library Colfax County Law Library
		Scottsbluff.....	Educational Service Unit No. 13 Library Regional West Medical Center Health Library West Nebraska Family Research and Historical Center Library
		Seward.....	Seward County Law Library
		Sidney.....	Cheyenne County Law Library
		Springview.....	Keya Paha County Law Library
		Stanton.....	Stanton County Law Library
		Stapleton.....	Logan County Law Library
		Stockville.....	Frontier County Law Library
		Taylor .....	Loup County Law Library
		Tecumseh.....	Johnson County Law Library
		Tekamah .....	Burt County Law Library
		Theftord.....	Thomas County Law Library
		Trenton.....	Educational Service Unit No. 15 Library Hitchcock County Law Library
		Tryon.....	McPherson County Law Library
		Valentine.....	Cherry County Historical Society Library Cherry County Law Library Educational Service Unit 17 Media Center
Ord.....	Valley County Law Library	Wahoo .....	Saunders County Law Library
Osceola .....	Polk County Law Library	Wakefield .....	Educational Service Unit No. 1 Library
Oshkosh.....	Garden County Law Library	Wayne.....	Wayne County Law Library
Papillion.....	Sarpy County Law Library	West Point.....	Cuming County Law Library
Pawnee City.....	Pawnee County Law Library	Wilber.....	Saline County Law Library
Pender .....	Thurston County Law Library	York.....	York County Law Library
Pierce.....	Pierce County Law Library		

# NEWSPAPERS\*

## Nebraska Newspapers, 2015

Publication	Website	Phone Number
Ainsworth Star-Journal.....	www.ainsworthnews.com.....	402-387-2844
Albion News.....	www.albionnewsonline.com.....	402-395-2115
Alliance Times-Herald.....	www.alliancetimes.com.....	308-762-3060
Alma Harlan Co. Journal.....		308-928-2143
Antelope (college).....	www.unkantelope.com.....	308-865-8488
Arapahoe Public Mirror.....	www.arapahoemirror.com.....	308-962-7261
Arlington Citizen.....	www.enterprisepub.com.....	402-426-2121
Arnold Sentinel.....	www.arnoldne.org.....	308-848-2511
Arthur Enterprise.....		308-764-2402
Ashland Gazette.....	www.wahoo-ashland-waverly.com.....	402-944-3397
Atkinson Graphic.....	www.atkinsongraphic.com.....	402-925-5411
Auburn Nemaha Co. Herald.....	www.anewspaper.net.....	402-274-3185
Aurora News-Register.....	www.auroranewsregister.com.....	402-694-2131
Bassett Rock Co. Leader.....		402-684-3771
Battle Creek Enterprise.....		402-675-5333
Bayard Transcript.....		308-586-1313
Beatrice Daily Sun.....	www.beatricedailysun.com.....	402-223-5233
Beaver City Blazin' Trails Tribune.....		308-268-7090
Bellevue Leader.....	www.omaha.com.....	402-444-1242
Benkelman Post & News Chronicle.....	www.scoopmedianewspapers.com.....	308-423-2337
Bertrand Herald.....		308-472-3217
Blair Enterprise.....	www.enterprisepub.com.....	402-426-2121
Blair Washington Co. Pilot-Tribune.....	www.enterprisepub.com.....	402-426-2121
Bloomfield Monitor.....		402-373-2332
Blue Hill Leader.....		402-756-2077
Bridgeport News-Blade.....		308-262-0675
Broken Bow Custer Co. Chief.....	www.custercountychief.com.....	308-872-2471
Barwell Tribune.....	www.tribune2000.com.....	308-346-4504
Butte Gazette.....		402-775-2431
Cairo Record.....		308-485-0137
Callaway Courier.....		308-836-2200
Cambridge Clarion.....	www.cambridgeclarion.com.....	308-697-3326
Cedar Rapids Press.....		308-358-0440
Central City Republican Nonpareil.....		308-946-3081
Chadron Eagle (college).....	www.csceagle.com.....	308-432-6303
Chadron Record.....	www.thechadronnews.com.....	308-432-5511
Chappell Register.....		308-874-2207
Clarkson Colfax Co. Press.....		402-892-3544
Clearwater-Ewing Record-News.....		402-887-4840
Coleridge Blade.....		402-283-4267
Columbus Telegram.....	www.columbustelegram.com.....	402-564-2741
Cozad Tri-City Trib.....	www.tricitytrib.com.....	308-784-3644
Crawford Clipper/Harrison Sun.....		308-665-2310
Creighton News.....		402-358-5220
Creightonian (college).....	www.creightonian.com.....	402-280-4059
Crete News.....	www.cretenews.net.....	402-826-2147
Crofton Journal.....		402-388-4355
Curtis Frontier County Enterprise.....	www.hilineenterprise.com.....	308-367-4144
David City Banner-Press.....	www.columbustelegram.com/banner-press.....	402-367-3054
Deshler Rustler.....		402-365-7221
Doan Owl (college).....	www.doaneline.com.....	402-826-8657
Dodge Criterion.....		402-693-2415
Doniphan Herald.....	www.doniphanherald.com.....	402-756-2077
Elgin Review.....	www.elginreview.com.....	402-843-5500
Elkhorn Douglas County Post-Gazette.....	www.dcpstgazette.com.....	402-289-2329
Elm Creek Beacon-Observer.....		800-323-3929
Elwood Bulletin.....	www.arapahoemirror.com.....	308-785-2251
Fairbury Journal-News.....	www.fairburyjournalnews.com.....	402-729-6141
Falls City Journal.....	www.fcjournal.net.....	402-245-2431
Franklin Co. Chronicle.....		308-425-3481
Fremont Tribune.....	www.fremonttribune.com.....	402-721-5000

\* Information sources for this section include: *Nebraska Press Association Newspaper Directory*; Nebraska colleges and universities; and the publications themselves.

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Publication	Website	Phone Number
Friend Sentinel.....		402-947-2391
Fullerton Nance Co. Journal .....		308-536-3100
Gateway (college).....	www.unothegateway.com	402-554-2471
Geneva Nebraska Signal .....	www.thenebraskasignal.com	402-759-3117
Genoa Leader-Times .....		402-993-2205
Gering Citizen.....	www.geringcitizen.com	308-633-6397
Gering Courier.....	www.starherald.com/gering/	308-436-2222
Gibbon Reporter.....	www.clipperpubco.com	308-647-5158
Gordon Sheridan Co. Journal-Star .....	www.sheridancountyjournalstar.net	308-282-0118
Gothenburg Times.....	www.gothenburgtimes.com	308-537-3636
Grand Island Independent .....	www.theindependent.com	308-382-1000
Grand Island West Nebr. Register.....	www.gidiocesc.org	308-382-4660
Grant Tribune-Sentinel .....	www.granttribune.com	308-352-4311
Greeley Citizen .....		308-428-2915
Gretna Breeze .....	www.omaha.com	402-444-1242
Gretna Guide & News.....	www.depostgazette.com/gretnaguide.com/	402-332-3232
Hartington Cedar Co. News.....	www.hartington.net	402-254-3997
Hastings Collegian (college) .....		402-461-7399
Hastings Tribune .....	www.hastingstribune.com	402-462-2131
Hayes Center Times-Rep .....		308-286-3325
Hebron Journal-Register .....	www.hebronjournalregister.com	402-768-7214
Hemingford Ledger.....	www.starherald.com	308-487-3334
Henderson News.....		402-723-5861
Hickman Voice News.....	www.voicenewsnebraska.com	402-792-2255
Holdrege Citizen .....		308-995-4441
Hooper-Scribner Rustler-Sentinel .....		402-664-3198
Howells Journal .....		402-986-1777
Humboldt Standard.....		402-862-2200
Humphrey Democrat .....		402-923-1400
Hyannis Grant Co. News.....		308-458-2425
Imperial Republican.....	www.imperialrepublican.com	308-882-4453
Indianola News.....		308-364-2130
Kearney Hub.....	www.kearneyhub.com	308-237-2152
Kimball Western NE Observer .....	www.westernnebraskaobserver.net	308-235-3631
Laurel Advocate .....		402-256-3200
Leigh World.....		402-487-2218
Lexington Clipper-Herald .....	www.lexch.com	308-324-5511
Lincoln Journal Star .....	www.journalstar.com	402-475-4200
Loup City Sherman Co. Times .....		308-745-1260
Lyons Mirror-Sun.....		402-687-2616
Madison Star-Mail .....	www.madisonstar-mail.com	402-454-3818
McCook Gazette .....	www.mccookgazette.com	308-345-4500
Midland (college).....		402-721-5480
Milford Times .....		402-761-2911
Minden Courier .....	www.themindencourier.com	308-832-2220
Mitchell Index.....		308-623-1322
Mullen Hooker Co. Tribune.....	www.hooker-county.com	308-546-2242
Nebraska City News-Press .....	www.ncnewspress.com	402-873-3334
Neligh News & Leader.....		402-887-4840
Nelson Gazette.....		402-225-2301
Newman Grove Reporter.....		402-447-6012
Niobrara Tribune .....		402-857-3737
Norfolk Daily News .....	www.norfolkdailynews.com	402-371-1020
North Bend Eagle.....	www.northbendagle.com	402-652-8312
North Platte Bulletin .....	www.northplattebulletin.com	308-696-0052
North Platte Telegraph .....	www.nptelegraph.com	308-532-6000
Oakland Independent.....		402-685-5624
Ogallala Keith Co. News.....		308-284-4046
Omaha Catholic Voice .....	www.catholicvoiceomaha.com	402-558-6611
Omaha Daily Record .....	www.omahadailyrecord.com	402-345-1303
Omaha Jewish Press .....	www.jewishomaha.org	402-334-6448
Omaha World-Herald .....	www.omaha.com	402-444-1000
O'Neill Holt Co. Independent.....		402-336-1220
Orchard News .....		402-893-2535
Ord Quiz .....	www.ordquiz.com	308-728-3262
Oshkosh Garden Co. News.....	www.gardencountynews.com	308-772-3555

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Publication	Website	Phone Number
Osmond Republican.....		402-748-3666
Oxford Standard.....		308-824-3582
Palmer Journal.....		308-894-3025
Papillion/LaVista Times/Sun.....	www.omaha.com	402-444-1242
Pawnee Republican.....	www.pawneerepublican.com	402-852-2575
Pender Times.....	www.penderthurston.com	402-385-3013
Petersburg Press.....	www.albionnewsonline.com	402-386-5384
Pierce Co. Leader.....		402-329-4665
Plainview News.....	www.theplainviewnews.com	402-582-4921
Plattsmouth Journal.....	www.fremonttribune.com/cass-news/	402-296-2141
Ponca Nebr. Journal-Leader.....		402-755-2203
Ralston Recorder.....	www.omaha.com	402-444-1242
Randolph Times.....		402-337-0488
Ravenna News.....	www.theravennanews.com	308-452-3411
Red Cloud Chief.....		402-746-3700
St. Edward Advance.....		402-678-2771
St. Paul Phonograph-Herald.....		308-754-4401
Sargent Leader.....	www.tribune2000.com	308-346-4504
Schuyler Sun.....		402-352-2424
Scottsbluff Business Farmer.....	www.thebusinessfarmer.com	308-635-3110
Scottsbluff Star-Herald.....	www.starherald.com	308-632-9000
Seward Co. Independent.....	www.sewardindependent.com	402-643-3676
Shelton Clipper.....	www.clipperpubco.com	308-647-5158
Sidney Sun-Telegraph.....	www.suntelegraph.com	308-254-2818
South Sioux City Dakota County Star.....	www.enterprisepub.com	402-494-4264
Sower (college).....		402-643-7307
Spalding Enterprise.....		308-497-2153
Spencer Advocate.....		402-589-1010
Springview Herald.....		402-497-3651
Stanton Register.....		402-439-2173
Stapleton Enterprise.....		308-636-2444
Stromsburg Polk County News.....	www.polkcountynewspaper.com	402-764-5341
Superior Express.....	www.superiorne.com	402-879-3291
Sutherland Courier-Times.....		308-386-4617
Sutton Clay Co. News.....	www.theclaycountynews.com	402-773-5576
Syracuse Journal-Democrat.....		402-269-2135
Tecumseh Chieftain.....	www.tecumsehchieftain.com	402-335-3394
Tekamah Burt Co. Plaindealer.....		402-374-2226
Theadford Thomas Co. Herald.....		308-636-2444
Tilden Citizen/Meadow Grove News.....		402-368-5315
Trenton Hitchcock Co. News.....		308-334-5226
Valentine Midland News.....	www.valentineneews.com	402-376-2833
Verdigre Eagle.....	www.theverdigreagle.com	402-668-2242
Wahoo Newspaper.....	www.wahoo-ashland-waverly.com	402-443-4162
Wakefield Republican.....		402-287-2323
Wauneta Breeze.....	www.waunetanebraska.com	308-394-5389
Wausa Gazette.....		402-586-2661
Waverly News.....	www.wahoo-ashland-waverly.com	402-786-2344
Wayne Herald.....	www.mywaynews.com	402-375-2600
Wayne Stater (college).....	www.wildcat.wsc.edu/stater	402-375-7488
West Point News.....	www.wpnews.com	402-372-2461
Wilber Republican.....	www.sewardindependent.com/wilber	402-821-2586
Wisner News-Chronicle.....		402-529-3228
Wolbach Messenger.....		308-754-4401
Wood River Sunbeam.....	www.clipperpubco.com	308-647-5158
Wymore Arbor State.....		402-645-3344
York News-Times.....	www.yorknewstimes.com	402-362-4478

## BROADCASTING STATIONS

Nebraska has 158 radio stations, including 27 noncommercial stations. In June 1988, the Nebraska Educational Telecommunications Commission assumed possession of studio and transmitter equipment for public radio station KUCV-FM in Lincoln, the originating station for a nine-station Nebraska Public Radio Network.<sup>5</sup>

Nebraska has 25 television stations.<sup>6</sup> Of these, nine are noncommercial statewide public television stations.

