



**Racial and Ethnic Diversity
Johnson County, Kansas**

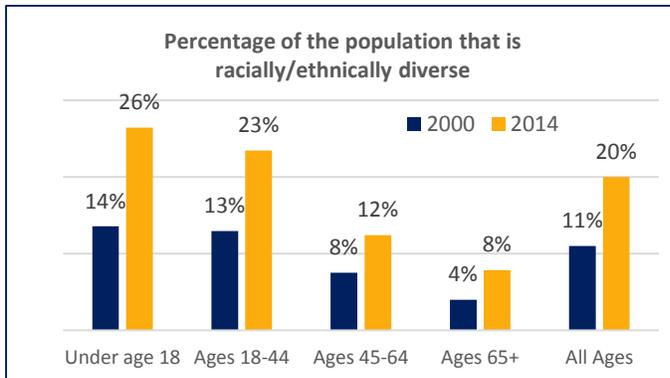
Johnson County is becoming increasingly racially and ethnically diverse, as defined by population groups that are other than non-Hispanic white. In 1990, less than 6% of the population was racially or ethnically diverse; the latest Census data finds nearly 20% of the population is diverse. This change in composition of the population mirrors the national trend, although nationally diversity is higher at 37%.

Racially and ethnically diverse populations have more than doubled.

	2000	2014	Increase
White, non-Hispanic	401,400	463,200	15%
Hispanic	18,000	42,500	136%
Black	11,800	26,400	124%
Asian	12,800	25,800	102%
2 or more races	6,900	19,300	180%
County Population	451,000	574,300	27%

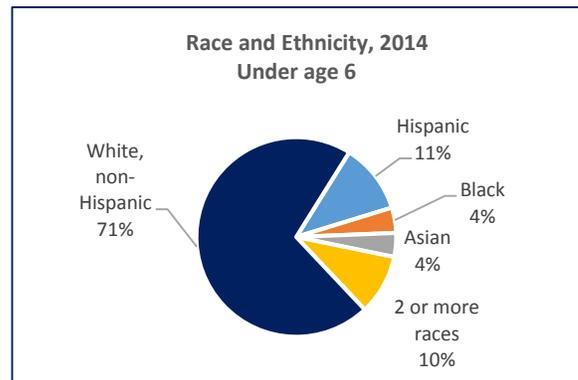
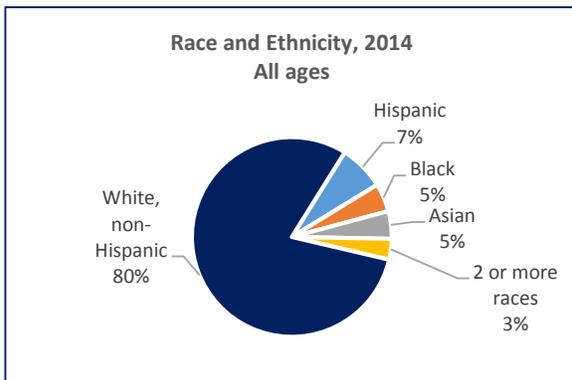
Between 2000 and 2014, total county population increased by 27%. The white, non-Hispanic population accounted for slightly less than half of the increase, while diverse populations contributed to more than half of the county's population growth. The number of Hispanic, Black, Asian and persons reporting two or more races all more than doubled.

Diversity varies dramatically by age.



For the population as a whole, 20% is racially and ethnically diverse, up from 11% in 2000. But diversity ratios differ by age. The youngest residents are the most diverse; the oldest residents the least diverse. For those under age 18, 26% are diverse. Diversity is 23% for ages 18-44. Diversity drops to 12% for ages 45-64 and 8% for person age 65 and older.

Diversity is greatest among those under age 6; diversity is nearly 30% for that age group.



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.

