



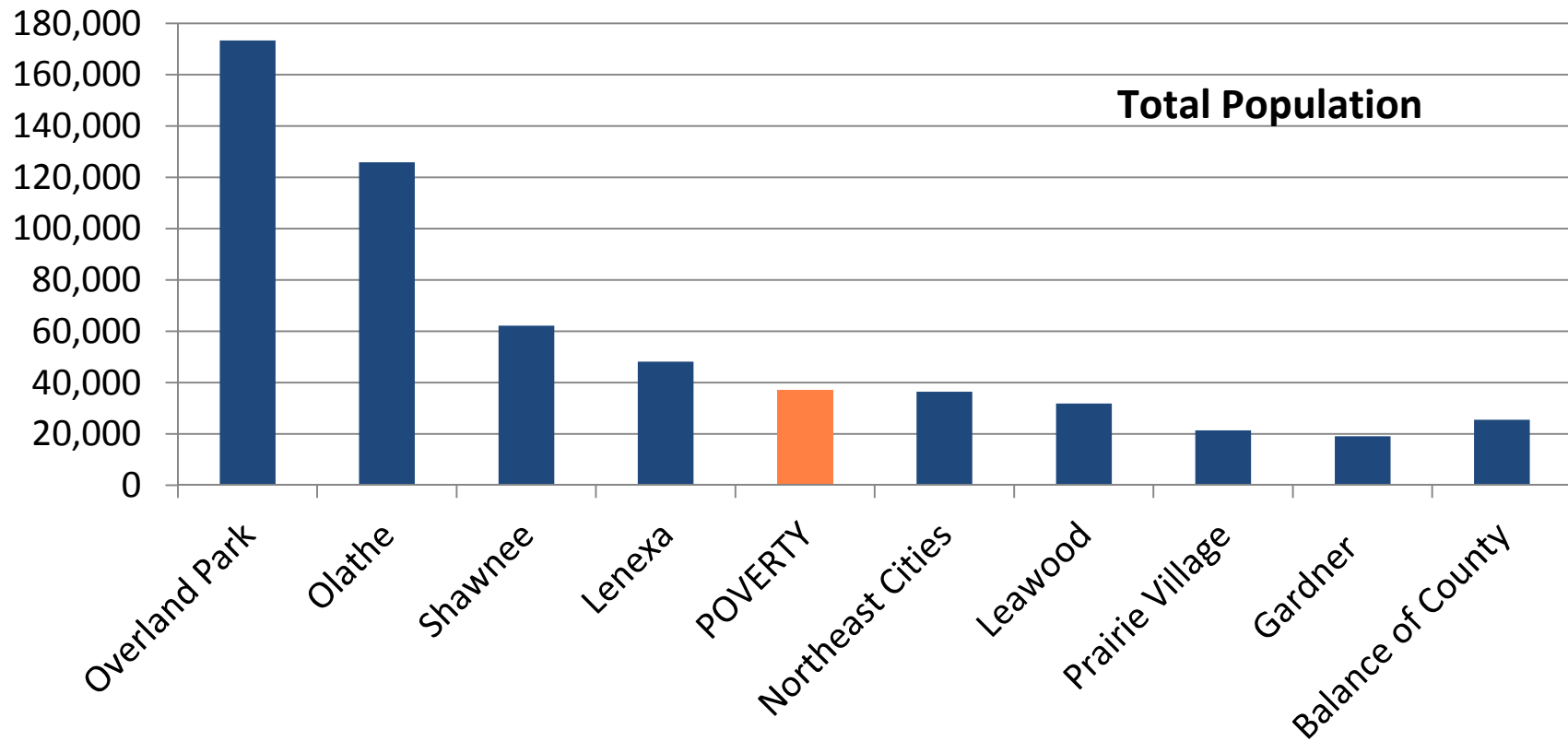
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Johnson County Poverty Trends

May 2014

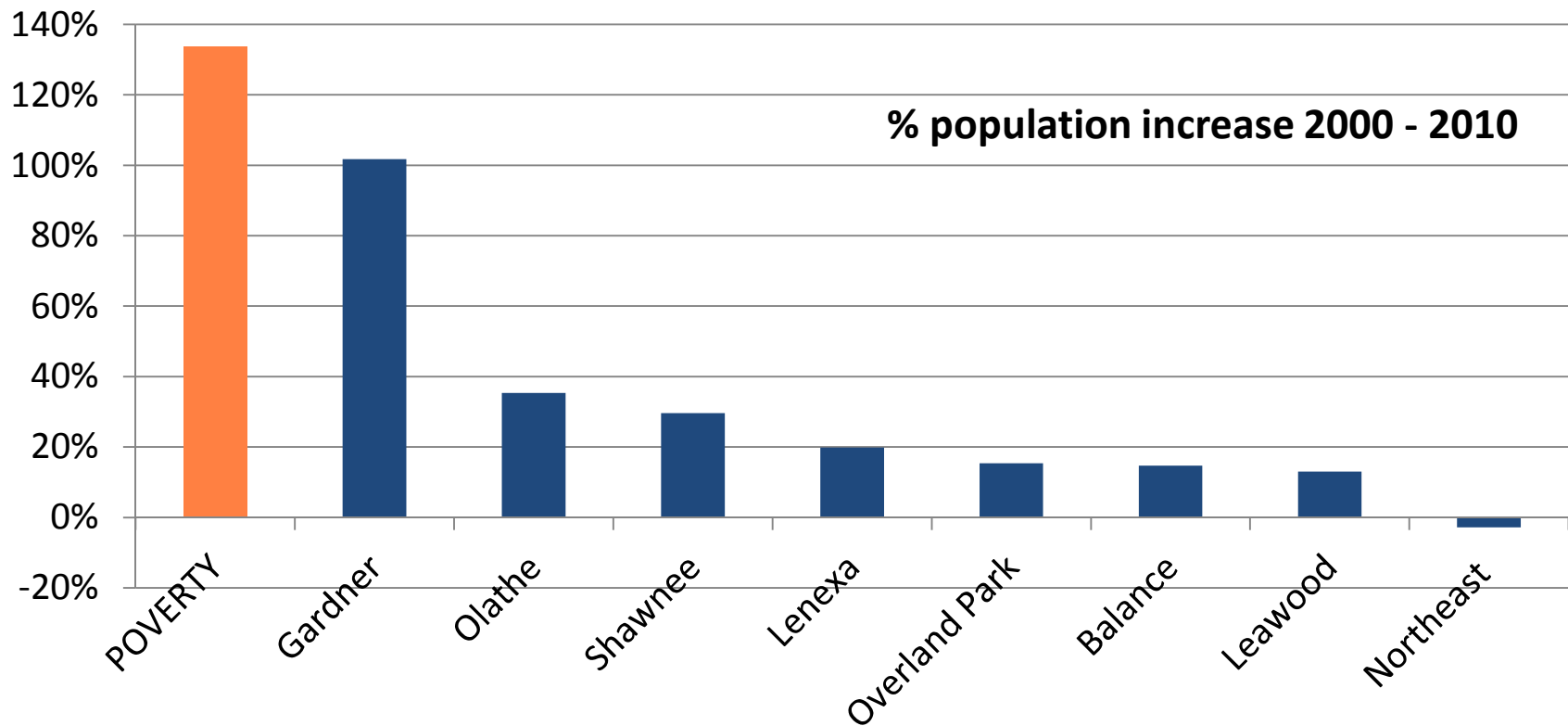
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If poverty was a city..... It would be the 5th largest city in Johnson County