### Nebraska Broadcasting Stations, 2015 Radio Stations

City	Station	City	Station
Ainsworth .....	KBRB, 1400 AM KBRB, 92.7 FM	Kearney (Cont'd).....	KLPR, 91.1 FM <sup>7</sup> KQKY, 105.9 FM
Alliance .....	KAAQ, 105.9 FM KCOW, 1400 AM KPNY, 102.1 FM KTNE 91.1 FM <sup>7</sup>	Lexington .....	KRNY, 102.3 FM KXPN, 1460 AM KLNE, 88.7 FM <sup>7</sup> KRVN, 880 AM KRVN, 93.1 FM
Beatrice .....	KWBE, 1450 AM	Lincoln .....	KAMI, 1580 AM KBBK, 107.3 FM KCVN, 104.5 FM KFGE, 98.1 FM KFOR, 1240 AM KFRX, 106.3 FM KHZY, 99.3 FM KHZZ, 92.1 FM KIBZ, 104.1 FM KKUL, 105.9 FM KLCV, 88.5 FM KLIN, 1400 AM KLMS, 1480 AM KLNC, 105.3 FM KMBV, 90.7 FM KOLB, 93.7 FM KPNY, 102.1 FM KQIQ, 88.3 FM KRKR, 95.1 FM KRNU, 90.3 FM <sup>7</sup> KROA, 95.7 FM KSLI, 104.1 FM KTGL, 92.9 FM KUCV 91.1 FM KZKX, 96.9 FM KZUM, 89.3 FM <sup>7</sup>
Blair .....	KBLR, 97.3 FM	McCook.....	KBRL, 1300 AM KICX, 96.1 FM KIOD, 105.3 FM KNGN, 1360 AM KQHK, 103.9 FM
Broken Bow .....	KBBN, 95.3 FM KCNI, 1280 AM	Milford .....	KFGE, 98.1 FM
Chadron.....	KCNB, 94.7 FM <sup>7</sup> KCSR, 610 AM KQSK, 97.5 FM	Nebraska City .....	KNCY, 1600 AM
Columbus .....	KJSK, 900 AM KKOT, 93.5 FM KLJR, 101.1 FM KTTT, 1510 AM KZEN, 100.3 FM	Norfolk .....	KEXL, 97.5 FM KNEN, 94.7 FM KPNO, 90.9 FM <sup>7</sup> KUSO, 92.7 FM
Cozad .....	KCVN, 1580 AM KCVN, 104.5 FM		
Crete.....	KDNE, 91.9 FM <sup>7</sup>		
Fairbury.....	KGMT, 1310 AM KUTT, 99.5 FM		
Falls City.....	KLZA, 101.3 FM KTNC, 1230 AM		
Fremont.....	KFMT, 105.5 FM KHUB, 1340 AM		
Gordon.....	KSDZ, 95.5 FM		
Grand Island.....	KKJK, 103.1 FM KMMJ, 1430 AM KMMJ, 750 AM KROA 95.7 FM KROR, 101.5 FM KSYZ, 107.7 FM		
Hastings.....	KCNT, 88.1 FM <sup>7</sup> KFKX, 90.1 FM <sup>7</sup> KHAS, 1230 AM KICS, 1550 AM KLIQ, 94.5 FM		
Holdrege.....	KUMV, 1380 AM		
Kearney.....	KGFV, 1340 AM KKPR, 98.9 FM		

<sup>5</sup> For more details on the Nebraska Educational Telecommunications Commission, see Page 627.

<sup>6</sup> Not including cable TV systems.

<sup>7</sup> Noncommercial station.

## Nebraska Broadcasting Stations, 2015 (Cont'd.) Radio Stations (Cont'd.)

City	Station	City	Station
Norfolk, (Cont'd.)	KQKX, 106.7 FM KXNE, 89.3 FM <sup>7</sup> WJAG, 780 AM	Omaha (Cont'd.)	KOZN, 1620 AM KQBW, 96.1 FM KQCH, 94.1 FM KQKQ, 98.5 FM KSRZ, 104.5 FM KTWI, 93.3 FM KVNO, 90.7 FM <sup>7</sup> KVSS, 102.7 FM KXKT, 103.7 FM KXSP, 590 AM
North Platte	KELN, 97.1 FM KJLT, 970 AM KJLT, 94.9 FM KNPQ, 107.3 FM KODY, 1240 AM KOOQ, 1410 AM KPNE, 91.7 FM <sup>7</sup> KXNP, 103.5 FM	O'Neill	KBRX, 1350 AM KBRX, 102.9 FM
Ogallala	KMCM, 106.5 FM KOGA, 930 AM KOGA, 99.7 FM	Orchard	KGRD, 105.3 FM <sup>7</sup>
Omaha	KBBX, 97.7 FM KCRO, 660 AM KEZO, 92.3 FM KFAB, 1110 AM KGBI, 100.7 FM <sup>7</sup> KGOR, 99.9 FM KIOS, 91.5 FM <sup>7</sup> KJWM, 91.5 FM KKAR, 1290 AM KKCD, 105.9 FM KMMQ, 1020 AM KOIL, 1180 AM KOOO, 101.9 FM KOPW, 106.9 FM KOTK, 1420 AM	Ord	KNLV, 1060 AM KNLV, 103.9 FM
		Scottsbluff	KNEB, 960 AM KNEB, 94.1 FM
		Sidney	KSID, 1340 AM KSID, 98.7 FM
		Superior	KRFS, 1600 AM KRFS, 103.9 FM
		Valentine	KVSH, 940 AM
		Wayne	KCTY, 104.9 FM KTCH, 1590 AM KWSC, 91.9 FM <sup>7</sup>
		West Point	KTIC, 840 AM KWPN, 107.9 FM
		York	KAWL, 1370 AM KTMX, 104.9 FM

## Television Stations

City	Station	City	Station
Alliance	KTNE, Channel 12 <sup>7</sup>	Norfolk	KXNE, Channel 19 <sup>7</sup>
Bassett	KMNE, Channel 12 <sup>7</sup>	North Platte	KIIT, Channel 11 KNOP, Channel 2 KPNE, Channel 9 <sup>7</sup>
Grand Island	KGIN, Channel 11	Omaha	KETV, Channel 7 KMIV, Channel 3 KPTM, Channel 42.1 KXVO, Channel 15.2 KYNE, Channel 26 <sup>7</sup> WOWT, Channel 6
Hastings	KHAS, Channel 5.1 KHNE, Channel 12 <sup>7</sup>	Scottsbluff	KDUH, Channel 4
Hayes Center	KWNB, Channel 6	Wood River	KTVG, Channel 17
Kearney	KHGI, Channel 13		
Lexington	KUON, Channel 12		
Lincoln	KFXL, Channel 51 KLKN, Channel 8 KOLN, Channel 10 KUON, Channel 12 <sup>7</sup> KRNE, Channel 12 <sup>7</sup>		
Merriman			

<sup>7</sup> Noncommercial station.





**POLITICAL PARTIES  
AND ELECTIONS**

# NEBRASKA POLITICAL PARTIES AND ELECTIONS

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## POLITICAL PARTIES

By law, partisan and nonpartisan candidates for elective offices in Nebraska are nominated by primary election or by petition. Each party's convention is held biennially after the primary election at a date set by the state central committee, but not later than Oct. 1. The convention determines the party's state platform, selects a state central committee, nominates candidates for elective offices excepted from the operation of the direct primary law, and selects candidates for electors for president and vice president of the United States.

### Democratic Party

**State Headquarters:** 421 S. 9th St., Suite 233, Lincoln, NE 68508, phone (402) 434-2180, fax (402) 438-5011, toll free phone (800) 677-7068, email address — [info@nebraskademocrats.org](mailto:info@nebraskademocrats.org), website — [www.nebraskademocrats.org](http://www.nebraskademocrats.org)

**Executive Director:** Hadley Richters

**State Chairperson:** Vincent Powers

### Republican Party

**State Headquarters:** 1610 N St., Lincoln, NE 68508, phone (402) 475-2122, fax (402) 475-3541, website — [www.negop.org](http://www.negop.org)

**State Chairperson:** J.L. Spray

**State Vice Chairperson:** Marie Belin

### Libertarian Party

**State Headquarters:** P.O. Box 360, Boys Town, NE, 68010, email address — [chair@lpne.org](mailto:chair@lpne.org), website — [www.lpne.org](http://www.lpne.org)

**State Chairperson:** Scott Zimmerman

**State Vice Chairperson:** Logan Rogers-Follis

# ELECTIONS

Statewide primary elections in Nebraska are held on the first Tuesday after the second Monday in May in even-numbered years.

Any citizen of the United States may vote in a Nebraska primary or general election, provided that he or she:

- is at least 18 years old. According to the state constitution, individuals may vote in any election held during the calendar year of their 18th birthday, provided they reach the age of 18 on or before the general election.
- has registered to vote in his or her county of residence by the second Friday before the election
- has never been convicted of treason or felony under the laws of Nebraska or the United States

This section includes Nebraska presidential election returns from 1868 to 2012 and election returns from Nebraska’s 2014 primary and general elections as certified by the Board of State Canvassers and the Legislature.

## Nebraska Presidential Election Statistics, 1868-2012

Year	Candidates	Party	Vote	Total Vote <sup>1</sup>
1868	Grant	Republican	9,772	15,291
	Seymour	Democratic	5,519	
1872	Grant	Republican	18,329	25,932
	Greeley	Democratic	7,603	
1876	Hayes	Republican	31,915	49,328
	Tilden	Democratic	17,413	
1880	Garfield	Republican	54,979	87,452
	Hancock	Democratic	28,523	
	Weaver	Greenback	3,950	
1884	Cleveland	Democratic	54,391	134,202
	Blaine	Republican	76,912	
	St. John	Prohibition	2,899	
1888	Harrison	Republican	108,425	202,632
	Cleveland	Democratic	80,552	
	Fisk	Prohibition	9,429	
	Streeter	National Labor	4,226	
1892	Cleveland	Democratic	24,943	200,192
	Harrison	Republican	87,213	
	Weaver	People’s Independent	83,134	
	Bidwell	Prohibition	4,902	
1896	McKinley	Republican	103,064	223,182
	Bryan	Democratic and People’s Independent	115,007	
		Middle of the Road Populist	797	
	Palmer	National (Gold) Democratic	2,885	
	Bentley	Prohibition	1,243	
1900	Matchett	Socialist	186	241,430
	McKinley	Republican	121,835	
	Bryan	Fusion	114,013	
	Woolley	Prohibition	3,655	
	Barker	Middle of the Road Populist	1,104	
	Debs	Socialist	23	

<sup>1</sup> From 1868 to 1904, the number in the “Total Vote” column is the sum of the votes cast for each presidential candidate on the ballot. From 1908 to the present, the “Total Vote” number is the total number of ballots cast at the general election, regardless of whether a vote was cast for president.

