

Kansas Data Summary by Urban and Rural Area

Category	Rural	Urban	Total
Population			
1980	1,001,534	1,362,702	2,364,236
1990	961,591	1,515,997	2,477,588
2000	979,103	1,709,822	2,688,925
2010	908,360	1,944,760	2,853,120
2020	872,598	2,065,237	2,937,835
2023	859,138	2,081,408	2,940,546
Percent change, 1980-2020	-12.9	51.6	24.3
Percent change, 2020-2023	-1.5	0.8	0.1
Income			
Per capita income (2021 dollars)			
2020	\$48,575	\$59,346	\$55,974
2021	\$51,545	\$62,267	\$58,924
Percent change	6.1	4.9	5.3
Earnings per job (2021 dollars)			
2020	\$50,493	\$64,345	\$59,976
2021	\$52,123	\$65,987	\$61,639
Percent change	3.2	2.6	2.8
Per capita personal current transfer receipts (2022 dollars)			
2021	\$14,610	\$12,155	\$12,896
2022	\$12,284	\$9,857	\$10,587
Percent change	-15.9	-18.9	-17.9
Poverty rate (percent)			
1979	11.6	9.1	10.1
1989	13.4	10.3	11.5
1999	11.6	8.9	9.9
2021	13.0	11.1	11.6
Education (persons 25 and older)			
Percent not completing high school			
1990	23.0	16.1	18.7
2000	17.4	12.1	14.0
2018-2022	10.2	7.4	8.2
Percent completing college			
1990	14.6	25.1	21.1
2000	17.8	30.2	25.8
2018-2022	23.4	39.5	34.7
Employment			
Employment change (percent)			
2019-2020	-1.8	-3.2	-2.7
2020-2021	1.3	3.1	2.5
2021-2022	-0.4	1.5	0.9
Unemployment rate (percent)			
2021	2.8	3.5	3.3
2022	2.5	2.7	2.7

Source: U.S. Department of Agriculture, State Fact Sheets: Kansas, <https://www.ers.usda.gov/data-products/state-fact-sheets.aspx> (accessed August 19, 2024); U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis, <https://www.bea.gov/itable/> (accessed August 19, 2024).

Urban and Rural definitions vary. The population section uses standards outlined by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) in July 2023. The remaining sections are based on metro and nonmetro areas as defined by the OMB in February 2013.