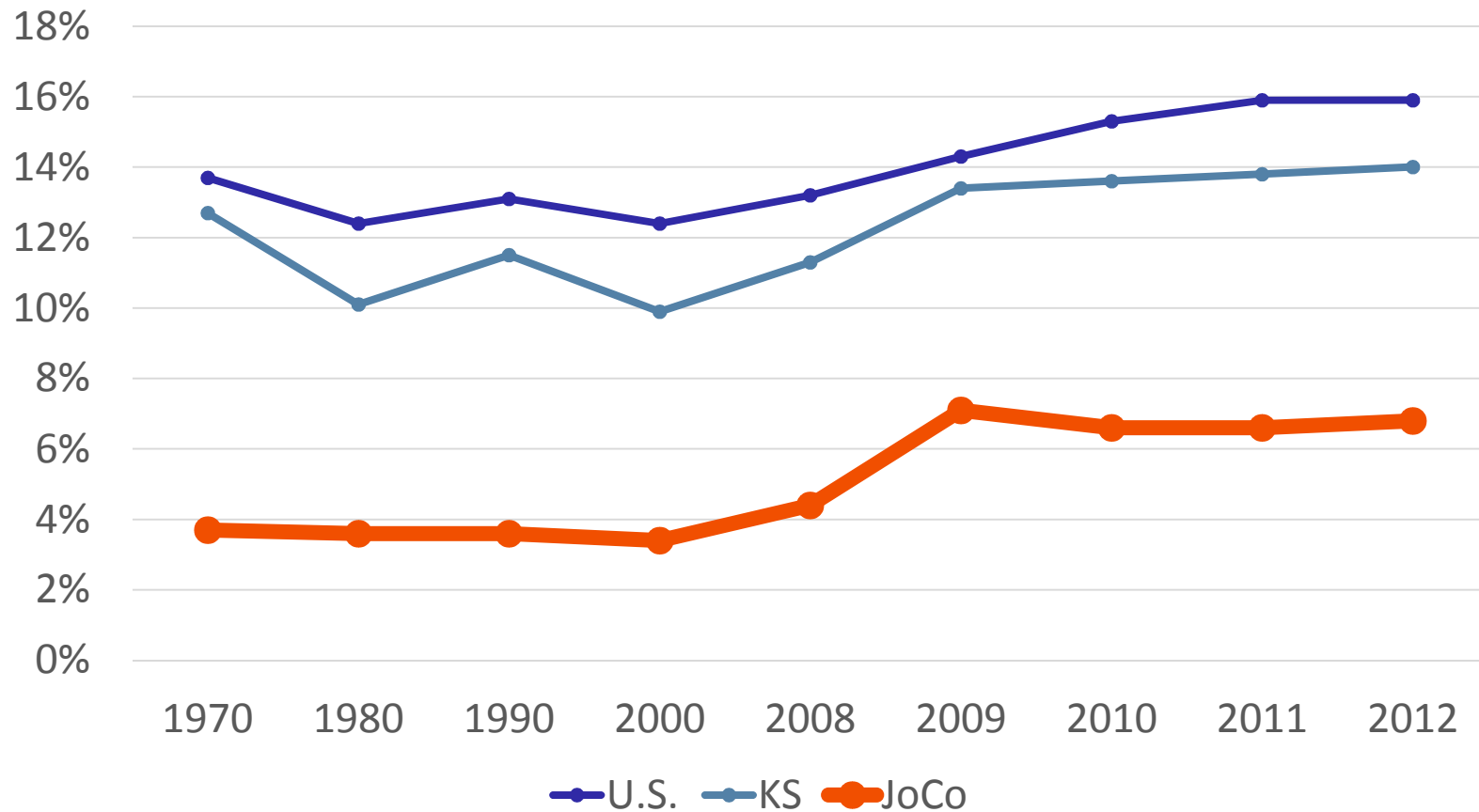
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It would have been the county's fastest growing city during the last decade