## Nebraska Presidential Election Statistics, 1868-2012 (Cont'd.)

Year	Candidates	Party	Vote	Total Vote <sup>1</sup>
1904	Roosevelt	Republican	138,558	225,732
	Parker	Democratic	52,921	
	Watson	People's Independent	20,518	
	Swallow	Prohibition	6,323	
	Debs	Socialist	7,412	
1908	Taft	Republican	126,997	271,491
	Bryan	Democratic and People's Independent	131,099	
	Chafin	Prohibition	5,179	
	Debs	Socialist	3,524	
1912	Wilson	Democratic and People's Independent	109,008	259,124
	Roosevelt	Progressive	72,689	
	Taft	Republican	54,216	
1916	Debs	Socialist	10,185	302,685
	Chafin	Prohibition	3,383	
	Wilson	Democratic	158,827	
	Hughes	Republican	117,771	
	Benson	Socialist	7,141	
1920	Hanley	Prohibition	2,952	390,833
	Reimer	Socialist Labor	624	
	Harding-Coolidge	Republican	247,498	
	Cox-Roosevelt	Democratic	119,608	
	Watkins-Colvin	Prohibition	5,947	
1924	Debs-Stedman	Socialist	9,600	471,600
	Coolidge-Dawes	Republican	218,585	
	Davis-Bryan	Democratic	137,289	
	LaFollette-Wheeler	Independent	106,701	
	Faris-Brehm	Prohibition	1,594	
1928	Hoover-Curtis	Republican	345,745	554,762
	Smith-Robinson	Democratic	197,959	
	Thomas-Maurer	Socialist	3,434	
1932	Roosevelt-Garner	Democratic	359,082	576,946
	Hoover-Curtis	Republican	201,177	
	Thomas-Maurer	Socialist	9,876	
1936	Roosevelt-Garner	Democratic	347,454	617,066
	Landon-Knox	Republican	248,731	
	LeMke-O'Brien	Union	12,847	
1940	Roosevelt-Wallace	Democratic	263,677	623,781
	Wilkie-McNary	Republican	352,201	
1944	Roosevelt-Truman	Democratic	233,246	568,464
	Dewey-Bricker	Republican	329,880	
1948	Truman-Barkley	Democratic	224,165	497,084
	Dewey-Warren	Republican	264,774	
1952	Eisenhower-Nixon	Republican	421,603	616,236
	Stevenson-Sparkman	Democratic	188,057	
1956	Eisenhower-Nixon	Republican	378,108	584,786
	Stevenson-Kefauver	Democratic	199,029	
1960	Kennedy-Johnson	Democratic	232,542	619,399
	Nixon-Lodge	Republican	380,553	
1964	Johnson-Humphrey	Democratic	307,307	592,673
	Goldwater-Miller	Republican	276,847	
1968	Nixon-Agnew	Republican	321,163	540,176
	Humphrey-Muskie	Democratic	170,784	
	Wallace-Griffin <sup>2</sup>	American	44,904	
1972	Nixon-Agnew	Republican	406,298	591,616
	McGovern-Shriver	Democratic	169,991	
1976	Carter-Mondale	Democratic	233,692	623,764
	Ford-Dole	Republican	359,705	
	Maddox-Dyke	American	3,380	
	MacBride-Bergland	Libertarian	1,482	
	McCarthy-Paine	Independent	9,409	

<sup>2</sup>Stand-in for Curtis LeMay.

## Nebraska Presidential Election Statistics, 1868-2012 (Cont'd.)

Year	Candidates	Party	Vote	Total Vote <sup>1</sup>
1980	Reagan-Bush	Republican	419,937	651,281
	Carter-Mondale	Democratic	166,851	
	Anderson-Lucey	Independent	44,993	
1984	Clark-Koch	Libertarian	9,073	670,781
	Reagan-Bush	Republican	460,054	
	Mondale-Ferraro	Democratic	187,866	
	Bergland-Lewis	Libertarian	2,079	
	Mason-Zimmerman	Independent	1,066	
1988	Serrette-Ross	Independent	1,025	678,669
	Bush-Quayle	Republican	398,447	
	Dukakis-Bentsen	Democratic	259,646	
	Paul-Marrou	Libertarian	2,536	
	Fulani-Dattner	New Alliance	1,743	
1992	Clinton-Gore	Democratic	217,344	744,548
	Bush-Quayle	Republican	344,346	
	Perot-Stockdale	Independent	174,687	
	Marrou-Lord	Libertarian	1,344	
	Haglin-Tompkins	Independent	714	
	Fulani-Munoz	Independent	848	
	Clinton-Gore	Democratic	236,761	
1996	Dole-Kemp	Republican	363,467	686,749
	Perot-Choate	Reform	71,278	
	Browne-Jorgensen	Libertarian	2,792	
	Haglin-Tompkins	Natural Law	1,189	
	Phillips-Titus	By Petition	1,928	
	Bush-Cheney	Republican	453,862	
	Gore-Lieberman	Democratic	231,780	
2000	Nader-LaDuke	Green	24,540	707,223
	Buchanan-Foster	By Petition	3,646	
	Browne-Olivier	Libertarian	2,245	
	Haglin-Goldhaver	Natural Law	478	
	Phillips-Frazier	By Petition	468	
	Bush-Cheney	Republican	512,814	
	Kerry-Edwards	Democratic	254,328	
2004	Nader-Camajo	By Petition	5,698	792,827
	Badnarik-Campagna	Libertarian	2,041	
	Peroutka-Baldwin	Nebraska	1,314	
	Cobb-LaMarsche	Green	978	
	Calero-Hawkins	By Petition	82	
	Bush-Cheney	Republican	512,814	
	Kerry-Edwards	Democratic	254,328	
2008	Nader-Gonzalez	By Petition	5,406	814,012
	Baldwin-Castle	Nebraska	2,972	
	Barr-Root	Libertarian	2,740	
	McKinney-Clemente	Green	1,028	
	Obama-Biden	Democratic	333,319	
	McCain-Palin	Republican	452,979	
	Obama-Biden	Democratic	302,081	
2012	Romney-Ryan	Republican	475,064	804,245
	Johnson-Gray	Libertarian	11,109	
	Terry-Smith	By Petition	2,408	
	Obama-Biden	Democratic	302,081	

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	Republican	Democratic	Non-partisan	Libertarian	Republican	Democratic	Non-partisan	Libertarian	Republican	Democratic	Non-partisan	Libertarian	
Adams.....28	10,231	5,126	3,233	85	18,675	4,626	1,542	457	13	6,638			
Antelope.....13	3,043	949	548	2	4,542	1,588	283	55	0	1,926			
Arthur.....11	272	41	11	0	324	119	14	3	0	136			
Banner.....1	437	33	56	4	530	306	11	8	0	325			
Blaine.....1	300	44	31	1	376	142	18	4	0	164			
Boone.....9	2,378	1,018	411	4	3,811	1,165	329	49	0	1,543			
Box Butte.....3	4,118	2,014	1,325	28	7,485	1,959	400	132	4	2,495			
Boyd.....3	1,054	274	125	3	1,456	730	121	20	0	871			
Brown.....3	1,680	300	187	1	2,168	1,113	91	43	0	1,247			
Buffalo.....29	16,132	6,269	5,057	154	27,612	6,249	1,136	335	12	7,732			
Burt.....11	2,417	1,525	842	15	4,799	969	345	70	3	1,387			
Butler.....11	2,971	1,785	858	12	5,626	1,371	468	78	2	1,919			
Cass.....29	8,105	4,791	3,762	78	16,736	3,261	1,374	454	8	5,097			
Cedar.....16	3,330	1,811	921	13	6,075	1,665	583	135	0	2,383			
Chase.....5	1,823	424	279	3	2,529	840	119	24	0	983			
Cherry.....20	3,120	668	496	4	4,288	1,877	183	60	0	2,120			
Cheyenne.....9	4,178	1,354	1,380	35	6,947	1,807	374	225	5	2,411			
Clay.....11	2,731	908	612	10	4,261	1,076	228	79	1	1,384			
Colfax.....6	2,270	2,090	607	12	4,979	810	352	32	2	1,196			
Cuming.....7	3,583	1,341	836	9	5,769	1,594	319	84	1	1,998			
Custer.....33	5,380	1,646	1,122	28	8,176	2,441	458	114	1	3,014			
Dakota.....13	3,567	4,222	2,421	54	10,264	928	494	102	1	1,525			
Dawes.....11	3,446	1,325	1,161	27	5,959	1,230	211	86	2	1,529			
Dawson.....20	7,535	3,536	2,379	49	13,499	3,626	744	224	4	4,598			
Deuel.....3	1,026	197	219	4	1,446	422	54	40	2	518			
Dixon.....12	2,248	961	528	10	3,747	1,534	291	77	0	1,902			
Dodge.....32	10,731	6,528	4,439	90	21,788	4,955	1,705	492	4	7,156			
Douglas.....218	123,262	122,359	74,293	1,699	321,593	40,399	20,246	5,950	139	66,734			
Dundy.....4	972	183	164	1	1,320	58	16	1	0	545			
Fillmore.....9	2,298	1,141	646	10	4,095	1,056	344	78	0	1,478			
Franklin.....4	1,380	537	356	3	2,276	605	150	41	0	796			

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County	Precincts	Registered Voters				Number of People Voting				Total Voting
		Republican	Democratic	Non-partisan	Libertarian	Republican	Democratic	Non-partisan	Libertarian	
Frontier.....	5	1,267	336	240	4	570	72	23	0	665
Furnas.....	8	2,186	697	512	12	881	185	60	0	1,126
Gage.....	10	6,875	4,310	2,660	49	13,894	1,440	299	6	4,968
Garden.....	4	1,128	238	160	5	380	33	8	0	421
Garfield.....	3	945	206	106	2	498	66	21	2	587
Cosper.....	4	1,010	276	199	1	398	106	16	0	520
Grant.....	1	383	49	38	0	169	14	4	0	187
Greeley.....	4	557	965	158	2	287	616	20	1	924
Hall.....	26	15,935	9,412	6,007	138	6,510	2,369	707	13	9,599
Hamilton.....	11	4,201	1,306	898	26	2,360	440	174	2	2,976
Harlan.....	8	1,549	589	327	3	767	208	47	0	1,022
Hayes.....	3	564	93	83	0	333	36	21	0	390
Hitchcock.....	4	1,261	404	358	4	2,027	127	53	0	673
Holt.....	13	5,083	1,252	699	14	7,048	3,087	110	3	3,565
Hooker.....	1	432	90	52	0	283	42	14	0	339
Howard.....	8	2,290	1,433	594	11	3,328	909	362	41	1,313
Jefferson.....	10	2,676	1,475	882	9	4,562	456	112	0	1,920
Johnson.....	10	1,527	967	393	10	789	223	35	2	1,049
Kearney.....	11	2,772	967	648	17	1,194	239	59	1	1,493
Keith.....	11	3,982	1,186	1,110	20	2,031	270	115	1	2,417
Keya Paha.....	3	508	88	42	2	285	23	9	1	318
Kimball.....	5	1,951	540	528	11	547	59	18	2	626
Knox.....	8	3,145	1,709	860	7	1,724	515	127	1	2,367
Lancaster.....	196	75,758	64,919	39,255	944	31,382	16,428	4,287	73	52,170
Lincoln.....	24	12,791	6,437	4,066	96	5,368	1,788	401	8	7,565
Logan.....	1	412	80	58	2	245	23	9	0	277
Loup.....	1	433	61	25	1	292	18	5	0	315
Madison.....	22	12,264	4,966	3,644	61	4,552	827	324	4	5,707
McPherson.....	1	285	55	23	4	202	32	8	3	245
Merick.....	15	3,064	1,100	669	12	1,886	437	151	2	2,476
Morrill.....	9	2,126	634	538	16	997	143	70	4	1,214
Nance.....	6	1,260	841	309	4	604	245	21	0	870

