



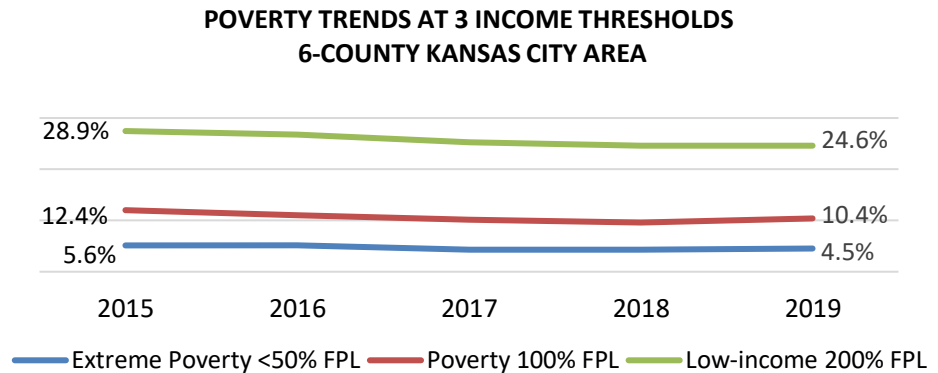
**Greater Kansas City Community Profile
2019 U.S. Census Data**

**2019 Federal Poverty Guidelines
Adjusted annually by family size**

- 1 person: \$12,490 per year
- 2 persons: \$16,910 per year
- 3 persons: \$21,330 per year
- 4 persons: \$25,750 per year

Add \$4,420 for each additional person

Recently released data collected in 2019 for the U.S. Census' American Community Survey showed a slight increase in overall levels of poverty between 2018 and 2019 in the Kansas City region. Many residents across communities in the region saw improved economic conditions. However, nearly 200,000 residents had incomes below 100% of the federal poverty level. More than 1 in 4 residents (469,921 people) were low-income, or 200% of the federal poverty level in 2019.



While poverty levels have trended lower across the Kansas City region as a whole over the past five years, some counties saw slight increases in poverty levels in 2019 compared to 2018.

- Wyandotte County, Kansas saw an almost 20% increase in the number of people living at or below the poverty level between 2018 and 2019—from 28,860 to 34,423. The number of children 0-17 in Wyandotte County living in poverty increased from 11,733 to 15,117.
- In Jackson County, Missouri, the poverty rate increased slightly from 12.9% in 2018 to 13.5% in 2019. However, the poverty levels decreased in Jackson County over the past five years. Between 2015 and 2019, the number of people living in poverty level fell 22.4%, or from 120,310 to 93,256.
- Poverty levels in Johnson County, Kansas have remained virtually unchanged at a little more than 5% since 2015.
- The U.S. poverty rate in 2019 was 12.3%. In Missouri the 2019 poverty rate was 12.9%, and in Kansas it was 11.4%. The combined 6 counties had a poverty rate of 10.4%, lower than either state's level.

| | Extreme Poverty: <50% | | Poverty: 100% FPL | | Low-Income: 200% FPL | |
|------------------|-----------------------|-------------|-------------------|--------------|----------------------|--------------|
| | # of Persons | Rate | # of Persons | Rate | # of Persons | Rate |
| Johnson | 9,025 | 1.5% | 31,774 | 5.4% | 80,782 | 13.6% |
| Wyandotte | 12,029 | 7.3% | 34,423 | 21% | 71,547 | 43.7% |
| Cass | 3,687 | 3.5% | 8,369 | 8% | 25,503 | 24.4% |
| Clay | 11,964 | 4.8% | 25,932 | 10.5% | 61,280 | 24.7% |
| Jackson | 45,217 | 6.5% | 93,256 | 13.5% | 212,247 | 30.7% |
| Platte | 3,222 | 3.1% | 4,605 | 4.5% | 18,562 | 18% |
| Total | 85,324 | 4.5% | 198,359 | 10.4% | 469,921 | 24.6% |

Young Children and Young Adults in the Kansas City Area Face the Highest Risk of Poverty.

Poverty levels across all age groups in the Kansas City region saw some increase. The percentage of children under the age of 6 living in poverty increased from 14.1% in 2018 to 17.4% in 2019. Senior adults—those above 65 years of age—have the lowest poverty rate in the region, though that age group saw an increase in poverty rate from 6% to 7.1% between 2018 and 2019.

| Poverty by Age Group | # of Persons in Poverty: 100% FPL | Poverty Rate | # of Low-Income Persons: 200% FPL | Low-Income Rate |
|--------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------|
| Young Children 0-5 | 25,769 | 17.4% | 55,952 | 37.8% |
| Children and Youth 6-17 | 50,402 | 14.7% | 108,964 | 31.7% |
| Young Adults 18-24 | 23,220 | 15.2% | 47,400 | 31% |
| Working-Age Adults 25-64 | 83,521 | 8.2% | 206,226 | 20.3% |
| Seniors 65+ | 19,985 | 7.1% | 60,345 | 21.5% |
| All Ages | 198,359 | 10.4% | 469,921 | 24.6% |