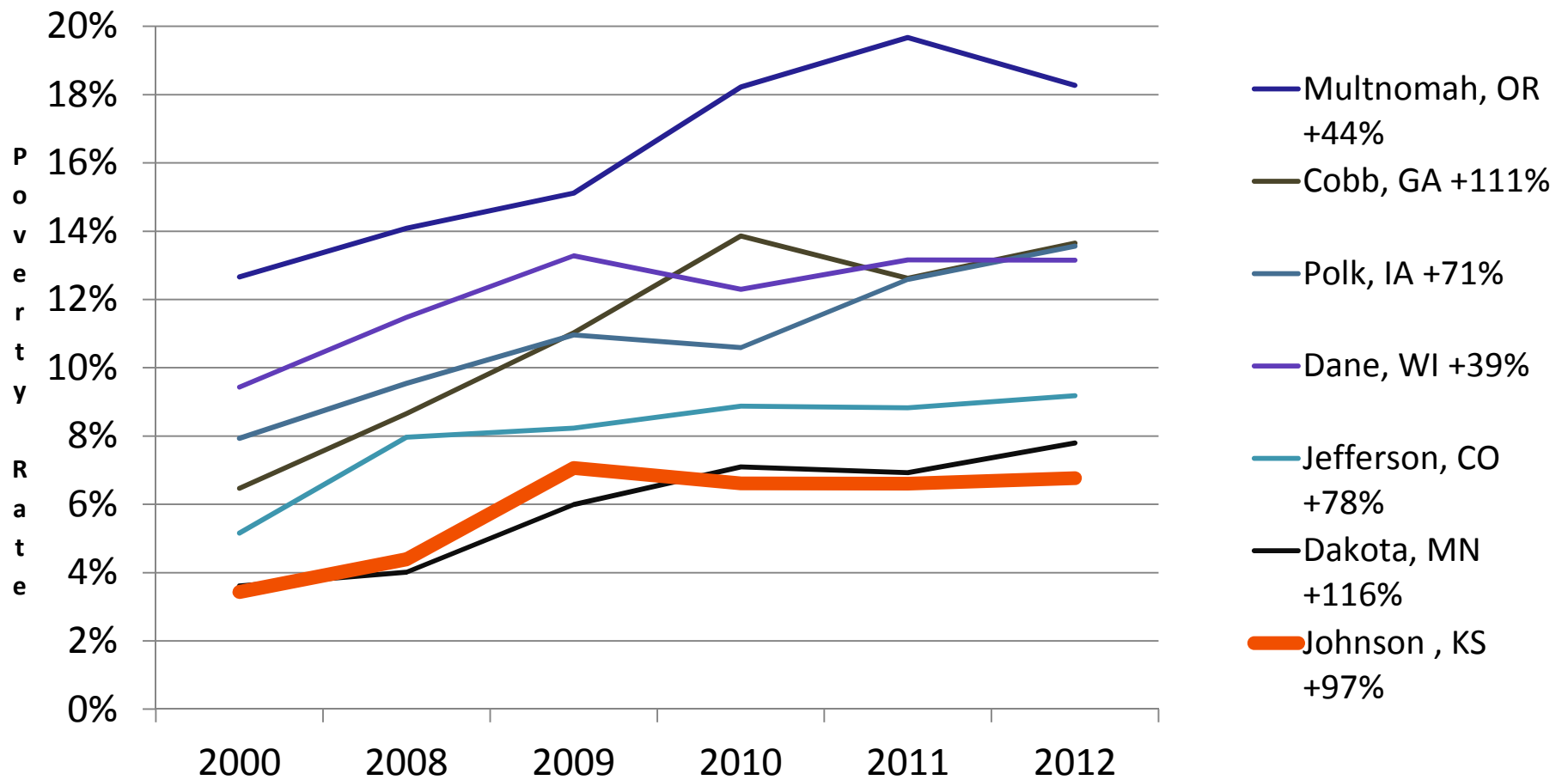
Poverty Rate, 1970-2012

All Ages



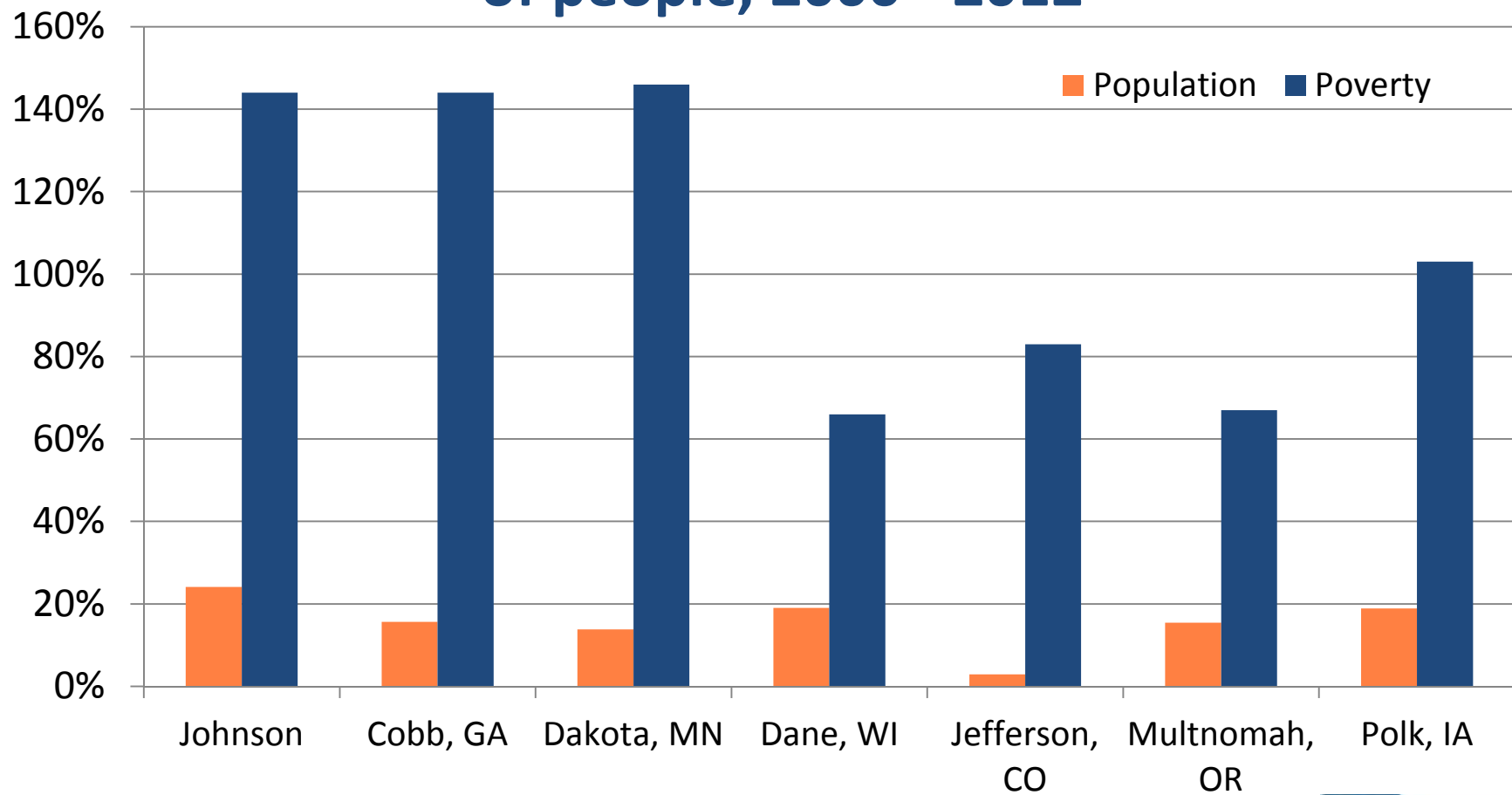
How does Johnson County compare to other suburban counties?

Poverty Rate Trend Line, 2000 - 2012

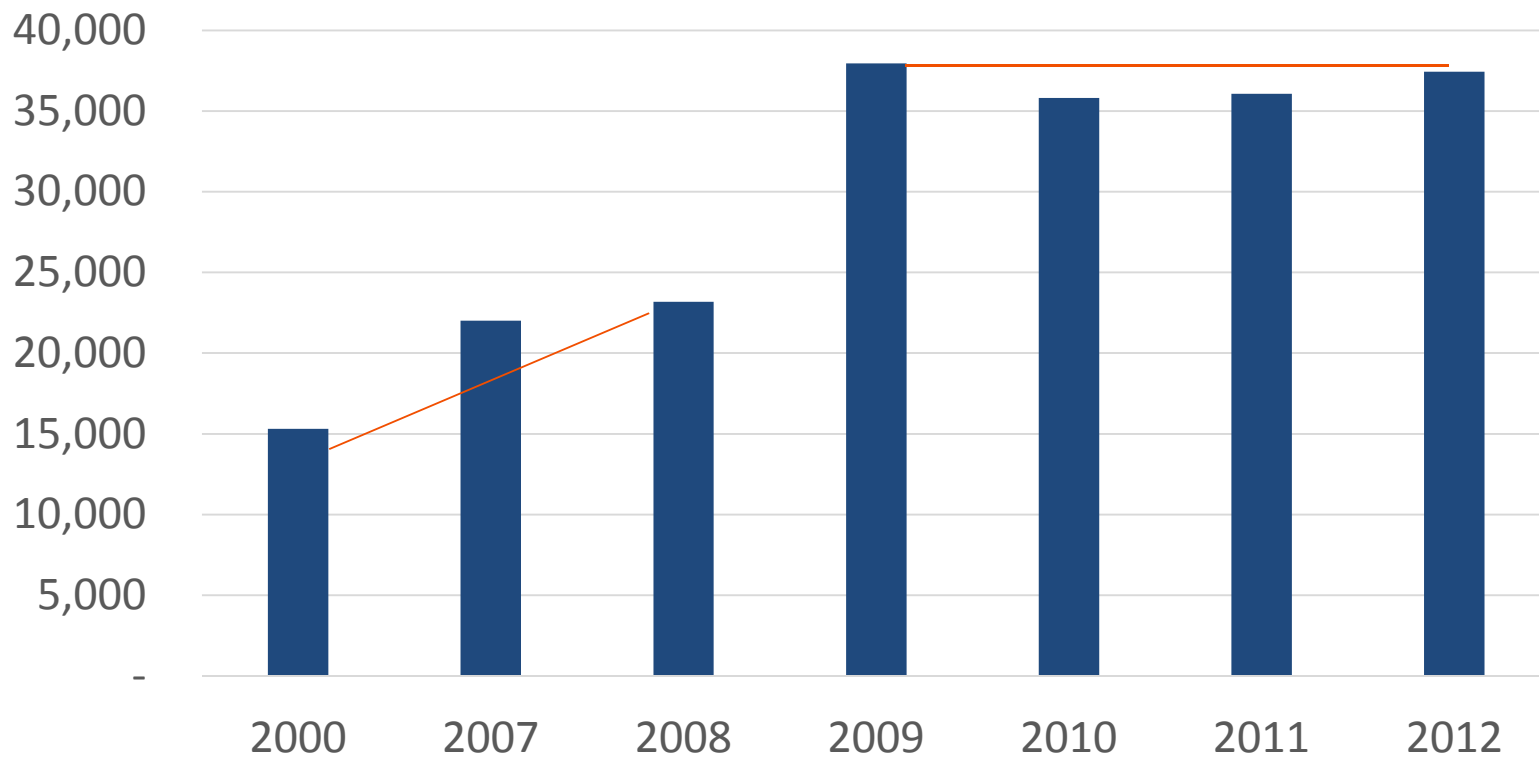


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Population vs. Poverty growth in number of people, 2000 - 2012