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County Precincts	Registered Voters				Number of People Voting					
	Republican		Non-partisan		Republican		Non-partisan		Total Voting	
	Democrat	Libertarian	Democrat	Libertarian	Democrat	Libertarian	Democrat	Libertarian		
Nemaha.....9	2,528	1,371	800	14	4,713	981	322	58	2	1,363
Nuckolls.....8	1,808	925	438	5	3,176	918	309	54	1	1,282
Otoe.....13	5,192	2,964	2,175	41	10,372	2,006	594	123	6	2,729
Pawnee.....5	1,080	530	267	3	1,880	624	204	37	0	865
Perkins.....3	1,335	364	273	3	1,975	806	142	55	0	1,001
Phelps.....13	4,112	1,131	844	14	6,101	1,989	316	91	1	2,397
Pierce.....5	3,203	844	726	3	4,776	1,190	147	66	1	1,404
Platte.....30	11,488	4,939	2,900	58	19,385	6,325	1,767	572	6	8,670
Polk.....6	2,221	770	436	5	3,432	1,323	245	63	0	1,631
Red Willow...13	4,418	1,353	1,361	24	7,156	2,198	299	162	1	2,660
Richardson...15	3,108	1,967	934	16	6,025	1,276	418	88	4	1,786
Rock.....1	834	0	72	0	1,037	538	52	13	0	603
Saline.....12	3,003	3,443	1,414	26	7,886	1,184	1,003	119	2	2,308
Sarpy.....52	46,768	27,552	25,483	592	100,395	13,318	3,848	1,674	39	18,879
Saunders.....18	7,848	4,210	2,348	29	14,435	3,897	968	229	4	5,098
Scouts Bluff..30	12,778	6,332	4,764	80	23,954	4,391	833	251	7	5,482
Seward.....16	5,806	2,947	1,831	27	10,611	2,252	658	144	1	3,055
Sheridan.....8	2,688	720	592	15	4,015	1,277	128	51	3	1,459
Sherman.....6	942	906	198	4	2,050	514	488	38	1	1,041
Sioux.....2	606	110	117	5	928	352	29	10	1	392
Stanton.....15	2,393	770	516	11	3,690	925	160	41	1	1,125
Thayer.....7	2,331	926	576	4	3,837	1,375	420	153	0	1,948
Thomas.....7	418	61	50	0	529	291	27	21	0	329
Thurston.....9	1,185	2,748	590	4	4,527	397	734	35	0	1,166
Valley.....7	1,834	815	326	7	2,982	806	219	23	1	1,049
Washington...15	7,832	3,332	2,836	55	14,055	3,540	660	311	5	4,516
Wayne.....10	3,269	1,097	804	21	5,191	1,501	245	27	4	1,777
Webster.....5	1,468	661	365	7	2,501	669	215	26	3	913
Wheeler.....2	449	644	52	3	644	255	49	6	0	310
York.....12	6,850	1,907	1,488	23	10,268	2,547	293	93	2	2,935
TOTAL.....1,367	556,523	358,965	231,022	5,034	1,152,144	225,212	77,044	21,538	431	324,227

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		Republican		Democratic		Non-partisan		Libertarian		Total Registered		At Polls	Mail Precincts	Provisional	Early Voting	Military/ Overseas	
		Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%						
Adams.....	28	10,260	5,046	3,294	88	18,688	7,286	0	71	1,302	0	8,659					
Anneke.....	13	3,069	925	554	4	4,550	2,251	0	14	549	1	2,615					
Arthur.....	1	273	41	11		325	172	0	0	12	0	184					
Banner.....	1	441	36	53	4	534	246	0	0	57	0	209					
Blaine.....	1	300	45	30	1	376	146	0	0	59	0	205					
Boone.....	9	2,380	1,022	407	5	3,814	1,672	331	0	280	1	2,284					
Box Butte.....	9	4,102	2,009	1,365	36	7,512	2,514	0	31	548	0	3,093					
Boyd.....	3	1,067	270	129	4	1,470	789	0	1	230	0	1,020					
Brown.....	3	1,661	298	188	2	2,149	925	0	3	225	0	1,153					
Buffalo.....	29	16,335	6,265	5,232	175	28,007	11,919	0	132	1,539	2	13,592					
Burt.....	11	2,444	1,552	867	15	4,858	2,541	0	10	405	0	2,956					
Burler.....	11	3,031	1,774	885	12	5,702	2,883	0	10	329	0	3,222					
Cass.....	29	8,162	4,735	3,853	90	16,840	7,134	0	87	1,594	6	8,821					
Cedar.....	16	3,273	1,739	889	11	5,912	1,659	1,172	0	299	0	3,130					
Chase.....	5	1,841	415	280	4	2,540	1,236	0	7	192	0	1,435					
Cherry.....	20	3,156	655	498	3	4,312	965	1,018	0	331	0	2,314					
Cheyenne.....	9	4,200	1,346	1,406	37	6,989	2,336	0	22	556	0	2,914					
Clay.....	11	2,701	900	623	13	4,237	1,983	0	33	215	0	2,231					
Colfax.....	6	2,260	2,085	620	15	4,980	1,722	0	6	301	1	2,030					
Cuming.....	7	3,588	1,322	852	11	5,773	2,266	380	33	304	4	2,987					
Custer.....	33	5,318	1,605	809	34	8,091	3,793	0	34	544	0	4,571					
Dakota.....	13	3,597	4,231	2,521	60	10,409	3,368	0	60	467	0	3,895					
Dawes.....	11	3,457	1,309	1,182	35	5,983	2,138	183	42	422	1	2,786					
Dawson.....	20	7,574	3,564	2,412	54	13,604	4,964	0	24	727	0	5,715					
Deuel.....	3	1,024	188	214	5	1,431	642	0	3	93	0	738					
Dixon.....	12	2,222	978	526	11	3,737	1,231	617	8	149	0	2,005					
Dodge.....	32	10,762	6,450	4,485	94	21,791	9,383	0	69	1,187	0	10,659					
Douglas.....	218	124,126	75,978	1,949	1,949	324,492	103,049	0	2,444	41,565	21	147,079					
Dundy.....	4	962	174	160	1	1,297	626	0	0	112	0	738					
Fillmore.....	9	2,290	1,134	647	10	4,081	1,985	0	10	389	0	2,384					
Franklin.....	4	1,386	527	366	2	2,281	1,083	0	8	307	0	1,398					

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County	Precincts	Registered Voters					Total Voting by Method					Military/ Overseas	Total Voting
		Republican	Democratic	Non- partisan	Libertarian	Total Registered	At Polls	Mail Precincts	Provisional	Early Voting			
Frontier.....	5	1,268	344	245	4	1,861	868	0	3	115	0	0	986
Furnas.....	8	2,179	687	520	14	3,400	1,578	0	6	151	0	0	1,735
Gage.....	10	6,935	4,257	2,675	58	13,925	4,468	0	36	3,035	0	0	7,539
Garden.....	4	1,118	237	155	4	1,514	560	0	1	84	0	0	645
Garfield.....	3	941	208	104	3	1,256	662	0	3	83	0	0	748
Gosper.....	4	1,016	270	191	2	1,479	670	0	2	86	0	0	758
Grant.....	1	396	50	40	0	486	237	0	1	42	0	0	280
Greeley.....	4	589	919	163	3	1,674	778	0	1	72	0	0	851
Hall.....	26	16,056	9,385	6,702	146	32,289	11,631	0	134	2,597	4	14,366	3,769
Hamilton.....	11	4,218	1,281	901	31	6,431	1,709	1,705	13	342	0	0	3,769
Harlan.....	8	1,579	592	336	3	2,510	1,356	0	6	151	0	1,513	0
Hayes.....	3	567	92	81	0	740	339	0	0	136	1	476	0
Hitchcock.....	4	1,264	396	353	4	2,017	1,062	0	8	125	0	1,195	0
Holt.....	13	5,060	1,228	702	16	7,006	3,134	0	22	620	0	3,776	0
Hooker.....	1	441	87	53	0	581	265	0	1	39	0	305	0
Howard.....	8	2,316	1,431	623	11	4,381	1,823	0	316	2	2,141	9	2,141
Jefferson.....	10	2,677	1,468	880	12	5,037	2,287	0	14	329	0	2,630	0
Johnson.....	6	1,514	871	375	11	2,771	1,509	0	5	216	0	1,730	0
Kearney.....	11	2,807	952	655	18	4,432	2,352	0	14	276	0	2,642	0
Keith.....	11	1,172	1,104	1,104	25	6,308	2,310	0	14	338	1	2,663	0
Keya Paha.....	3	522	87	41	2	652	301	0	3	105	0	409	0
Kimball.....	5	1,952	542	543	11	3,048	1,033	0	12	205	1	1,251	0
Knox.....	3,148	1,706	869	869	7	2,831	2,831	0	10	495	0	3,336	0
Lancaster.....	196	76,197	64,990	40,106	1,050	182,343	63,037	0	1,430	22,700	29	87,196	0
Lincoln.....	24	12,854	6,374	4,138	119	23,485	8,528	0	92	2,228	2	10,850	0
Logan.....	1	417	82	61	2	562	322	0	0	38	0	360	0
Loup.....	1	423	63	30	1	517	253	0	0	78	0	331	0
Madison.....	22	12,339	4,929	3,677	77	21,022	8,369	0	70	1,093	2	9,534	0
McPherson.....	1	280	53	23	4	360	186	0	0	73	0	259	0
Merrick.....	15	3,071	1,083	670	13	4,837	1,420	1,338	35	229	0	3,022	0
Morrill.....	9	2,099	623	527	19	3,268	1,171	254	17	147	1	1,590	0
Nance.....	6	1,246	836	318	6	2,406	1,030	0	6	203	0	1,239	0

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County	Registered Voters					Total Voting by Method					Military/ Overseas	Total Voting
	Precincts	Republican	Democratic	Non- partisan	Libertarian	Total Registered	At Polls	Mail Precincts	Provisional	Early Voting		
		Voting Precincts										
Nemaha.....	9	2,515	1,358	802	14	4,689	2,084	0	29	376	2	2,491
Nuckolls.....	8	1,804	916	441	8	3,169	1,454	0	11	119	0	1,584
Otoe.....	13	5,251	2,932	2,220	48	10,451	4,503	0	36	1,024	3	5,566
Pawnee.....	5	1,087	526	271	4	1,888	939	0	5	174	0	1,118
Perkins.....	3	1,329	360	279	3	1,971	691	0	4	374	1	1,070
Phelps.....	13	4,154	1,125	839	17	6,135	2,702	209	13	509	1	3,434
Pierce.....	5	3,197	812	729	5	4,743	2,103	0	2	306	0	2,411
Platte.....	30	11,571	4,874	2,922	59	19,426	7,894	0	55	1,503	4	9,456
Polk.....	6	2,227	765	445	5	3,442	1,417	0	3	392	0	1,812
Red Willow....	13	4,437	1,331	1,373	25	7,166	3,087	0	20	494	1	3,602
Richardson....	15	3,096	1,968	944	18	6,026	2,302	0	18	354	0	2,674
Rock.....	1	824	127	76	0	1,027	479	0	3	165	0	647
Saline.....	12	3,013	3,441	1,420	30	7,904	3,282	0	27	473	0	3,782
Sarpy.....	52	47,198	27,549	25,949	675	101,371	32,466	0	568	12,340	13	45,387
Saunders.....	18	7,816	4,169	2,378	43	14,406	6,430	0	55	926	5	7,436
Scots Bluff....	30	12,822	6,298	4,868	98	24,086	7,717	0	100	2,133	2	9,952
Seward.....	16	5,820	2,904	1,859	29	10,612	4,883	0	70	631	0	5,584
Sheridan.....	8	2,687	722	593	15	4,011	1,550	0	1	209	0	1,760
Sherman.....	2	953	893	202	6	2,054	1,210	0	11	166	0	1,387
Sioux.....	6	705	109	110	6	930	445	0	6	104	0	555
Stanton.....	15	2,408	769	528	13	3,718	1,290	309	12	168	0	1,779
Thayer.....	7	2,338	920	590	5	3,853	1,777	0	6	254	0	2,037
Thomas.....	1	420	56	52	0	528	232	0	87	87	0	319
Thurston.....	9	1,231	2,702	624	6	4,563	1,395	0	11	90	1	1,497
Valley.....	7	1,831	818	334	8	2,991	1,515	0	10	150	0	1,675
Washington....	15	7,866	3,200	2,821	58	14,035	5,912	0	22	1,070	0	7,004
Wayne.....	10	3,258	1,083	818	27	5,186	2,314	0	17	394	0	2,725
Webster.....	2	1,461	643	369	7	2,480	1,175	0	1	142	0	1,318
Wheeler.....	2	458	140	54	3	655	329	0	2	93	0	424
York.....	12	6,829	1,883	1,490	23	10,225	3,914	0	44	654	0	4,612
TOTAL.....	1,367	559,364	357,835	235,922	5,719	1,158,840	420,493	7,516	6,283	117,710	113	552,115

