



At a Glance

FACTS

- Headquartered in Topeka, Westar Energy employs about 2,400 people and serve nearly 700,000 customers in much of east and east-central Kansas. Our energy centers generate more than 7,000 megawatts of electricity, and we operate and coordinate 35,000 miles of transmission and distribution lines.
- Westar Energy has been nationally recognized for the excellent performance of our energy centers. Westar generates more than 27,000,000 megawatt-hours of electricity per year. Energy centers are strategically placed throughout our service territory, which covers about 10,130 square miles in east and east-central Kansas.
- Westar Energy service trucks and customer service centers use advanced technology to better serve our customers. Our 1-800-LIGHT-KS outage line can accept 30,000 calls per hour. Computer terminals in our service trucks generate work assignments for our crews. During storms, these tools help us restore power quickly.
- It is important to Westar Energy to give something back to the people we serve. Through the Westar Energy Green Team, Westar Energy Foundation and Westar Energy Community Partners, we help preserve the state's environment, support non-profit agencies and encourage volunteerism among our employees and retirees.

Renewable Energy

We're committed to clean, affordable electricity. Our diverse energy portfolio includes 670 megawatts of wind generation produced at five Kansas wind farms strategically located in central and western Kansas. We also purchase clean, renewable power from Waste Management, Inc.'s Rolling Meadows landfill near Topeka.

Transmission

We're building and improving our transmission network to improve reliability, security and efficiency, and integrate renewable energy. In 2012, we commissioned a brand new 50 mile 345,000 volt line running from Wichita to Oklahoma; and broke ground on an even bigger project, Prairie Wind Transmission's 108-mile, high-capacity transmission line in south-central Kansas. Prairie Wind Transmission is a joint venture formed by Westar Energy and Electric Transmission America – a joint venture of subsidiaries of American Electric Power and MidAmerican Energy Holdings Company – to build and own new electric transmission assets in Kansas.

Environmental

Environmental upgrades at our coal-fired power plants have reduced sulfur dioxide emissions by more than 80% and nitrogen oxides almost 60%. Our engineers and environmental experts are using innovative techniques for us to meet our targets for a fraction of the cost. We are developing and installing a one-of-a-kind wetland at Jeffrey Energy Center to treat scrubber wastewater. Combined with a chemical/mechanical process, the wetland will remove all pollutants to required levels, allowing water to flow back to the plant for re-use in the cooling process.

Investing in the Future

The Kanza Educational and Science Park is a partnership between Westar Energy and Topeka Public Schools that allows students to broaden their science, engineering, environmental studies, math and technology backgrounds.

A vision of USD 501 Topeka Public Schools, the park is in the process of site development. The 75-acre Kanza property will benefit elementary, middle and high school students across the district. Plans include an exploration learning center, STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) high school, wind power generation, emerging technology and business locations within the park. Adjacent grasslands will contain kiosks explaining ongoing science projects and feature dozens of tree species.