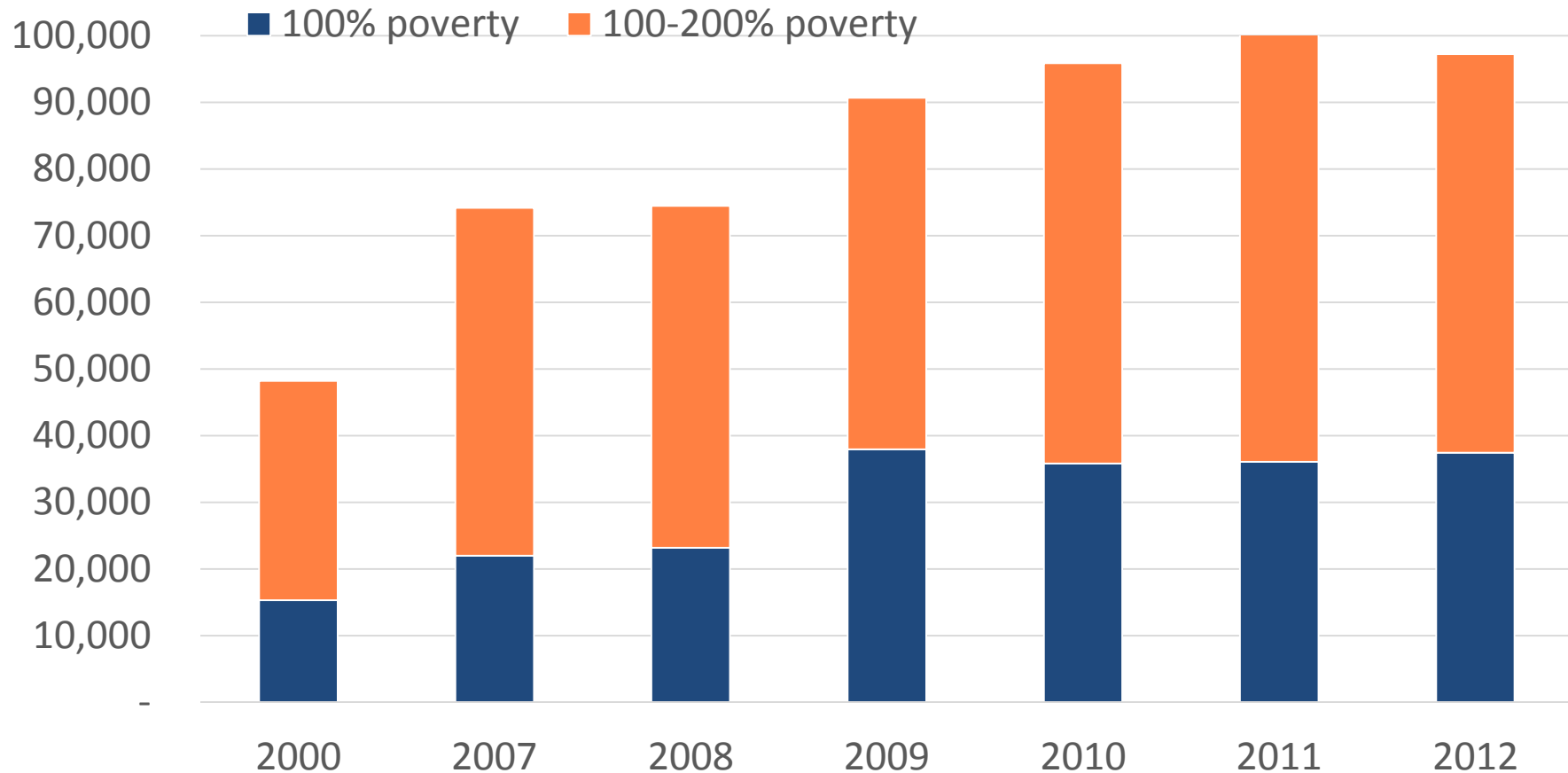


Johnson County residents with income below 100% of the Federal Poverty Level



Poverty Rate	2000	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
	3.4%	4.2%	4.4%	7.1%	6.6%	6.6%	6.8%

Johnson County residents with income below 100% and 200% Federal Poverty Level



Income threshold for family of 3 in 2014 at **100% FPL** <\$19,790; **200% FPL** <\$39,580

2013 - 2014 Free and Reduced Lunch Participation Percentage Johnson County, KS Public Elementary Schools

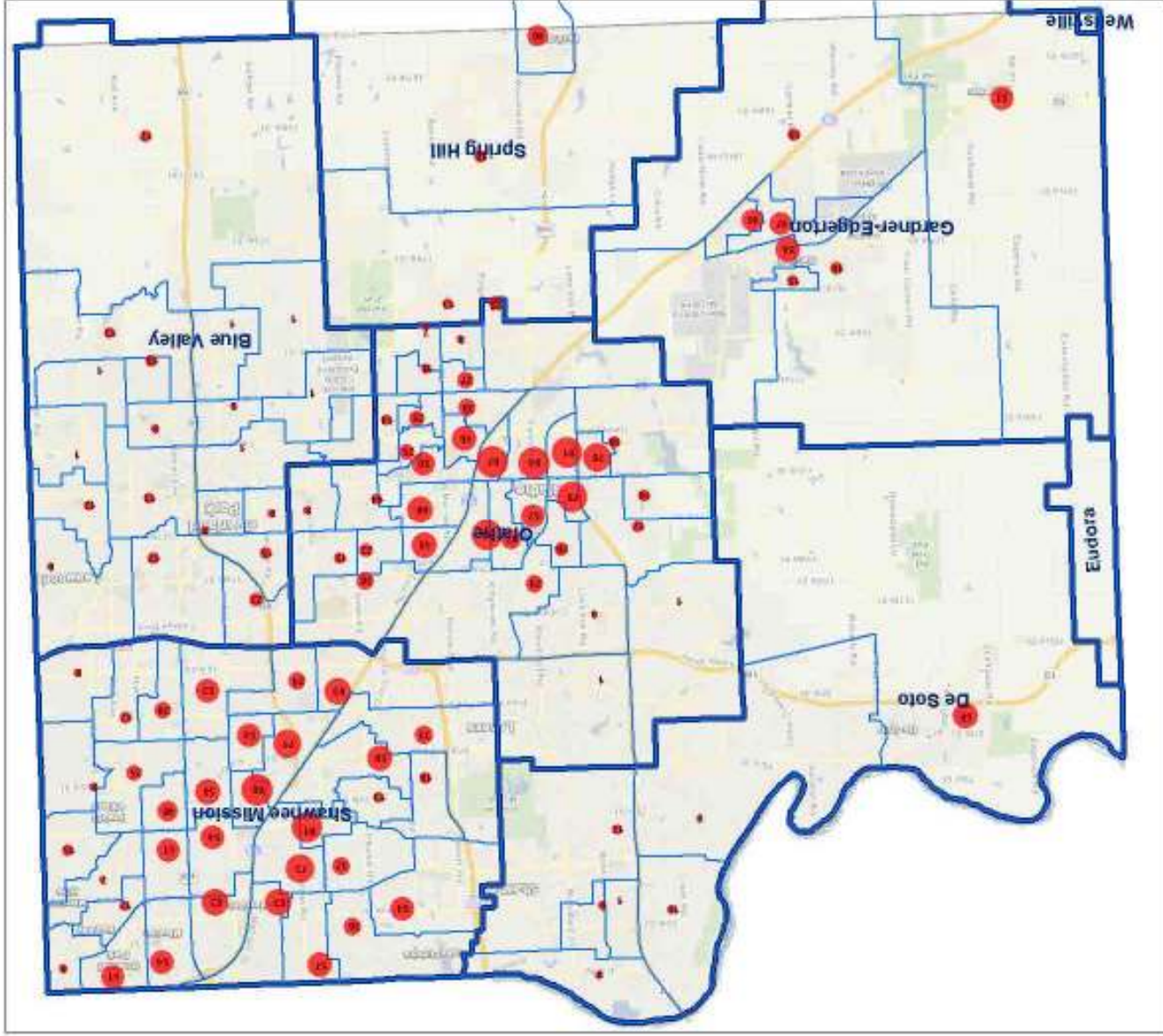
Children from families with incomes at or below 130% of the poverty level are eligible for free meals. Those with incomes between 130% and 185% of the poverty level are eligible for reduced-price meals.