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## United States Senator

County	Republican		Democratic		By Petition		Republican		Democratic		By Petition	
	Ben Sasse	Dave Domina	Dave Domina	Jim Jenkins	Todd F. Watson	Ben Sasse	Dave Domina	Ben Sasse	Dave Domina	Jim Jenkins	Todd F. Watson	
Adams	5,906	2,322		219	152							
Anelaple	1,845	632		47	18							
Arthur	144	29		5	2							
Banner	249	31		4	1							
Blaine	147	24		31	4							
Boone	1,643	466		80	15							
Box Butte	2,060	836		86	46							
Boyd	712	206		17	13							
Brown	883	176		49	18							
Buffalo	9,953	2,168		1,064	160							
Burt	1,816	934		58	27							
Butler	2,377	601		77	51							
Cass	6,062	2,209		204	109							
Cedar	1,916	1,060		37	40							
Chase	1,205	127		46	24							
Cherry	1,769	326		99	30							
Cheyenne	2,241	496		70	40							
Clay	1,687	380		58	40							
Colfax	1,405	506		38	22							
Cuming	2,144	667		48	26							
Custer	2,536	420		1,255	61							
Dakota	2,208	1,357		101	64							
Dawes	1,192	662		77	55							
Dawson	4,220	942		316	74							
Deuel	555	90		30	15							
Dixon	1,280	597		30	23							
Dodge	7,324	2,840		216	103							
Douglas	81,226	58,917		2,628	1,008							
Dundy	591	69		18	14							
Fillmore	1,635	588		53	32							
Franklin	1,084	187		69	18							
Frontier	805	116		31	15							
Furnas	1,344	214		43	63							
Gage	4,705	2,530		217	86							
Garden	508	84		33	8							
Garfield	558	125		33	14							
Gosper	543	111		67	23							
Grant	199	53		18	4							
Greely	556	230		28	6							
Hall	9,214	4,057		433	203							
Hamilton	2,847	622		111	60							
Harlan	1,074	199		41	30							
Hayes	399	33		21	4							
Hitchcock	977	142		35	17							
Holt	2,675	922		66	53							
Hooker	212	44		33	5							
Howard	1,452	546		51	40							
Jefferson	1,827	669		63	27							
Johnson	1,082	531		31	25							
Kearney	2,044	361		163	26							
Keith	2,083	361		133	38							
Keya Paha	315	53		5	7							
Kimball	972	170		37	28							
Knox	2,100	923		100	50							
Lancaster	44,462	37,265		2,870	1,350							
Lincoln	7,750	2,456		367	116							
Logan	290	40		21	3							
Loup	230	52		33	2							
Madison	6,476	2,636		179	89							
McPherson	190	40		11	7							
Merrick	2,211	553		93	42							
Morrill	1,255	236		36	16							
Nance	818	318		28	12							
Nemaha	1,730	554		74	41							
Nuckolls	1,175	278		48	26							
Otoe	3,828	1,372		136	68							
Pawnee	788	276		13	16							
Perkins	862	128		45	6							

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## United States Senator (Cont'd.)

County	Republican		Democratic		By Petition		Republican		Democratic		By Petition	
	Ben Sasse	Ben Sasse	Dave Domina	Dave Domina	Jim Jenkins	Jim Jenkins	Ben Sasse	Ben Sasse	Dave Domina	Dave Domina	Jim Jenkins	Jim Jenkins
Phelps.....	2,735		473		147			896		295		98
Pierce.....	1,843		445		45		444	444	73		8	8
Platte.....	7,282		1,725		198		1,256	1,256	427		33	33
Polk.....	1,384		318		52		1,476	1,476	421		53	53
Red Willow.....	2,941		442		98		246	246	46		16	16
Richardson.....	1,901		591		46		713	713	663		26	26
Rock.....	496		104		23		1,216	1,216	346		60	60
Saline.....	2,184		1,357		100		5,105	5,105	1,613		128	128
Sarpy.....	30,281		13,165		831		1,729	1,729	863		48	48
Saunders.....	5,174		1,871		166		948	948	299		18	18
Scotts Bluff.....	7,106		2,205		282		3,091	3,091	76		16	16
Seward.....	3,860		1,365		193		3,377	3,377	774		259	259
Sheridan.....	1,453		207		47		347,636	347,636	170,127		15,868	15,868
TOTAL.....												

By Petition  
Todd F. Watson

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Representatives in Congress

District 1

County	Republican Jeff Fortenberry	Democratic Dennis P. Crawford
Burt.....	2,037	729
Butler.....	2,526	532
Cass.....	6,193	2,252
Colfax.....	1,518	435
Cuming.....	2,446	424
Dixon.....	47	21
Dodge.....	7,553	2,748
Lancaster.....	51,720	33,336
Madison.....	7,672	1,604
Otoe.....	3,966	1,374
Platte.....	7,556	1,550
Polk.....	1,455	286
Sarpy.....	11,220	5,358
Saunders.....	5,420	1,726
Seward.....	4,213	1,219
Stanton.....	1,483	243
Thurston.....	935	476
Washington.....	5,257	1,525
TOTAL.....	123,219	55,838

District 2

County	Republican Lee Terry	Democratic Brad Ashford	Libertarian Steven Laird
Douglas.....	63,044	72,938	7,267
Sarpy.....	15,113	10,934	1,754
TOTAL.....	78,157	83,872	9,021

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Representatives in Congress (Cont'd.)

District 3

County	Republican Adrian Smith		Democratic Mark Sullivan		County	Republican Adrian Smith		Democratic Mark Sullivan		County	Republican Adrian Smith		Democratic Mark Sullivan	
Adams	5,878	2,653	4,734	2,399	Gage	4,734	2,399	Morrill	1,275	267				
Antelope	2,020	425	544	90	Garden	544	90	Nance	786	357				
Arthur	161	17	577	146	Garfield	577	146	Nemaha	1,629	672				
Banner	247	43	596	145	Gosper	596	145	Nuckolls	1,147	374				
Blaine	178	27	252	17	Grant	252	17	Pawnee	793	262				
Boone	1,676	490	542	261	Greeley	542	261	Perkins	888	155				
Box Butte	2,255	776	8,828	5,058	Hall	8,828	5,058	Pheelps	2,789	568				
Boyd	780	141	2,730	909	Hamilton	2,730	909	Pierce	1,973	341				
Brown	979	133	1,090	240	Harrison	1,090	240	Red Willow	2,966	551				
Buffalo	10,130	3,108	385	73	Hayes	385	73	Richardson	1,790	680				
Cedar	2,399	551	959	204	Hitchcock	959	204	Rock	564	57				
Chase	1,227	178	3,050	596	Holt	3,050	596	Saline	2,151	1,468				
Cherry	1,906	295	254	34	Hooker	254	34	Scotts Bluff	6,866	2,778				
Cheyenne	2,359	483	1,378	698	Howard	1,378	698	Sheridan	1,450	262				
Clay	1,682	482	1,851	698	Jefferson	1,851	698	Sherman	839	471				
Custer	3,401	825	1,090	517	Johnson	1,090	517	Souix	456	78				
Dakota	2,204	1,462	2,102	473	Kearney	2,102	473	Thayer	1,471	487				
Dawes	2,051	673	2,156	445	Keith	2,156	445	Thomas	279	32				
Dawson	4,356	1,166	335	45	Keya Paha	335	45	Valley	1,229	399				
Deuel	608	94	1,018	198	Kimball	1,018	198	Wayne	2,018	585				
Dixon	1,306	494	2,480	627	Knox	2,480	627	Webster	951	327				
Dundy	606	98	7,940	2,702	Lincoln	7,940	2,702	Wheeler	320	79				
Fillmore	1,724	551	314	44	Loup	314	44	York	3,585	910				
Franklin	1,065	277	262	56	Loup	262	56	TOTAL	139,440	45,524				
Frontier	782	183	209	36	McPherson	209	36							
Furnas	1,396	290	2,153	740	Merrick	2,153	740							



Nebraska General Election Statistics — November 4, 2014 (Cont'd.)  
Secretary of State

County	Republican		Libertarian		County	Republican		Libertarian		County	Republican		Libertarian	
	John A.	Gale	John A.	Backus		John A.	Gale	John A.	Backus		John A.	Gale	John A.	Backus
Adams.....	6236	1,640	1,370	204	Furnas.....	1,370	204	1,370	204	Nuckolls.....	1,131	261	1,131	261
Antelope.....	1,904	320	5,041	1,532	Cage.....	5,041	1,532	3,800	1,148	Otoe.....	3,800	1,148	3,800	1,148
Arthur.....	153	22	518	84	Garden.....	518	84	782	188	Pawnee.....	782	188	782	188
Banner.....	253	33	586	75	Garfield.....	586	75	891	118	Perkins.....	891	118	891	118
Blaine.....	177	15	606	92	Gosper.....	606	92	2,803	387	Phelps.....	2,803	387	2,803	387
Boone.....	1,641	299	232	22	Grant.....	232	22	1,929	278	Pierce.....	1,929	278	1,929	278
Box Butte.....	2,186	714	561	132	Greely.....	561	132	7,052	1,434	Platte.....	7,052	1,434	7,052	1,434
Boyd.....	694	107	10,058	2,703	Hall.....	10,058	2,703	1,424	231	Polk.....	1,424	231	1,424	231
Brown.....	968	106	2,890	519	Hamilton.....	2,890	519	2,860	465	Red Willow.....	2,860	465	2,860	465
Buffalo.....	10,265	2,144	1,089	178	Hardin.....	1,089	178	1,818	571	Richardson.....	1,818	571	1,818	571
Burlingame.....	1,842	615	396	48	Hayes.....	396	48	544	64	Rock.....	544	64	544	64
Butler.....	2,154	520	926	169	Hitchcock.....	926	169	2,435	840	Saline.....	2,435	840	2,435	840
Cass.....	5,701	2,030	2,918	481	Holt.....	2,918	481	30,463	10,690	Sarpy.....	30,463	10,690	30,463	10,690
Cedar.....	2,145	535	244	20	Hooker.....	244	20	4,989	1,500	Saunders.....	4,989	1,500	4,989	1,500
Chase.....	1,175	134	1,445	48	Howard.....	1,445	48	7,239	1,944	Scotts Bluff.....	7,239	1,944	7,239	1,944
Cherry.....	1,844	243	1,875	496	Jefferson.....	1,875	496	4,024	960	Seward.....	4,024	960	4,024	960
Cheyenne.....	2,244	480	1,120	370	Johnson.....	1,120	370	1,422	232	Sheridan.....	1,422	232	1,422	232
Clay.....	1,665	334	2,071	346	Kearney.....	2,071	346	888	254	Sherman.....	888	254	888	254
Colfax.....	1,404	384	2,159	348	Keith.....	2,159	348	447	63	Strom.....	447	63	447	63
Cuming.....	2,181	410	333	36	Keya Paha.....	333	36	1,363	250	Stanton.....	1,363	250	1,363	250
Custer.....	3,300	587	976	192	Kimball.....	976	192	1,477	302	Thayer.....	1,477	302	1,477	302
Dakota.....	2,395	1,022	2,256	601	Knox.....	2,256	601	259	28	Thomas.....	259	28	259	28
Dawes.....	2,024	498	53,552	22,414	Lancaster.....	53,552	22,414	757	437	Thurston.....	757	437	757	437
Dawson.....	4,396	844	8,581	1,734	Lincoln.....	8,581	1,734	1,247	242	Valley.....	1,247	242	1,247	242
Deuel.....	563	109	308	33	Logan.....	308	33	4,866	1,350	Washington.....	4,866	1,350	4,866	1,350
Dixon.....	1,358	383	238	49	Loup.....	238	49	2,048	417	Wayne.....	2,048	417	2,048	417
Dodge.....	7,215	2,311	7,228	1,489	Madison.....	7,228	1,489	939	215	Webster.....	939	215	939	215
Douglas.....	86,503	42,083	215	28	McPherson.....	215	28	527	43	Wheeling.....	527	43	527	43
Dundy.....	575	78	2,159	459	Merret.....	2,159	459	3,600	642	York.....	3,600	642	3,600	642
Fillmore.....	1,691	369	1,188	255	Morrill.....	1,188	255	1,188	178	TOTAL.....	3,681,335	121,470	3,681,335	121,470
Franklin.....	1,036	207	775	155	Nance.....	775	155	1,694	490					
Frontier.....	815	115	1,694	490	Nemaha.....	1,694	490							



