

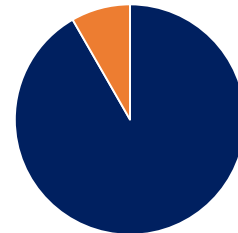


Status of Johnson County Children

Johnson County is home to 143,100 children, and nearly 1 in 3 children are under the age of 6 years, according to 2016 data from the U.S. Census Bureau. Census data and the [2017 Kansas KIDS COUNT report](#) indicate the status of Johnson County's children:

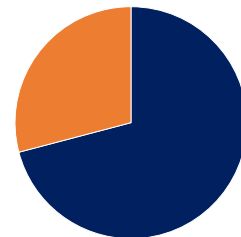
- 27,400 children in Johnson County live in poverty or in low-income households (8,200 and 19,200 children, respectively), according to 2016 Census data. These children are more likely to have worse health, education, and social outcomes than their more affluent peers.
- 90% of pregnant women receive prenatal care. On a related note, the infant mortality rate is only 3.54 per 1,000 live births, a lower rate than in peer counties and Kansas.
- 72% of births in Johnson County occur to women in the labor force. 74% of children live in a household where both parents are in the labor force.
- Evidence-based early education programs for low-income children like Early Head Start, Head Start, and school-based pre-kindergarten do not have enough available slots to meet the needs of all Johnson County children.
- 97% of children in Johnson County have health insurance coverage, according to 2016 Census data.
- 87% of 3rd through 8th graders read proficiently at grade level.
- The rate of violent deaths among teens (suicide, homicide, and motor vehicle accidents) are on the decline and is significantly lower than peer counties.
- 24% (nearly 1 in 4) children in Johnson County public schools participate in the free and reduced lunch program.

Early Head Start Slots Available
(Children Age 0-3 below 100% of Poverty)



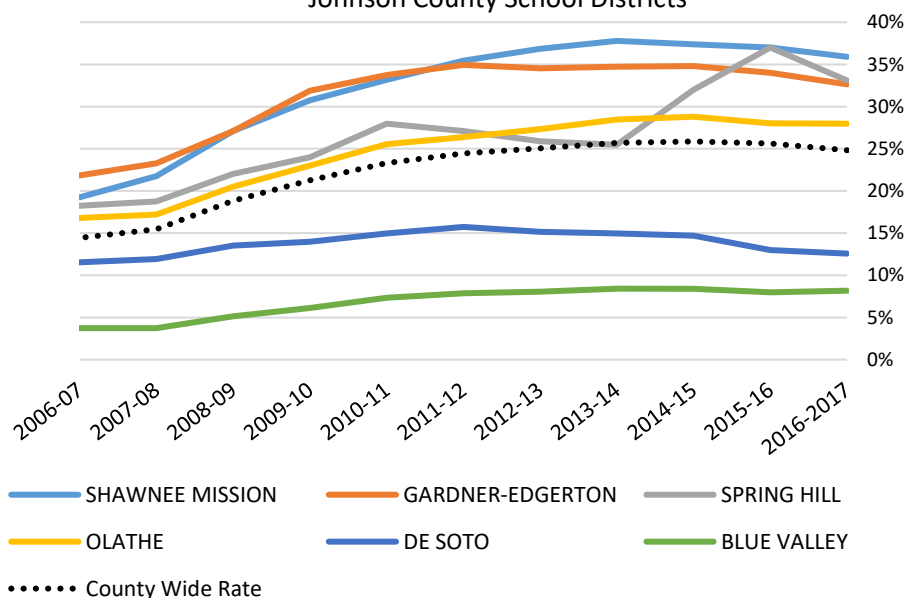
Available Slots = 8 per 100 eligible children

Head Start Slots Available
(Children Ages 3 & 4 below 100% of Poverty)



Available Slots = 29 per 100 eligible children

Free-Reduced Lunch Program Participation Rates
Johnson County School Districts



Sources: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey, 1 year estimates 2016; Kansas KIDS COUNT 2017; KS Dept. for Children and Families EES Monthly Caseload Detail Report SFY 2012-2017

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Kansas KIDS COUNT provides an annual snapshot of how children and families are doing statewide, as well as how they compare on a county-by-county basis. The indicators tracked in this fact sheet reflect the current condition of Kansas children and can be used by state and local leaders to craft policies and interventions that can help every child achieve their full potential.