2014 Poverty Guidelines for Family of Four

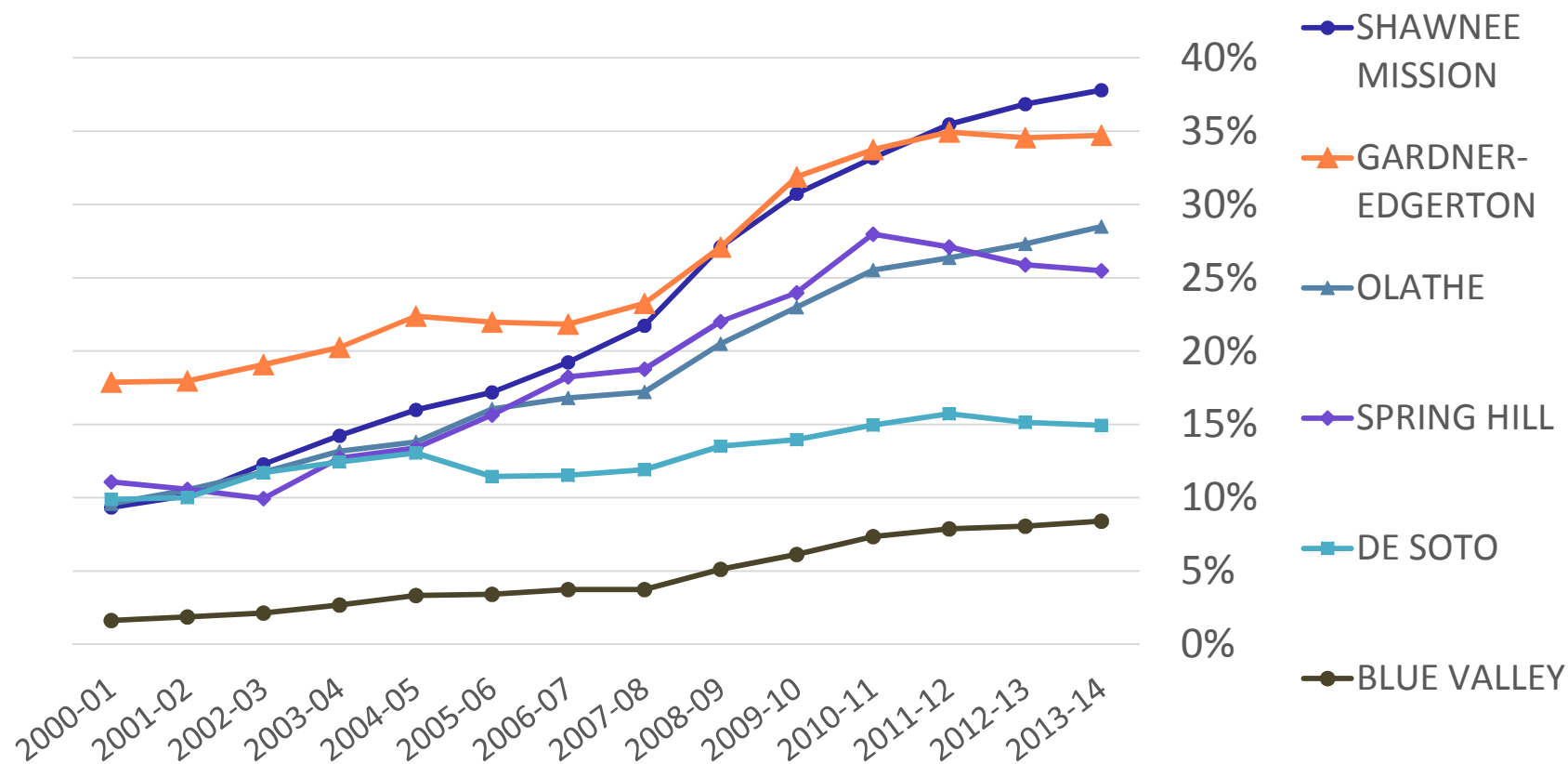
100% = \$23,850
135% = \$32,198
185% = \$44,123




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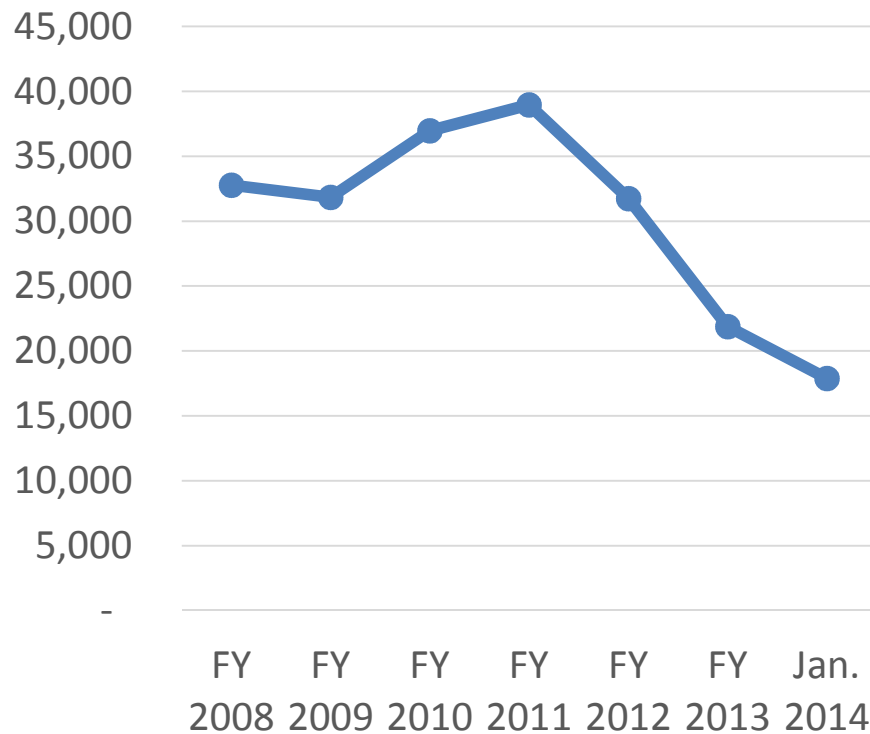
Free and Reduced Lunch Program Participation Rates By School District



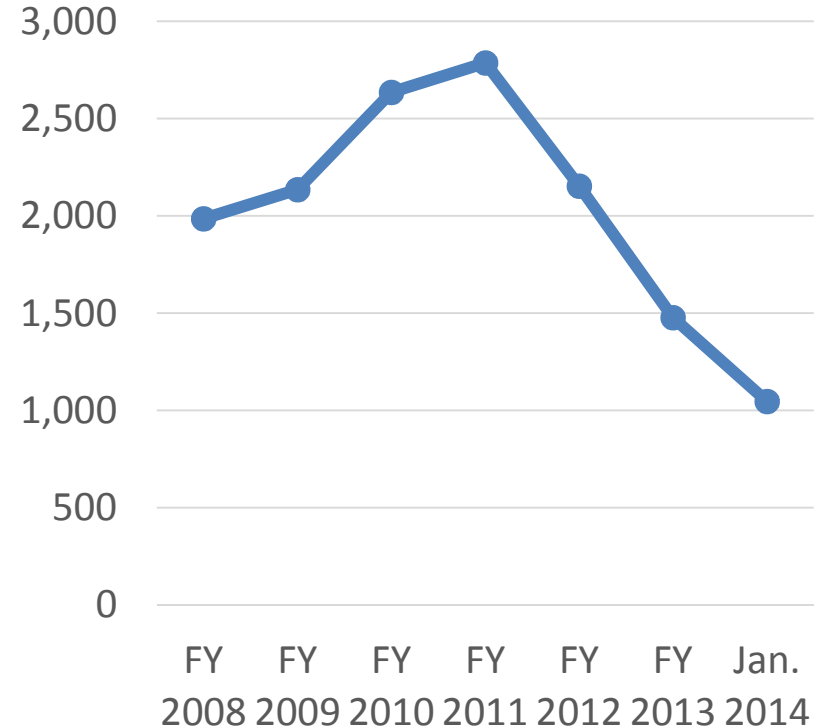
Eligibility = 185% of poverty. \$36,610 family of 3.