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## Attorney General

County	Republican		Democratic		County	Republican		Democratic		County	Republican		Democratic	
	Doug Peterson	Janet Stewart	Doug Peterson	Janet Stewart		Doug Peterson	Janet Stewart	Doug Peterson	Janet Stewart		Doug Peterson	Janet Stewart		
Adams	5,865	2,407			Furnas	1,346	265			Nickolls	1,103	344		
Antelope	1,800	473			Gage	4,519	2,349			Otoe	3,543	1,584		
Arthur	145	28			Garden	506	93			Pawnee	758	262		
Banner	253	25			Garfield	573	95			Perkins	795	184		
Blaine	163	25			Gosper	572	141			Phelps	2,719	525		
Boone	1,517	467			Grant	225	23			Pierce	1,851	341		
Box Butte	2,064	865			Greeley	503	234			Platte	6,869	1,830		
Boyd	656	161			Hall	9,323	3,966			Polk	1,381	320		
Brown	906	154			Hamilton	2,732	713			Red Willow	2,751	624		
Buffalo	9,948	2,802			Harlan	1,053	240			Richardson	1,725	725		
Burt	1,682	895			Haves	364	56			Rock	501	82		
Butler	2,072	731			Hitchcock	867	224			Saline	2,058	1,433		
Cass	5,473	2,567			Holt	2,817	611			Sarpy	28,571	14,538		
Cedar	2,119	657			Hooker	218	41			Saunders	4,771	2,044		
Chase	1,118	202			Howard	1,412	549			Scotts Bluff	6,855	2,472		
Cherry	1,754	303			Jefferson	1,713	730			Seward	3,741	1,466		
Cheyenne	2,204	546			Johnson	1,031	523			Sherridan	1,392	266		
Clay	1,638	413			Kearney	2,003	468			Sherman	814	393		
Colfax	1,260	579			Keith	2,040	478			Sioux	432	73		
Cuming	2,069	593			Keya Paha	296	60			Stanton	1,276	348		
Custer	3,180	779			Kimball	1,396	437			Thayer	1,396	437		
Dakota	2,196	1,448			Knox	2,158	725			Thomas	254	33		
Dawes	1,824	745			Lancaster	46,757	35,995			Thurston	714	594		
Dawson	4,221	1,170			Lincoln	7,674	2,698			Valley	1,197	353		
Deuel	546	120			Logan	291	46			Washington	4,699	1,795		
Dixon	1,305	506			Loup	224	50			Wayne	1,893	620		
Dodge	6,435	3,382			Madison	6,898	1,988			Webster	934	282		
Douglas	77,904	60,352			McPherson	190	36			Wheeler	299	70		
Dundy	603	101			Merrick	2,106	587			York	3,482	831		
Fillmore	1,584	544			Morrill	1,190	273			TOTAL	339,846	174,614		
Franklin	999	285			Nance	722	335							
Frontier	773	152			Nemaha	1,594	642							

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Auditor of Public Accounts

County	Republican		Democratic		County	Republican		Democratic		County	Republican		Democratic	
	Charlie Janssen	Amanda McGill	Charlie Janssen	Amanda McGill		Charlie Janssen	Amanda McGill	Charlie Janssen	Amanda McGill		Charlie Janssen	Amanda McGill		
Adams.....	5,170	2,749	1,166	370	Furnas.....	1,166	370	897	453	Nuckolls.....	897	453		
Antelope.....	1,566	600	3,583	3,143	Gage.....	3,583	3,143	2,997	2,000	Otoe.....	2,997	2,000		
Arthur.....	144	23	475	109	Garden.....	475	109	622	352	Pawnee.....	622	352		
Banner.....	236	35	483	128	Garfield.....	483	128	737	221	Perkins.....	737	221		
Blaine.....	148	28	466	180	Gosper.....	466	180	2,399	716	Phelps.....	2,399	716		
Boone.....	1,198	679	213	263	Grant.....	213	263	1,630	470	Pierce.....	1,630	470		
Box Butte.....	1,937	913	401	224	Greeley.....	401	224	5,978	2,429	Platte.....	5,978	2,429		
Boyd.....	554	192	7,903	4,826	Hall.....	7,903	4,826	1,153	483	Polk.....	1,153	483		
Brown.....	806	210	2,462	885	Hamilton.....	2,462	885	2,435	751	Red Willow.....	2,435	751		
Buffalo.....	8,613	3,477	926	298	Harlan.....	926	298	1,479	901	Richardson.....	1,479	901		
Burt.....	1,531	1,066	314	67	Hayes.....	314	67	434	112	Rock.....	434	112		
Butler.....	1,765	917	746	275	Hitchcock.....	746	275	1,602	1,779	Saline.....	1,602	1,779		
Cass.....	4,852	3,028	4,852	796	Holt.....	4,852	796	26,039	16,293	Sarpy.....	26,039	16,293		
Cedar.....	1,856	778	196	43	Hooker.....	196	43	4,164	2,576	Saunders.....	4,164	2,576		
Chase.....	1,040	228	1,174	687	Howard.....	1,174	687	6,253	2,861	Scotts Bluff.....	6,253	2,861		
Cherry.....	1,561	354	1,404	972	Jefferson.....	1,404	972	3,121	1,957	Seward.....	3,121	1,957		
Cheyenne.....	2,058	625	833	670	Johnson.....	833	670	1,333	281	Sheridan.....	1,333	281		
Clay.....	1,436	535	1,749	602	Kearney.....	1,749	602	655	443	Sherman.....	655	443		
Colfax.....	1,138	667	1,899	530	Keith.....	1,899	530	396	77	Sioux.....	396	77		
Cuming.....	1,716	932	261	63	Keya Paha.....	261	63	1,195	390	Stanton.....	1,195	390		
Custer.....	2,739	959	872	255	Kimball.....	872	255	1,146	595	Thayer.....	1,146	595		
Dakota.....	1,957	1,573	1,873	915	Knox.....	1,873	915	230	36	Thomas.....	230	36		
Dawes.....	1,751	753	37,336	43,370	Lancaster.....	37,336	43,370	665	601	Thurston.....	665	601		
Dawson.....	3,628	1,504	6,803	3,105	Lincoln.....	6,803	3,105	1,008	433	Valley.....	1,008	433		
Deuel.....	516	120	271	55	Logan.....	271	55	4,435	1,971	Washington.....	4,435	1,971		
Dixon.....	1,150	597	187	62	Loup.....	187	62	1,738	722	Wayne.....	1,738	722		
Dodge.....	5,985	4,179	6,102	2,521	Madison.....	6,102	2,521	799	359	Webster.....	799	359		
Douglas.....	67,958	66,158	161	43	McPherson.....	161	43	2,49	94	Wheeler.....	2,49	94		
Dundy.....	495	120	1,838	722	Merick.....	1,838	722	3,016	1,158	York.....	3,016	1,158		
Fillmore.....	1,256	758	1,082	300	Morrill.....	1,082	300	294,688	204,221	TOTAL.....	294,688	204,221		
Franklin.....	842	327	593	352	Nance.....	593	352							
Frontier.....	647	199	1,384	793	Nemaha.....	1,384	793							

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District 5

County	Patricia Timm	Christine Lade
Butler.....	961.....	878.....
Cass.....	2,994.....	2,371.....
Clay.....	608.....	608.....
Fillmore.....	750.....	607.....
Gage.....	4,419.....	1,704.....
Jefferson.....	1,283.....	642.....
Johnson.....	599.....	805.....
Lancaster.....	4,135.....	3,591.....
Nemaha.....	835.....	842.....
Nuckolls.....	570.....	326.....
Otoe.....	1,683.....	2,201.....
Pawnee.....	360.....	429.....
Richardson.....	997.....	832.....
Saline.....	1,676.....	930.....
Saunders.....	2,951.....	1,700.....
Seward.....	2,092.....	1,415.....
Thayer.....	793.....	410.....
TOTAL.....	27,923.....	20,291.....

District 6

County	Maureen Nickels
Adams.....	5,754.....
Antelope.....	1,506.....
Boone.....	1,415.....
Boyd.....	497.....
Buttalo.....	9,319.....
Franklin.....	956.....
Garfield.....	425.....
Greeley.....	456.....
Hall.....	10,162.....
Hamilton.....	2,490.....
Holt.....	2,507.....
Howard.....	1,474.....
Kearney.....	1,942.....
Merrick.....	1,940.....
Nance.....	618.....
Polk.....	1,200.....
Sherman.....	843.....
Valley.....	992.....
Webster.....	821.....
Wheeler.....	271.....
York.....	3,036.....
TOTAL.....	48,624.....

\*Nonpartisan office.

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 State Board of Education\*

District 7

County	Molly O'Holleran	Robin R. Stevens
Arthur.....	105	40
Benet.....	154	73
Blaine.....	76	51
Box Butte.....	1,626	800
Brown.....	568	241
Chase.....	650	340
Cherry.....	983	446
Cheyenne.....	1,918	551
Custer.....	1,510	1,268
Dawes.....	1,205	813
Dawson.....	1,888	2,738
Deuel.....	369	161
Dundy.....	233	288
Frontier.....	351	464
Furnas.....	727	555
Garden.....	289	167
Gosper.....	289	274
Grant.....	117	53
Harlan.....	503	447
Hayes.....	251	82
Hitchcock.....	505	354
Hooker.....	167	34
Keith.....	1,455	696
Keya Paha.....	150	84
Kimball.....	554	403
Lincoln.....	7,109	2,946
Logan.....	215	84
Loup.....	109	64
McPherson.....	157	44
Morrill.....	634	494
Perkins.....	568	265
Phelps.....	1,224	1,171
Red Willow.....	1,539	1,123
Rock.....	233	165
Scotts Bluff.....	4,981	2,645
Sheridan.....	689	566
Sioux.....	226	133
Thomas.....	175	57
TOTAL.....	34,502	21,178

District 8

County	Patrick J. McPherson	Bob Meyers
Douglas.....	26,204	21,797

\* Nonpartisan office.

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District 1

County	Tim Clare
Lancaster.....	51,394

District 5

County	Rob Schafer	Steve Glenn
Butler.....	1,483	1,128
Cass.....	3,486	2,910
Clay.....	1,008	793
Fillmore.....	1,071	930
Gage.....	3,609	3,196
Jefferson.....	1,227	1,136
Johnson.....	859	707
Lancaster.....	4,892	5,057
Nemaha.....	1,077	1,020
Nuckolls.....	698	565
Osceola.....	2,554	2,148
Payne.....	785	295
Richardson.....	1,229	1,099
Saline.....	1,651	1,630
Saunders.....	3,045	2,584
Seward.....	2,532	2,187
Thayer.....	920	820
TOTAL.....	32,126	28,205

District 2

County	Howard Hawks
Douglas.....	24,410
Sarpy.....	24,241
TOTAL.....	48,651

Public Service Commission

District 2

County	Democratic Crystal Rhoades	Republican John Sieler
Douglas.....	46,405	35,519

\* Nonpartisan office.

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Legislature\*

District 2

County	Bill Kintner	Ron Nolte
Cass	4,552	3,354
Otoe	471	253
Sarpy	2,221	880
TOTAL	7,244	4,487

District 3

County	Carol Blood	Tommy L. Garrett
Sarpy	4,179	4,845

District 4

County	Robert Hilkemann	Stacy Ryan
Douglas	6,698	4,983

District 6

County	Joni Craighead	John Stalnaker
Douglas	5,726	5,401

District 8

County	Burke J. Harr	Gwenn Aspen
Douglas	4,834	3,916

District 10

County	Bob Krist
Douglas	7,988

\* Nonpartisan office.

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## Legislature

### District 12

<b>County</b>	<b>Greg Hosch</b>	<b>Merv Riepe</b>
Douglas.....	3,167.....	5,622.....