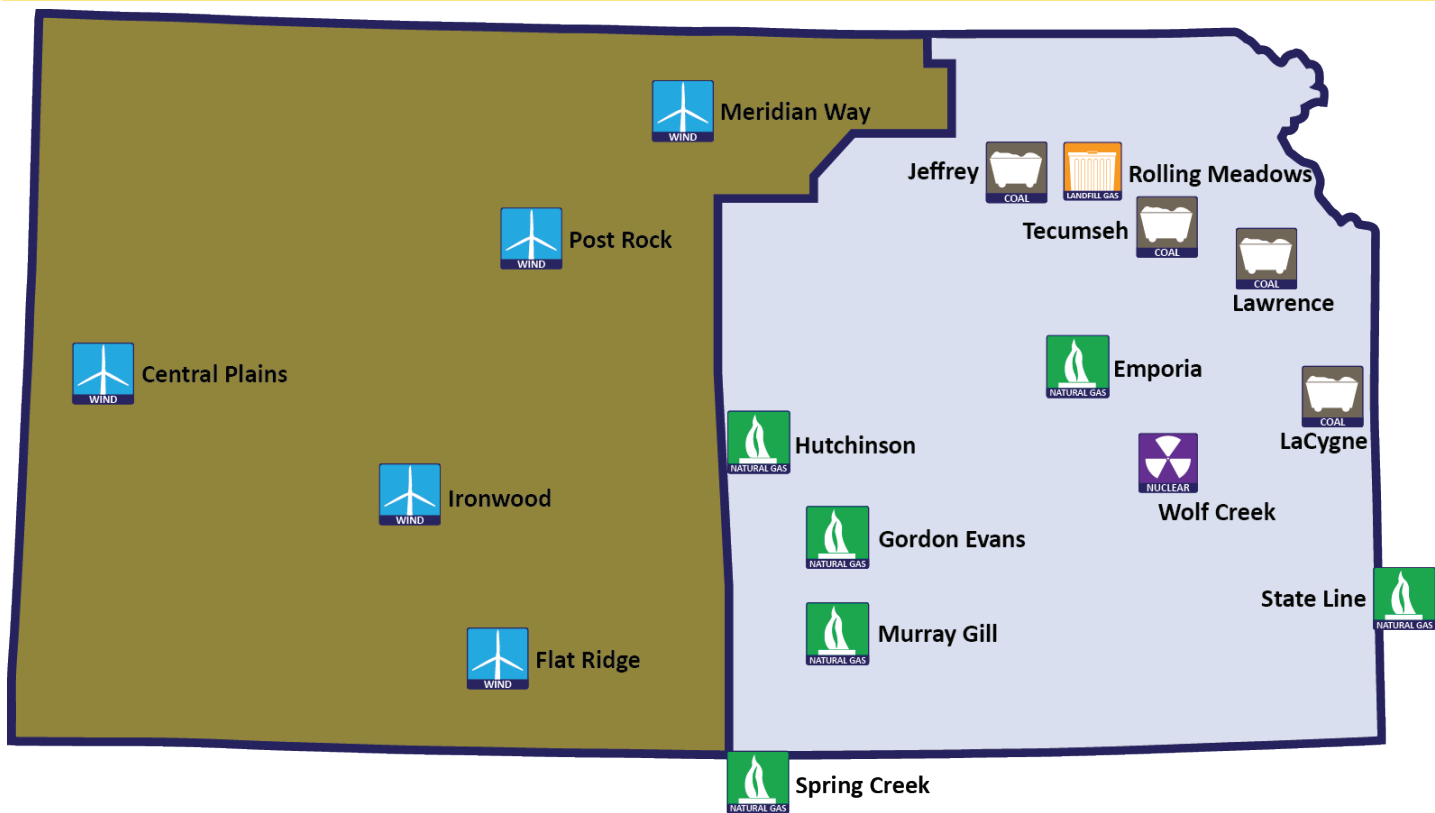


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Westar Energy Generating Facilities

COAL

Jeffrey Energy Center

1857 MW - St. Marys

LaCygne Station

681 MW- LaCygne

Lawrence Energy Center

600 MW- Lawrence

Tecumseh Energy Center

242 MW - Tecumseh

NATURAL GAS

Emporia Energy Center

665 MW - Emporia

Gordon Evans Energy Center

845 MW - Colwich

Hutchinson Energy Center

476 MW - Hutchinson

Murray Gill Energy Center

317 MW - Wichita

Spring Creek Energy Center

300 MW - Logan County, Oklahoma

State Line Combined Cycle Plant

200 MW - West of Joplin, Missouri

LANDFILL GAS

Rolling Meadows Landfill

Gas to Energy Plant

6 MW- Topeka

NUCLEAR

Wolf Creek Nuclear

Operating Corporation

1200 MW - Burlington

WIND

Central Plains Wind Farm

99 MW - Wichita County (Owned Generation)

Flat Ridge Wind Farm

100 MW- Barber County (50 MW Owned/50 MW Purchase)

Ironwood Wind Farm

168 MW - Ford and Hodgeman Counties (Purchase Power Agreement)

Meridian Way Wind Farm

96 MW- Cloud County (Purchase Power Agreement)

Post Rock Wind Farm

201 MW - Ellsworth and Lincoln Counties
(Purchase Power Agreement)



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