Average monthly persons served by TANF cash assistance begins to decline in January 2012

State of Kansas



Johnson County

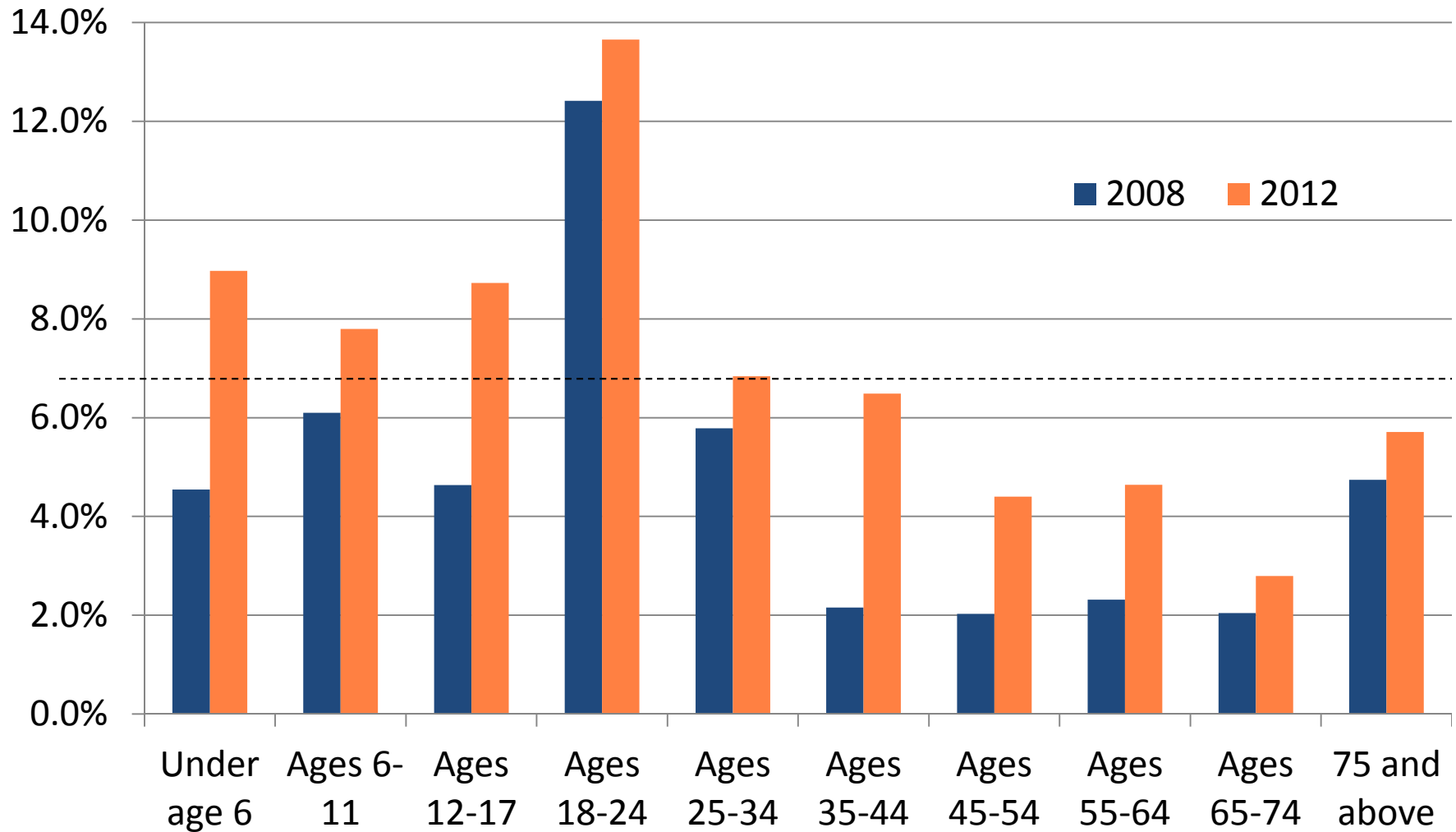


National data trends

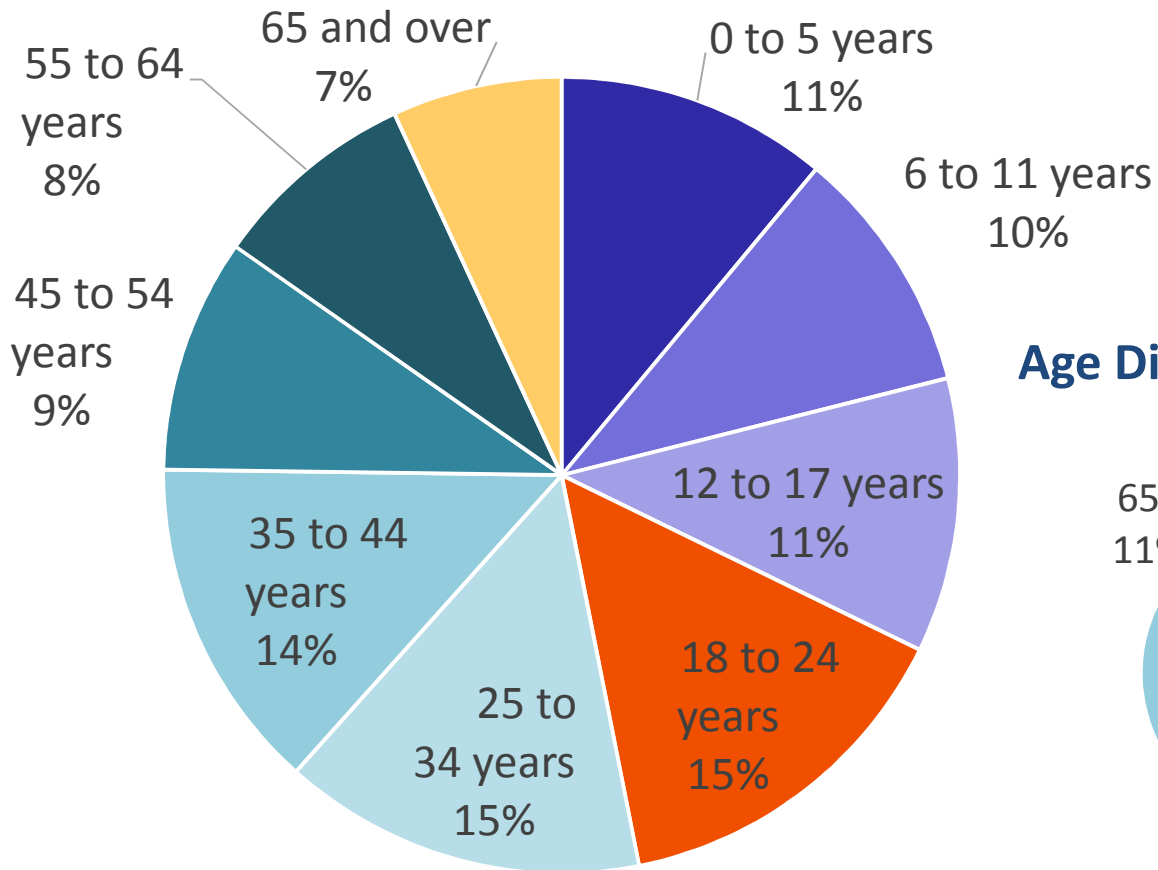
- Significant numbers of people move into poverty throughout their lives.
- People cycle in and out of poverty over the course of their lives.
- Most people who become poor do not spend a long time in poverty.
- The likelihood of becoming poor is higher for blacks, Hispanics, those in households headed by women, and those with lower levels of education.
- Job losses or pay cuts most often trigger poverty spells.
- Job gains and pay raises most often lift a household out of poverty.