### District 14

<b>County</b>	<b>Jim Smith</b>
Sarpy.....	8,475.....

### District 16

<b>County</b>	<b>Lydia Brasch</b>	<b>Scott Japp</b>
Burt.....	1,820.....	849.....
Canning.....	2,192.....	546.....
Washington.....	3,774.....	2,473.....
<b>TOTAL.....</b>	<b>7,786.....</b>	<b>3,868.....</b>

### District 18

<b>County</b>	<b>Brett Lindstrom</b>	<b>J. Michael Tesar</b>
Douglas.....	4,907.....	4,031.....

### District 20

<b>County</b>	<b>Matt Lathrop</b>	<b>John S. McCollister</b>
Douglas.....	5,898.....	6,409.....

### District 22

<b>County</b>	<b>Paul Schumacher</b>	<b>Douglas J. Liewer</b>
Colfax.....	335.....	45.....
Platte.....	6,667.....	1,882.....
Stanton.....	741.....	232.....
<b>TOTAL.....</b>	<b>7,743.....</b>	<b>2,159.....</b>

\* Nonpartisan office.

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Legislature

District 24

County	Mark A. Kolterman	Kirk Tesar
Polk.....	1,075	293
Seward.....	4,144	803
York.....	2,752	841
TOTAL.....	7,971	1,937

District 26

County	Matt Hansen	Brent Smoyer
Lancaster.....	5,376	4,442

District 28

County	Patty Pansing Brooks	Dallas Jones
Lancaster.....	7,481	4,706

District 30

County	Roy Baker	Bob Tiemann
Gage.....	3,740	3,201
Lancaster.....	2,825	1,946
TOTAL.....	6,565	5,147

District 32

County	Laura Ebke	Phil Hardenburger
Fillmore.....	1,052	1,045
Jefferson.....	1,580	923
Lancaster.....	1,024	993
Saline.....	1,462	2,165
Thayer.....	984	815
TOTAL.....	6,102	5,941

District 34

County	Curt Friesen
Hall.....	3,137
Hamilton.....	2,892
Merrick.....	2,092
Nance.....	732
TOTAL.....	8,853

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Legislature

District 36

County	Luis Sotelo	Matt Williams
Buffalo.....	201	761
Custer.....	64	2,887
Dawson.....	1,306	3,951
TOTAL.....	2,148	7,599

District 40

County	Tyson Rope Larson	Keith F. Kube
Boyd.....	601	269
Cedar.....	1,959	967
Dixon.....	1,097	589
Holt.....	2,285	1,216
Knox.....	2,141	1,003
Rock.....	428	135
TOTAL.....	8,511	4,179

District 44

County	Dan Hughes	Steve Stroup
Chase.....	1,010	357
Dundy.....	282	427
Frontier.....	453	437
Furnas.....	756	770
Gosper.....	300	318
Harlan.....	556	615
Hayes.....	284	145
Hitchcock.....	524	574
Perkins.....	891	131
Red Willow.....	1,868	1,415
TOTAL.....	6,924	5,189

District 38

County	John L. Kuehn
Buffalo.....	958
Clay.....	1,521
Franklin.....	975
Kearney.....	2,142
Nuckolls.....	968
Phelps.....	2,490
Webster.....	879
TOTAL.....	9,933

District 42

County	Michael Groene	Roric R. Paulman
Lincoln.....	5,322	5,008

District 46

County	James Michael Bowers	Adam Morfeld
Lancaster.....	1,427	3,073

District 48

County	Mike Meister	John P. Stinner, Sr.
Scotts Bluff.....	2,757	6,484

\* Nonpartisan office.

**Nebraska General Election Statistics — November 4, 2014 (Cont'd.)**  
**Supreme Court - Vote to Retain Judges**

District 2

<u>Lindsey Miller-Lerman</u>		
County	Yes	No
Douglas.....	42,350	19,531

**Judge of the Court of Appeals - Vote to Retain Judges**

District 2

<u>Michael W. Pirtle</u>		
County	Yes	No
Douglas.....	40,266	19,668

District 4

<u>John F. Irwin</u>		
County	Yes	No
Douglas.....	25,979	13,010
Sarpy.....	20,405	8,359
Total.....	46,384	21,369

Nebraska General Election Statistics — November 4, 2014 (Cont'd.)

Vote to Retain Judges  
Judge of the Workers' Compensation Court

Michael K. High		Michael K. High		Michael K. High	
County	Yes	No	County	Yes	No
Adams	5,274	1,342	Furnas	964	360
Anelaphe	1,220	549	Gage	4,305	1,272
Arthur	89	51	Garden	307	170
Banner	165	61	Garfield	305	152
Blaine	90	49	Gosper	438	140
Boone	1,034	479	Grant	123	60
Box Butte	1,867	675	Greeley	345	156
Boyd	342	254	Hall	8,704	2,256
Brown	634	226	Hamilton	2,048	608
Buffalo	8,098	2,254	Harlan	785	255
Burt	1,442	721	Hayes	196	107
Butler	1,480	772	Hitchcock	549	325
Cass	4,090	2,248	Holt	1,846	951
Cedar	1,576	622	Hooker	125	62
Chase	724	282	Howard	1,122	455
Cherry	914	597	Jefferson	1,576	485
Cheyenne	1,654	611	Johnson	803	489
Clay	1,272	386	Kearney	1,627	280
Colfax	1,068	489	Keith	1,424	694
Cuming	1,541	602	Keya Paha	162	63
Custer	2,172	872	Kimball	718	297
Dakota	2,235	803	Knox	1,812	629
Dawes	1,557	526	Lancaster	47,758	15,657
Dawson	3,292	925	Lincoln	6,263	2,596
Deuel	353	206	Logan	185	87
Dixon	1,062	411	Leop.	132	64
Dodge	6,558	2,048	Madison	5,648	1,819
Douglas	68,767	35,659	McPherson	95	73
Dundy	302	188	Merrick	1,599	511
Fillmore	1,215	471	Morrill	824	395
Franklin	762	290	Nance	506	265
Frontier	553	154	Nemaha	1,252	631
			Nickolls		
			Otoe	805	315
			Pawnee	3,095	1,195
			Perkins	543	294
			Phelps	559	216
			Pierce	2,119	539
			Platte	1,342	488
			Polk	5,201	1,837
			Red Willow	887	477
			Richardson	1,952	760
			Rock	1,248	885
			Saline	287	151
			Sarpy	2,132	744
			Saunders	24,726	11,111
			Scotts Bluff	3,699	1,894
			Seward	6,237	1,717
			Sheridan	3,067	1,042
			Sherman	875	504
			Sioux	656	280
			Stanton	281	116
			Thayer	967	381
			Thomas	1,052	386
			Thurston	148	60
			Valley	681	429
			Washington	773	388
			Wayne	3,423	1,765
			Webster	1,598	508
			Wheeler	722	224
			York	191	79
			TOTAL	2,507	950
				289,721	118,103

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 Vote to Retain Judges  
 Judge of the Workers' Compensation Court

County	Thomas E. Stine		County	Thomas E. Stine		County	Thomas E. Stine	
	Yes	No		Yes	No		Yes	No
Adams	5,351	1,338	Furnas	959	376	Nuckolls	805	318
Antelope	1,243	567	Gage	4,449	1,314	Osceola	3,148	1,227
Arthur	89	51	Garden	310	172	Pawnee	570	288
Banner	165	62	Garfield	313	155	Perkins	572	222
Blaine	96	44	Gosper	438	137	Phelps	2,120	562
Boone	1,077	473	Grant	122	59	Pierce	1,380	488
Box Butte	1,880	669	Greeley	370	151	Platte	5,471	1,803
Boyd	354	269	Hall	9,033	2,316	Polk	890	479
Brown	643	227	Hamilton	2,077	610	Red Willow	1,963	773
Buffalo	8,118	2,530	Harlan	792	252	Richardson	1,262	895
Burr	1,453	735	Hayes	208	107	Rock	289	155
Butler	1,515	781	Hitchcock	563	330	Saline	2,191	743
Cass	4,388	2,186	Holt	1,894	949	Sarpy	25,300	10,966
Cedar	1,638	622	Hooker	125	62	Saunders	3,792	1,899
Chase	726	298	Howard	1,138	472	Scotts Bluff	6,414	1,807
Cherry	956	383	Jefferson	1,624	483	Seward	3,119	1,056
Cheyenne	1,696	607	Johnson	825	489	Sherridan	890	494
Clay	1,304	395	Kearney	1,638	488	Sherman	660	291
Colfax	1,120	493	Keith	1,469	697	Sioux	290	119
Cuming	1,578	623	Keya Paha	163	69	Stanton	996	361
Custer	2,255	892	Kimball	729	296	Thayer	1,077	381
Dakota	2,289	812	Knox	1,834	651	Thomas	148	65
Dawes	1,569	542	Lancaster	48,282	15,590	Thurston	693	449
Dawson	3,308	977	Lincoln	6,398	2,629	Valley	799	381
Deuel	361	207	Logan	200	79	Washington	3,517	1,755
Dixon	1,077	413	Loup	139	61	Wayne	1,622	511
Dodge	6,682	2,014	Madison	5,751	1,847	Webster	739	226
Douglas	70,511	35,302	McPherson	105	68	Wheeler	189	85
Dundy	312	189	Merrick	1,640	534	York	2,569	941
Fillmore	1,292	473	Morrill	837	406	TOTAL	296,091	118,108
Franklin	774	286	Nance	525	272			
Frontier	557	158	Nemaha	1,289	629			

# Nebraska General Election Statistics — November 4, 2014 (Cont'd.)

## Vote to Retain Judges Judge of the Workers' Compensation Court

County	Laureen Van Norman		Laureen Van Norman		Laureen Van Norman		
	Yes	No	Yes	No	County	Yes	No
Adams	5,306	1,329	960	374	Nuckolls	804	317
Antelope	1,225	564	4,466	1,261	Otoe	3,120	1,209
Arthur	92	48	312	172	Pawnee	568	277
Banner	165	62	308	154	Perkins	556	220
Blaine	92	46	416	146	Phelps	2,122	555
Boone	1,068	466	120	60	Pierce	1,358	494
Box Butte	1,883	664	353	158	Platte	5,242	1,832
Boyd	342	263	8,863	2,240	Polk	896	473
Brown	648	216	2,057	605	Red Willow	1,957	756
Buffalo	8,138	2,265	788	253	Richardson	1,265	882
Burt	1,458	724	203	101	Rock	306	151
Butler	1,470	793	567	318	Saline	2,171	742
Cass	4,224	2,209	1,860	954	Sarpy	25,299	10,878
Cedar	1,606	630	122	63	Saunders	3,779	1,879
Chase	725	289	1,132	450	Scotts Bluff	6,345	1,709
Cherry	938	590	1,613	464	Seward	3,079	1,053
Cheyenne	1,652	634	818	480	Sheridan	877	506
Clay	1,277	393	1,744	453	Sioux	662	286
Colfax	1,068	490	1,427	703	Stanton	286	122
Cuming	1,572	593	166	60	Thayer	987	367
Custer	2,231	878	724	293	Thomas	1,070	381
Dakota	2,263	806	1,822	624	Thosmas	144	66
Dawes	1,570	530	48,961	15,149	Thurston	707	410
Dawson	3,298	952	6,400	2,590	Valley	780	388
Deuel	365	204	195	81	Washington	3,479	1,747
Dixon	1,079	407	134	63	Wayne	1,626	496
Dodge	6,632	2,005	5,718	1,812	Webster	721	231
Douglas	70,981	34,165	94	75	York	195	81
Dundy	304	189	1,633	528	TOTAL	295,838	115,756
Fillmore	1,269	479	841	392			
Franklin	783	285	526	265			
Frontier	544	166	1,268	639			

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 District Court - Vote to Retain Judges

District 1

County	<u>Daniel E. Bryan, Jr.</u>		<u>Paul W. Korslund</u>	
	Yes	No	Yes	No
Clay.....	1,314	356	1,264	368
Fillmore.....	1,619	335	1,244	419
Gage.....	4,456	1,222	5,638	1,004
Jefferson.....	1,640	433	1,873	426
Johnson.....	811	525	811	479
Nemaha.....	1,470	610	1,248	622
Nuckolls.....	797	290	765	293
Payne.....	621	284	608	267
Richardson.....	1,321	950	1,215	878
Saline.....	2,226	674	2,233	685
Thayer.....	1,119	344	1,096	344
TOTAL.....	17,394	6,023	17,995	5,785