For more Kansas data, visit kac.org/kidscount. To see how Kansas kids compare on a national level, visit datacenter.kidscount.org.

The KIDS COUNT partner in Johnson County is:

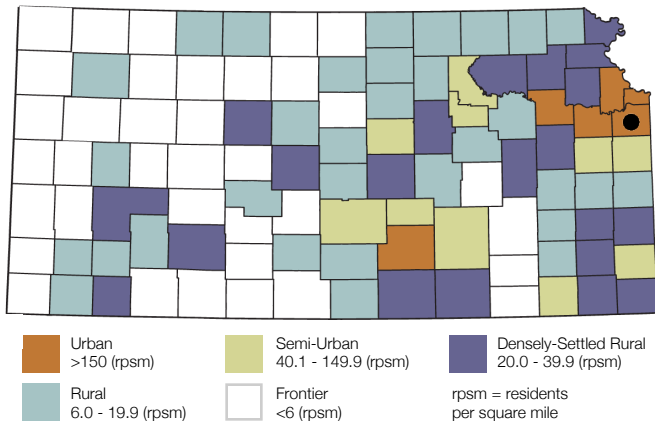
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COUNTY PEER GROUPS

Johnson is defined as Urban



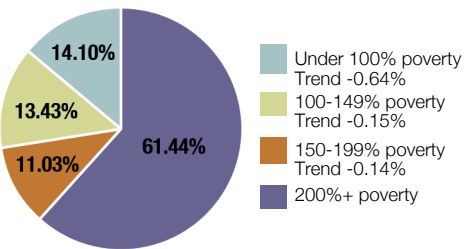
DEMOGRAPHICS

	JOHNSON	PEERS	KANSAS
Median Household Income	\$83,007	\$62,104	\$53,802
Total Population of County (all ages)	584,451	1,638,067	2,907,289
Population of County (under 18)	24.83%	24.98%	24.59%
White	73.30%	61.74%	66.76%
Hispanic	11.33%	18.79%	18.22%
African-American	5.43%	9.17%	6.37%
Two or more races	4.75%	5.70%	5.05%
American Indian or Alaskan Native	0.26%	0.61%	0.76%
Asian, Native Hawaiian & other Pacific Islander	4.92%	3.99%	2.84%

STATE LEVEL DATA

POVERTY

Poverty status of Kansas children under 18.

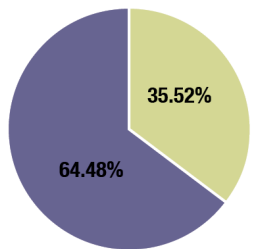


The difference between state-level poverty rates depicted in the pie graph and the county-level rates indicated on the next page is due to the data year. To compare the county's poverty rate with that of its peer counties, use the poverty row in the Economic indicators section on the next page. If only referencing state's poverty rates, use the more recent state-level data available in this pie graph.

Current Rate 2016 | Trend 2012–2016

HOME OWNERSHIP

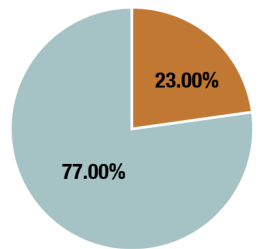
Home ownership among Kansas families with children under 18.



*Current Rate 2016 | Trend -0.28%, 2012–2016

PARENTS' EMPLOYMENT

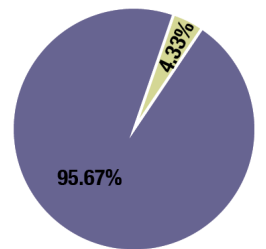
Employment status of Kansas parents with children under 18.



*Current Rate 2015 | Trend -0.30%, 2011–2015

UNINSURED CHILDREN

Health insurance status of Kansas children under 18.



*Current Rate 2016 | Trend -0.57%, 2012–2016

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Current Rate
Rate per 100, unless otherwise noted,
for the most recent year of data available

Trend Rate
Average change per year, unless
otherwise noted, for the most recent five
years of data available