Source: The Urban Institute

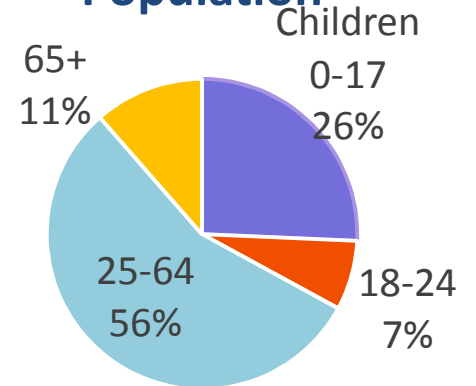
Johnson County Poverty Rates by Age



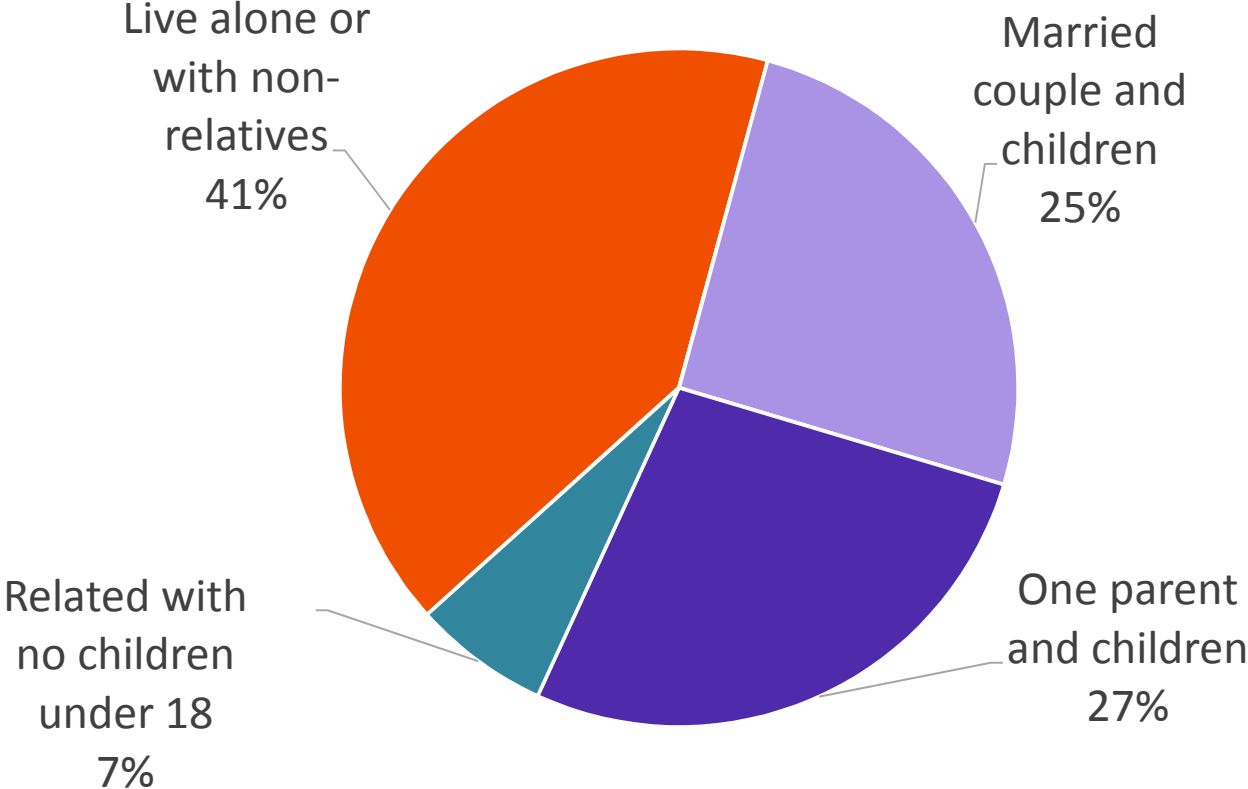
Share of poverty by age group 37,500 people