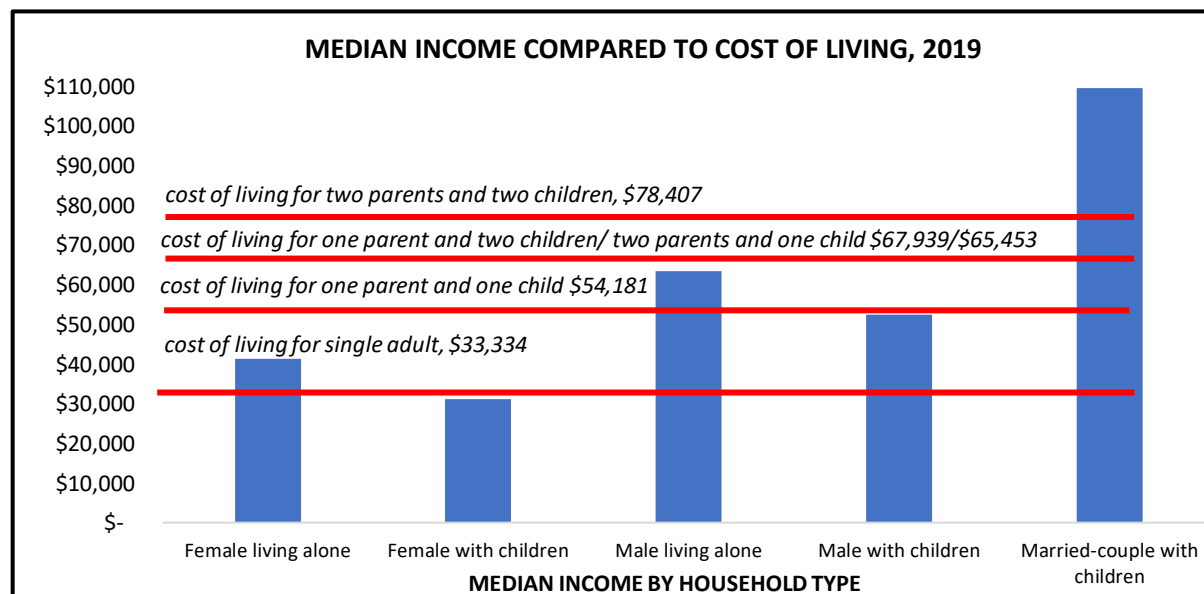
Race/Ethnicity and Sex Matter

In 2019 poverty rates among Hispanic (17.9%) and African American (20.6%) residents in the Kansas City Metropolitan area were 3 or more times greater than poverty rates among white non-Hispanic residents in the community (7.3%). Household income levels across all demographic groups have increased over the past five years, but income for Hispanic (\$52,148) and African American (\$42,064) households lags significantly behind white non-Hispanic households (\$78,027). Lagging even further behind are female headed households (\$41,258). More than 1 in 4 (25.4%) female headed households are living at or below the federal poverty level. For female headed households with children, that number jumps to more than 1 in 3 (34.3%)

| Median Household Income and Poverty Rates by Race/Ethnicity 2019 | | |
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| | Median Household Income | Poverty Rate: 100% FPL |
| African American | \$42,064 | 20.6% |
| Hispanic | \$52,148 | 17.9% |
| White non-Hispanic | \$78,027 | 7.3% |
| Female Head of Household | \$41,258 | 25.4% |
| 6 County Total | \$70,215 | 10.4% |

Income and Cost of Living

Median household income in 2019 was \$70,215 for the Kansas City region, an increase of nearly \$10,000 since 2015. The Economic Policy Institute (EPI) publishes a geography-specific Family Budget Calculator, which estimates the income a household needs to maintain a modest yet adequate standard of living for the KC metro area. According to the most recent data, a household with one parent and two children needs to earn the equivalent of at least \$32.66 per hour (full-time, year-round) to afford necessities. Even for single adult households, income must be at least \$16 per hour to regularly sustain a household in the Kansas City Metro. The current minimum wage in both Kansas (\$7.25) and Missouri (\$9.45)



falls short of the wages needed to cover the cost of living in the region, and also falls below the federal poverty level for a family of three (\$20,780, or \$9.99 per hour full time, year-round).

In Missouri Proposition B: \$12 Minimum Wage Initiative went into effect in January 1 2019, raising the minimum wage \$0.85 each year until the rate reaches \$12 in 2023. 2020 minimum wage is \$9.45.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau: American Community Survey 2019, 1-year estimates; Race & Education Source: Kansas City Metro MO-KS MSA 2019; EPI Family Budget Calculator, 2018; Note: Race/Ethnicity categories reflect U.S. Census terminology.