District 2

County	<u>David K. Arterburn</u>	
	Yes	No
Cass.....	4,155	2,176
Otoe.....	3,083	1,158
Sarpy.....	25,189	10,575
TOTAL.....	32,427	13,909



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 District Court - Vote to Retain Judges

District 5

County	Mary C. Gilbride	
	Yes	No
Boone.....	1,052	461
Butler.....	1,424	934
Colfax.....	1,123	478
Hamilton.....	2,075	574
Merrick.....	1,610	498
Nance.....	528	255
Platte.....	5,264	1,796
Polk.....	923	438
Saunders.....	3,722	2,357
Seward.....	3,111	1,007
York.....	2,553	910
TOTAL.....	23,385	9,708

District 6

County	Geoffrey C. Hall		Paul J. Vaughan	
	Yes	No	Yes	No
Burt.....	1,499	668	1,456	709
Cedar.....	1,588	580	1,624	603
Dakota.....	2,226	776	2,299	772
Dixon.....	1,071	391	1,147	394
Dodge.....	6,838	1,909	7,301	1,810
Thurston.....	656	418	679	427
Washington.....	3,714	1,669	3,509	1,729
TOTAL.....	17,592	6,411	18,015	6,444

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 District Court - Vote to Retain Judges

District 8

County	Mark D. Kozisek	
	Yes	No
Blaine.....	102	47
Boyd.....	375	249
Brown.....	877	176
Cherry.....	1,075	607
Custer.....	2,256	804
Garfield.....	315	153
Greeley.....	354	155
Holt.....	2,121	868
Howard.....	1,167	406
Keya Paha.....	241	56
Loup.....	137	63
Rock.....	363	143
Sherman.....	688	265
Valley.....	802	367
Wheeler.....	199	77
TOTAL.....	11,072	4,436

District 10

County	Terri S. Harder	
	Yes	No
Adams.....	5,818	1,245
Franklin.....	867	250
Harlan.....	814	240
Kearney.....	1,798	453
Phelps.....	2,253	489
Webster.....	776	229
TOTAL.....	12,526	2,906

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 District Court - Vote to Retain Judges

District 11

County	Richard A Birch		Donald E. Rowlands	
	Yes	No	Yes	No
Arthur .....	97	45	101	47
Chase.....	723	269	739	260
Dawson.....	3,281	906	3,435	906
Dundy .....	318	176	296	182
Frontier.....	555	156	575	141
Furnas .....	965	354	940	358
Gosport .....	433	137	433	135
Hayes.....	207	100	217	100
Hitchcock .....	561	316	566	306
Hooker.....	135	56	149	57
Kath.....	1,497	668	1,616	665
Lincoln .....	6,992	2,333	7,175	2,485
Logan.....	200	79	216	77
McPherson .....	118	68	140	62
Perkins.....	564	219	619	211
Red Willow .....	1,941	742	1,940	733
Thomas.....	160	57	174	54
TOTAL.....	18,747	6,681	19,331	6,779

Nebraska General Election Statistics — November 4, 2014 (Cont'd.)  
 District Court - Vote to Retain Judges

District 12

County	Randall L. Lippstreu		Travis P. O'Gorman	
	Yes	No	Yes	No
Banner.....	203	49	175	53
Bex Butte.....	2,052	584	2,246	502
Cheyenne.....	1,814	541	1,698	585
Dawes.....	1,625	516	1,768	466
Deuel.....	360	196	354	201
Garden.....	324	160	316	160
Grant.....	119	66	132	57
Kimball.....	749	276	716	277
Morrill.....	959	354	854	377
Scotts Bluff.....	7,385	1,470	6,346	1,587
Sheridan.....	866	484	922	464
Stout.....	316	107	307	100
TOTAL.....	16,770	4,803	15,834	4,829

Juvenile Court - Vote to Retain Judges

Lancaster County

<u>Linda S. Porter</u>	
Yes	No
49,725.....	13,939

Sarpy County

<u>Lawrence D. Gendler</u>	
Yes	No
25,909.....	10,228

Nebraska General Election Statistics — November 4, 2014 (Cont'd.)  
 County Court - Vote to Retain Judges

District 1

County	Curtis L. Maschman		Steven B. Timm	
	Yes	No	Yes	No
Gage.....	4,384	1,212	5,371	1,151
Jefferson.....	1,705	397	1,818	413
Johnson.....	854	450	860	473
Nemaha.....	1,468	559	1,275	601
Platte.....	729	219	598	270
Richardson.....	1,598	767	1,253	877
Saline.....	2,185	682	2,201	681
Thayer.....	1,095	334	1,065	358
TOTAL.....	14,018	4,620	14,441	4,824

District 2

County	Todd J. Hutton	
	Yes	No
Cass.....	4,158	2,149
Otoe.....	3,082	1,158
Sarpy.....	25,161	10,476
TOTAL.....	32,401	13,783

District 4

County	Joseph P. Caniglia		Marcena M. Hendrix		John E. Huber		Marcela A. Keim		Sheryl L. Lohaus	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Douglas.....	76,633	32,021	69,872	35,240	68,185	36,182	72,062	33,095	70,506	34,404

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 County Court - Vote to Retain Judges

District 4 (Cont'd.)

County	Darryl R. Lowe		Craig Q. McDermott	
	Yes	No	Yes	No
Douglas.....	67,359	38,324	72,287	32,674

District 5

County	Patrick R. McDermott		Linda Caster Senff	
	Yes	No	Yes	No
Boone.....	1,084	438	1,073	450
Butler.....	1,548	733	1,448	744
Colfax.....	1,185	451	1,093	465
Hamilton.....	2,100	549	2,372	560
Merrick.....	1,657	462	1,651	474
Nance.....	507	255	512	262
Platte.....	5,377	1,685	5,167	1,736
Polk.....	889	442	905	433
Saunders.....	3,847	1,769	3,582	1,816
Seward.....	3,092	969	3,040	997
York.....	2,553	871	2,604	848
TOTAL.....	23,819	8,624	23,417	8,785

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County Court - Vote to Retain Judges

District 6

County	Charles M. Samuelson		Kenneth J. Vampola	
	Yes	No	Yes	No
Burt.....	1,577	702	1,578	723
Cedar.....	1,554	574	1,520	615
Dakota.....	2,293	755	2,181	831
Dixon.....	1,072	388	1,041	420
Doegge.....	6,797	1,764	7,546	1,788
Thurston.....	798	370	692	389
Washington.....	3,764	1,628	3,553	1,644
TOTAL.....	17,855	6,181	17,711	6,410

District 9

County	Arthur S. Wetzel	
	Yes	No
Berfalo.....	8,002	2,228
Hall.....	9,889	1,893
TOTAL.....	17,891	4,121

District 10

County	Michael P. Burns	
	Yes	No
Adams.....	5,844	1,137
Clay.....	1,403	341
Fillmore.....	1,323	397
Franklin.....	796	275
Harlan.....	780	240
Kearney.....	1,624	443
Nuckolls.....	797	278
Phelps.....	2,125	496
Webster.....	767	205
TOTAL.....	15,459	3,812

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County Court - Vote to Retain Judges

District 11

County	Michael E. Piccolo		Edward D. Steenburg		Kent D. Turnbull	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Arthur	95	45	102	46	104	46
Chase	703	281	785	242	733	259
Dawson	3,195	997	3,322	879	3,363	919
Dundy	292	179	322	178	298	177
Frontier	551	151	547	146	605	145
Furnas	915	366	944	346	943	350
Gosper	411	143	454	127	429	131
Hayes	209	103	210	95	216	97
Hitchcock	543	316	559	294	548	306
Hooker	137	58	130	54	164	56
Keith	1,472	680	1,830	502	1,559	653
Lincoln	7,180	2,363	6,595	2,388	7,265	2,543
Logan	219	74	199	78	244	70
McPherson	123	73	106	72	147	65
Perkins	566	212	672	174	602	215
Red Willow	1,889	761	1,968	692	1,941	729
Thomas	166	54	159	54	182	49
TOTAL	18,666	6,856	18,884	6,367	19,345	6,810

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 County Court - Vote to Retain Judges

District 12

County	Kris Mickey		James M. Worden	
	Yes	No	Yes	No
Banner.....	195	48	211	48
Box Butte.....	1,942	606	1,965	601
Cheyenne.....	1,682	574	1,703	570
Dawes.....	1,540	527	1,557	511
Deuel.....	351	203	351	201
Garden.....	298	169	303	169
Grant.....	121	58	120	59
Kimball.....	711	278	710	279
Morrill.....	887	361	969	333
Scotts Bluff.....	7,013	1,526	7,261	1,454
Sherridan.....	867	467	857	473
Sioux.....	315	95	311	98
TOTAL.....	15,922	4,912	16,318	4,796

# Nebraska General Election Statistics — November 4, 2014 (Cont'd.) Initiative Measure 425

An initiative measure to amend Nebraska statute to increase the current state minimum wage rate for employees from \$7.25 per hour to \$8.00 per hour on Jan. 1, 2015, and to \$9.00 per hour on Jan. 1, 2016.

County	For	Against	County	For	Against
Adams.....	4,655	3,622	Jefferson.....	1,387	1,138
Antelope.....	1,195	1,322	Johnson.....	975	615
Arthur.....	76	97	Kearney.....	1,339	1,190
Banner.....	118	148	Keith.....	1,358	1,126
Blaine.....	86	93	Keya Paha.....	167	198
Boone.....	1,190	977	Kimball.....	701	495
Box Butte.....	1,818	1,118	Knox.....	1,774	1,321
Boyd.....	446	439	Lancaster.....	53,163	30,791
Brown.....	612	495	Lincoln.....	5,607	4,713
Buffalo.....	6,909	6,245	Logan.....	134	208
Burt.....	1,806	982	Loup.....	175	129
Butler.....	1,726	1,360	Madison.....	4,662	4,573
Cass.....	4,891	3,566	McPherson.....	105	135
Cedar.....	1,631	1,236	Merrick.....	1,463	1,374
Chase.....	684	691	Morrill.....	780	723
Cherry.....	1,023	1,125	Nance.....	698	448
Cheyenne.....	1,624	1,137	Nemaha.....	1,345	1,012
Clay.....	1,099	1,030	Nuckolls.....	728	737
Colfax.....	1,071	844	Otoe.....	3,182	2,186
Cuming.....	1,590	1,177	Pawnee.....	585	450
Custer.....	2,137	2,033	Perkins.....	541	466
Dakota.....	2,483	1,218	Phelps.....	1,655	1,575
Dawes.....	1,510	1,163	Pierce.....	1,117	1,176
Dawson.....	3,005	2,296	Platte.....	4,760	4,281
Deuel.....	402	273	Polk.....	844	814
Dixon.....	1,191	709	Red Willow.....	1,723	1,686
Dodge.....	6,268	3,794	Richardson.....	1,589	888
Douglas.....	90,515	48,310	Rock.....	316	279
Dundy.....	331	339	Saline.....	2,210	1,354
Fillmore.....	1,262	1,034	Sarpy.....	25,824	18,289
Franklin.....	701	621	Saunders.....	3,999	3,075
Frontier.....	481	439	Scotts Bluff.....	4,829	3,629
Furnas.....	903	695	Seward.....	2,797	2,485
Gage.....	4,259	2,896	Sheridan.....	787	825
Garden.....	330	278	Sherman.....	719	530
Garfield.....	308	387	Sioux.....	264	266
Gosper.....	396	317	Stanton.....	843	821
Grant.....	128	129	Thayer.....	1,004	915
Greeley.....	434	321	Thomas.....	137	153
Hall.....	7,905	5,672	Thurston.....	972	371
Hamilton.....	1,668	1,845	Valley.....	754	815
Harlan.....	659	582	Washington.....	3,435	3,200
Hayes.....	184	259	Wayne.....	1,428	1,185
Hitchcock.....	587	537	Webster.....	629	591
Holt.....	1,858	1,700	Wheeler.....	201	198
Hooker.....	162	125	York.....	2,264	2,181
Howard.....	1,115	929	<b>TOTAL.....</b>	<b>311,401</b>	<b>212,215</b>

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