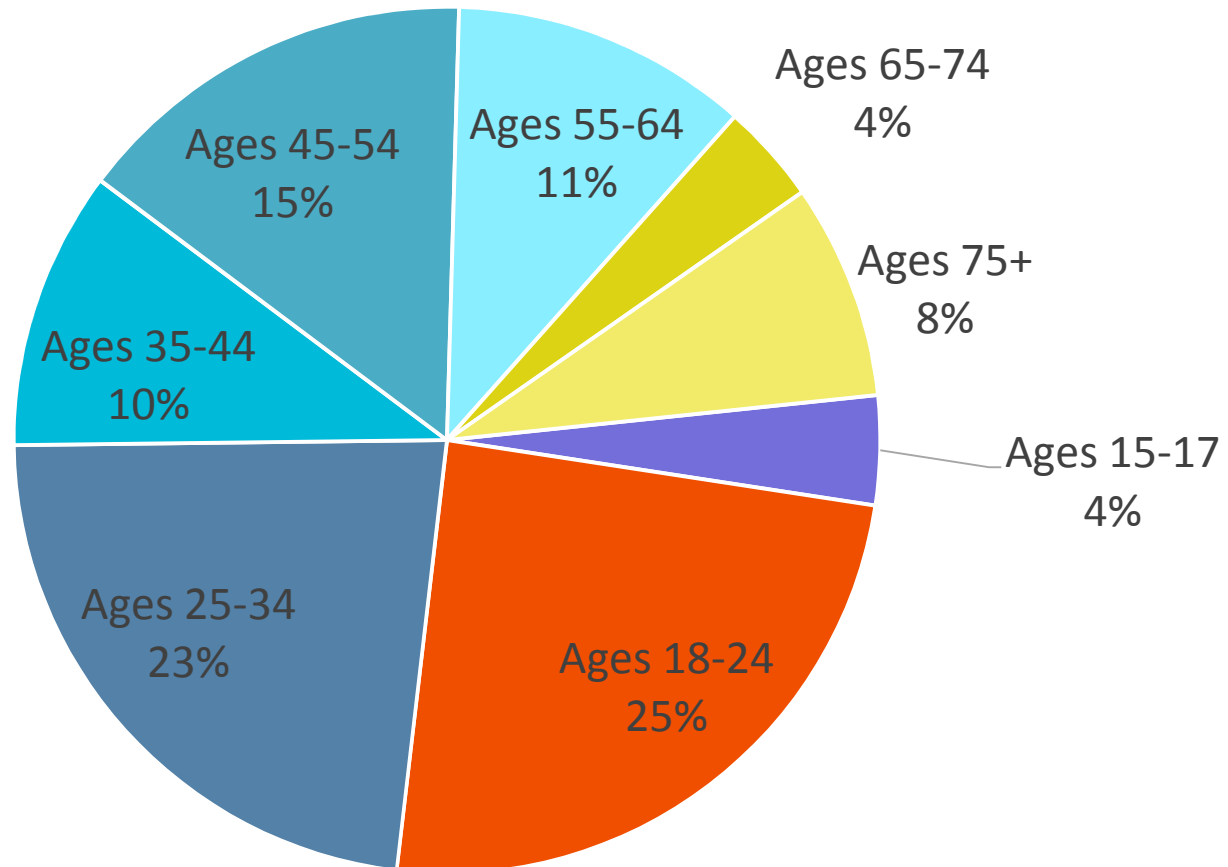
Age Distribution for Total Population



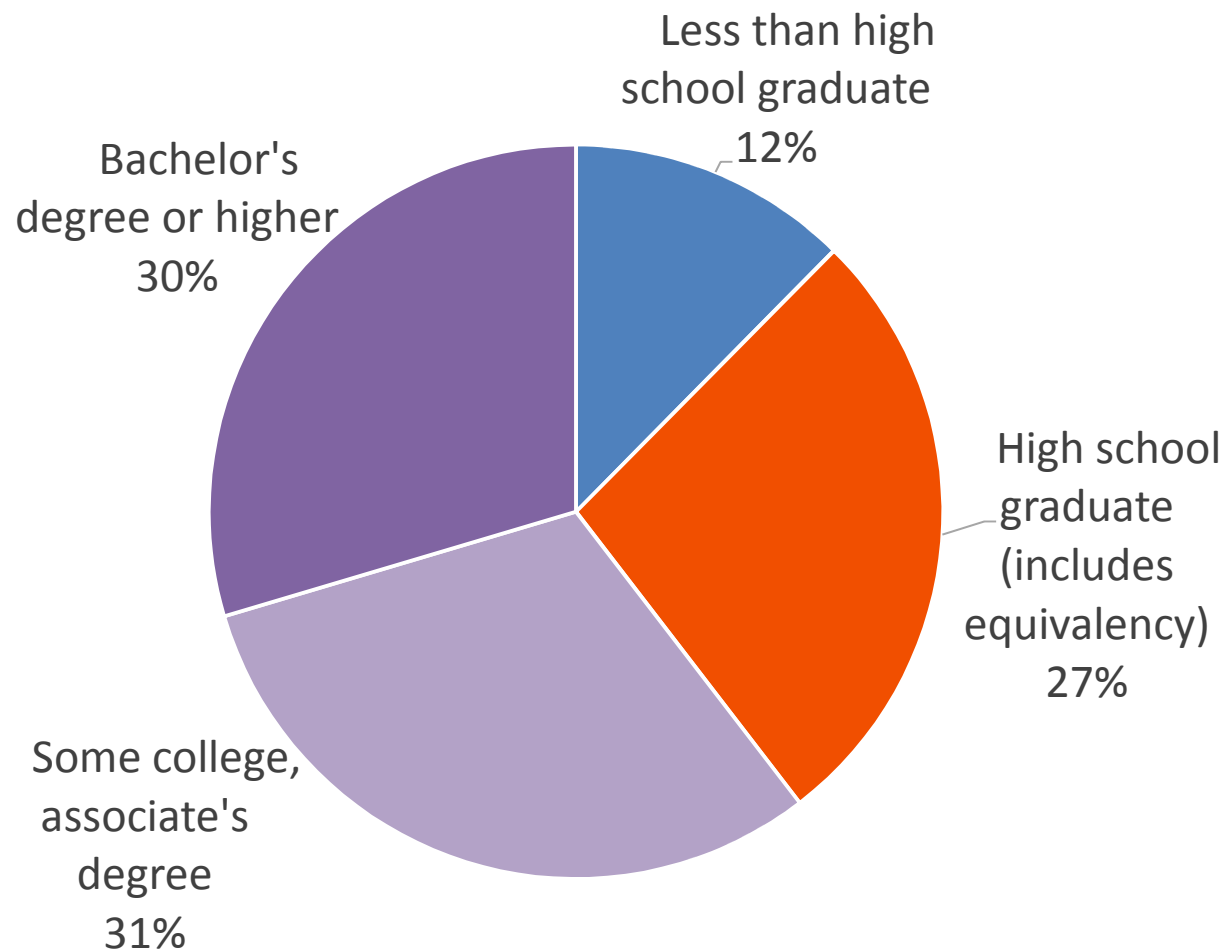
Living Arrangement for people with income below the federal poverty level



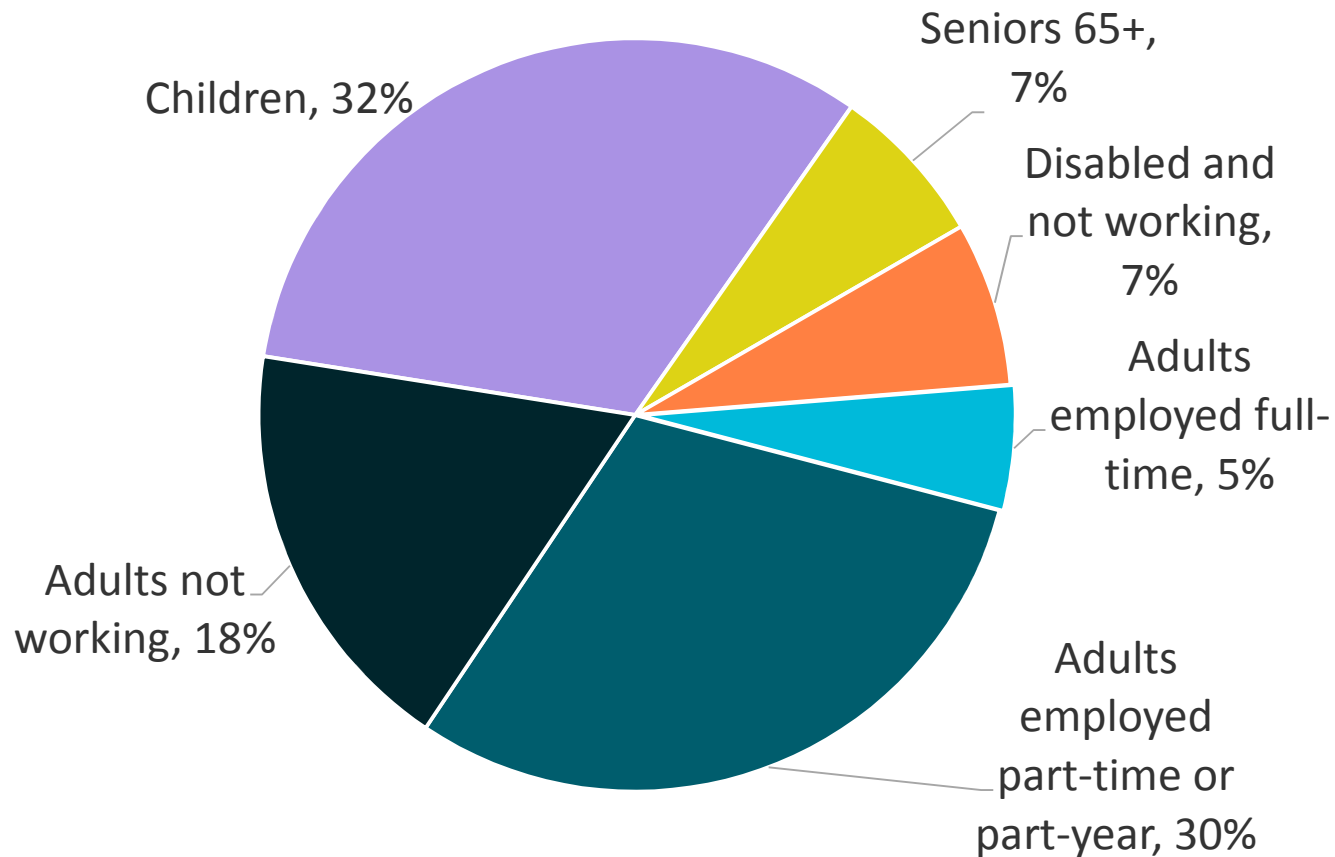
Share of Unrelated Individuals in Poverty by Age, 14,200 People



Share of poor adults age 25 and older by education level



Share of poverty by ability to work/work status



What will it take to reduce poverty

- Maintain robust safety net
- Promote work and make it pay
- Raise educational attainment