

Belton Community Profile

Climate

Temperature

Type	Statistic / Amount
Coldest month	January
Average maximum temperature	35 degrees Fahrenheit
Average minimum temperature	17 degrees Fahrenheit
Hottest Month	July
Average maximum temperature	89 degrees Fahrenheit
Average minimum temperature	69 degrees Fahrenheit

Precipitation

Type	Statistic / Amount
Driest month	January
Normal rainfall	1.0 inch
Wettest month	May
Normal rainfall	5.0 inches
Annual average rainfall	35.2 inches
Snow average	14.0 inches

Population

Location	1980 Population	1990 Population	2000 Population
Belton	12,708	18,150	21,730
Cass County	51,029	63,808	82,092

Government

Government Entity	Type / Amount
Missouri Senate District	31
Missouri House District	120, 123, 124, 125
U.S. Congressional District	5
Type of local government	Charter city
Name of city manager	Ron Trivitt
Name of mayor	Jimmy Odom
Comprehensive city plan?	Yes
Zoning / city?	Yes
Zoning / county?	Yes
Subdivision ordinance with design standards?	Yes
City engineer employed?	Yes

Industrial Development Authority with bonding capacity?	Yes – city and county
Number of fire department personnel	30 full-time, one volunteer
Fire insurance rating	City – four; Outside city – 10
Number of police department personnel	38 city
Garbage service provided?	Yes (private)
Available capacity of public landfill in years	15 years

Major Employers

Company Name	Product / Service	Total Employees
Belton School District	Education	950
Hy-Vee	Food store	325
Quik & Tasty	Distribution center for Quick Trip convenience stores	295
Belton Research Hospital	Health / Medical	234
Price Chopper	Food store	174
City of Belton	Government	155
Home Depot	Home improvement retail	110
Beautiful Savior	Geriatric	100
ROM	Manufacturing	100
Target	Retail	100
Longhorn	Restaurant	96
Durham Bus Company	Bus company	80
Ruby Tuesday	Restaurant	69
Adams Chevrolet	Automotive	50
Carnegie Village	Retirement homes	20
Applebee's	Restaurant	N/A
O'Charley's	Restaurant	N/A

Labor

Category	Cass County	Belton
Civilian labor force	48,305	11,477
Unemployed as % of work force (annual average)	4.0%	2.7%
Median household income (2000)		\$45,581
Per capita income		\$22,393
Median age		32.6 years

Education

- Public Schools: Classification AAA
- Missouri Gold Star Award

- Average pupil / teacher ratio: 22.51/1
- Vocational schools: 8
- Colleges / Universities: 14 public, 10 private
- Community colleges: 10

Type	Number	Enrollment
Early Childhood	1	286
Elementary	4	1720
Upper elementary	1	764
Junior High	1	724
Ninth grade center	1	370
High School	1	1000

Private Schools

Type	Number
Elementary	3
Senior High	1

Health Services

Belton Research Hospital

Type	Amount
Beds	75
Medical doctors	132 on staff, 45 in area
Osteopath	5
Chiropractor	17
Dentist	15
Optometrist	4
Registered nurses	85
Practical nurses	4

Other Hospitals and Facilities in the Area

Name	Distance from Belton
Veteran's Clinic	In Belton
Cass Medical Center	10 miles
Saint Joseph Health Center	13 miles
Lee's Summit Hospital	15 miles
Two Rivers Psychiatric	15 miles
Research Psychiatric Center	17 miles

Commercial Services

Financial Type	Number
Banks	5
Credit Unions	1

Communications

- Telephone Services
 - AT&T
 - Sprint
 - Casstel
 - MCI
- Cable TV: Time Warner
- Post Office Classification: 1

Communication Type	Amount
Newspapers	1 daily, 2 weekly
Radio stations	34
TV channels	11

Industrial

Type	Amount
Machine shops within 30 miles	11
Tool and die services within 30 miles	4

Community Facilities

Type	Amount
Number of hotels / motels	3
Capacity of largest banquet room	150
Number of churches in the city	26
Number of shopping centers	6
Number of public libraries	1

Utilities

Water

Supplied by:	Municipal
Name of supplier	City of Benton 506 Main St. Belton, MO 64012

	Ph: (816) 331-4331
Rate information contact	City Hall
Source	City of Kansas City, MO
Capacity of plant	5,500,000 gallons / day
Average consumption	3,200,000 gallons / day
Storage capacity	3,800,000 gallons

Sanitation

Type of plant	Extended area / activated sludge
Name of supplier	City of Belton 506 Main St. Belton, MO 64012 Ph: (816) 331-4331
Rate information contact	City Hall
Capacity of plant	2,400,000 gallons / day Little Blue District (North of Highway 58) – Unlimited
Present load of plant	700,000 gallons / day Little Blue District – 1,600,000 gallons / day
Sewer use charge	Yes

Electricity

Aquila
215 Locust Hill Rd.
Belton, MO 64012
Ph: (816) 331-0084

Natural Gas Supplier

Missouri Gas Energy
6231 Troost
Kansas City, MO 64130
Ph: (816) 756-5252

Transportation

Railroads

Kansas City Southern Union Pacific

Air

Nearest airport: Lawrence Smith Memorial (Harrisonville, MO): 15 miles from Belton

Amenities	Amount
Runway length?	4,000 feet
Runway lighted?	Yes

Runway paved?	Yes
Aircraft storage?	Yes
Aircraft maintenance?	Yes
Fuel available?	Yes

Other airports serving the area

Kansas City International, 35 miles from Belton

Barge

KC Metro

- 37 docks
- Channel depth: 10 feet

Motor Carrier

Package delivery service

Highway Bus Service

- Distance to nearest interstate: 5 miles
- Distance to nearest four-lane: City

Motor Freight Carriers

- 225 motor freight individual
- 31 dump carriers
- 34 heavy haulers
- 17 dry / liquid

Distance to Major Metropolitan Areas

City	Distance (in miles)
Atlanta	810
Boston	1,444
Chicago	499
Dallas	505
Denver	533
Detroit	769
Indianapolis	498
Kansas City	30
New Orleans	843

Sister Cities

Name	Distance from Belton
Manzanillo, Mexico	2,587 miles

Selkirk, Canada	940 miles
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Recreation

Type	Amount in Belton or within 10 Miles
Public parks	5
Public tennis	4
Country clubs	2
Public swimming pools	1
Public golf courses	3

Nearest public access lake or river: 2.7 miles

Features swimming, fishing, motor boating, water skiing, nature / hiking trails, camping

Other Facilities / Special Events

- Carrie Nation Museum
- Belton Museum
- Vintage Railroad-Train rides
- Community Days
- Mayor's Christmas Tree Lighting
- Vintage Car Cruises
- Farmer's Market

Recreation Attractions within 25 Miles

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Albrecht-Kemper Art Museum • American Royal Rodeo/Horseshow • Argosy Riverboat Casino • Harrah's Casino • Harry S. Truman Library/Museum • K C Chiefs Football • KC Jazz Commission • KC Royals Baseball • Negro League Baseball Hall of Fame • Worlds of Fun Theme Park • Oceans of Fun Theme Park • Nelson-Atkins Museum • KC Attack Indoor Soccer • KC Wizards Outdoor Soccer • KC Blades Hockey | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kansas City Zoo • Lake Jacomo • Longview Lake • Midland Theatre • Powell Gardens • KC Museum • Fort Osage • Swope Park • Starlight Theatre • Westport Ballet • KC Ballet • Crown Center • The Plaza • The Woodlands • Ameristar Casino |
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