



2015 Data - Poverty in Johnson County, KS



In 2015, one in 19 people, or 30,400 county residents, lived below the federal poverty line according to data recently released by the U.S. Census Bureau (example: 2016 Federal Poverty Guidelines for a family of three is \$20,090). In Johnson County, the poverty rate was 5.3%, a decrease from the 6.5% rate in 2014. However, the 2015 rate is still over the 4.2% rate in 2007, before the Great Recession began.

Johnson County Poverty Rate by Age Group					
	2000	2007 Pre-recession	2010 Post-recession	2014	2015
Children 0-17	3.6%	5.5%	8.3%	8.3%	6.6%
Young Adults 18-24	9.8%	8.9%	11.7%	10.7%	8.7%
Working Age 25-64	2.5%	3.1%	5.4%	5.3%	4.5%
Seniors 65+	3.6%	3.1%	5.7%	5.6%	4.0%
All Ages	3.4%	4.2%	6.6%	6.5%	5.3%

The Johnson County trend mirrors state and national trends; all of which showed a statistical decrease in the poverty rate. The U.S. poverty rate in 2015 was 14.7 % and Kansas 13.0%.

Number of People by Age Group with Income Below Federal Poverty Level



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2000 Census; American Community Survey 1-year estimates. Some calculations by UCS. The American Community Survey is an annual data product based on a sample of the population and therefore most useful when considered as a portrait of characteristics of a geographic area. Numbers have been rounded. The margin of error for Johnson County poverty data is plus or minus 3,630.

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