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Limitations of the Data

Some data in the *Kansas Statistical Abstract* are subject to sampling variability; see source for complete methodology and sampling information.

Data from the American Community Survey are associated with a 90% margin of error. We recommend calculating the coefficient of variation to determine the relative amount of sampling error for an estimate and using the following guidelines:

Coefficient of Variation (CV)	Reliability
Less than 12%	Reasonably reliable
12–40%	Use with caution
Greater than 40%	Do not use

Calculating the Coefficient of Variation (CV):

 $CV = ((MOE_{ACS} / 1.645) / EST_{ACS}) * 100$

where MOE_{ACS} is the 90% margin of error and EST_{ACS} is the data estimate.

Also see the Census Bureau's Handbook for Rural Data Users for additional guidance: <u>https://www.census.gov/programs-surveys/acs/library/handbooks/rural.html</u>.