EDUCATION INDICATORS	JOHNSON	PEERS	KANSAS	JOHNSON	PEERS	KANSAS
EARLY HEAD START Number of Early Head Start slots available per 100 children (0-3 years of age) below 100% of poverty. Current data from 2016.	8.31	5.49	8.34	1.23	0.35	0.51
HEAD START Number of Head Start slots available per 100 children (3-4 years of age) below 100% of poverty. Current data from 2016.	29.10	28.60	42.20	2.10	-0.30	0.20
PRE-KINDERGARTEN Percent of elementary schools that offer Pre-Kindergarten or Four-Year-Old At-Risk programs. Current data from 2016-17 school year.	54.21%	54.09%	52.89%	0.12%	0.98%	0.48%
ALL-DAY KINDERGARTEN Percent of elementary schools that offer all-day and every day kindergarten. Current data from 2016-17 school year.	99.07%	95.00%	88.68%	1.28%	0.82%	0.63%
READING PROFICIENCY* Percent of 3rd through 8th graders meeting standards, exceeding standards or scoring exemplary on reading assessments. Current data from 2015-16 school year.	87.34%	77.24%	77.75%	-1.50%	-1.87%	-1.87%
HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION Percent of 9th grade public school students enrolled in the 2012-13 school year who graduated in 2016. Current data from 2015-16 school year.	91.02%	86.31%	87.18%	0.33%	0.67%	0.59%
CHILD CARE SUBSIDIES (Not depicted as rate) Average monthly number of children participating in the Kansas Child Care Assistance program. Current data from 2016.	1,405	7,878	11,214	-187	-968	-1,649

*The trend rate for the Reading Proficiency indicator is based on the most recent two years of data available.

ECONOMIC INDICATORS	JOHNSON	PEERS	KANSAS	JOHNSON	PEERS	KANSAS
POVERTY Percent of children under 18 living below 100% poverty. Current data from 2015.	6.50%	16.08%	16.90%	-0.40%	-0.55%	-0.51%
FREE AND REDUCED LUNCH Percent of public school children participating in the free and reduced price lunch program. Current data from 2016-17 school year.	24.19%	45.06%	48.44%	-0.16%	-0.27%	-0.29%
MATERNAL EDUCATION Percent of live births to mothers without a high school diploma. Current data from 2015.	4.74%	12.14%	12.70%	-0.41%	-0.67%	-0.73%
SNAP BENEFITS (Not depicted as rate) Average monthly enrollment of children in the Kansas Food Assistance Program. Current data from 2016.	8,477	71,002	123,081	-509	-2,020	-3,717
TANF BENEFITS (Not depicted as rate) Average monthly enrollment of children in the Kansas Temporary Assistance for Families Program. Current data from 2016.	495	5,709	9,384	-231	-1,880	-2,876

HEALTH INDICATORS	JOHNSON	PEERS	KANSAS	JOHNSON	PEERS	KANSAS
IMMUNIZATIONS (Not updated from previous year)* Percent of kindergarteners fully immunized of the 4:3:1:3:3 series at 35 months of age. Current data from 2014-15 school year.	75.00%	77.20%	79.00%	2.00%	4.08%	4.00%
PRENATAL CARE Percent of live births to mothers who received adequate or adequate-plus prenatal care. Current data from 2016.	90.49%	85.98%	83.38%	0.63%	0.54%	0.47%
LOW BIRTH WEIGHT BABIES Percent of live births weighing under 5.5 lbs. Current data from 2016.	5.97%	7.15%	6.98%	-0.24%	-0.11%	-0.06%
INFANT MORTALITY Number of deaths, under age 1, per 1,000 live births. Current rate from 2016.	3.54	6.35	5.86	-0.13	0.03	-0.14
TEEN VIOLENT DEATHS Number per 100,000 of 15 to 19-year-olds who died due to suicide, homicide or motor vehicle accident. Current data from 2015.	13.20	29.10	29.90	-2.37	0.00	-0.97
UNINSURED CHILDREN Percent of children under 18 with no health insurance coverage. Current data from 2015.	3.20%	4.60%	5.10%	-0.40%	-0.40%	-0.50%
MENTAL HEALTH Number per 1,000 children under 18 hospitalized for mental health. Current data from 2016.	7.90	6.33	5.08	1.62	0.80	0.57
MEDICAID ENROLLMENT (Not depicted as rate) Average monthly enrollment of children under 19 in Medicaid. Current data from 2016.	25,083	141,633	255,529	1,035	4,742	8,355
CHIP ENROLLMENT (Not depicted as rate) Average monthly enrollment of children under 19 in the Children's Health Insurance Program. Current data from 2016.	5,210	21,457	41,252	-3	-440	-1,488

*The trend rate for the Immunizations indicator is based on the most recent three years of data available.