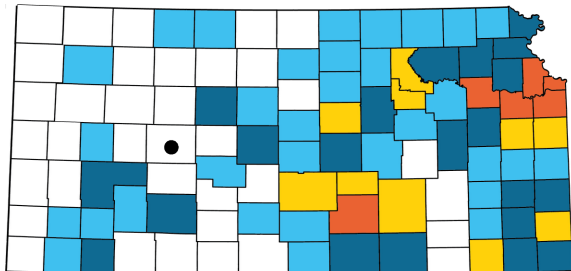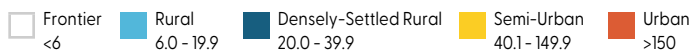# 2020 KIDS COUNT NESS COUNTY

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Kansas Action for Children

COUNTY PEER GROUPS

Ness is defined as Frontier

Residents per square mile:
- Frontier <6
- Rural 6.0 - 19.9
- Densely-Settled Rural 20.0 - 39.9
- Semi-Urban 40.1 - 149.9
- Urban >150

DEMOGRAPHICS

	NESS	PEERS	KANSAS
Median Household Income	$51,757	$49,237	$58,150
Total Population of County (all ages)	2,750	105,879	2,913,314
Population of County (under 18)	20.69%	22.90%	24.04%
White	73.38%	77.61%	66.31%
Hispanic/Latinx	23.08%	16.58%	18.66%
Black	1.31%	0.95%	6.24%
Two or more races	1.49%	3.40%	5.13%
Native American	0.64%	0.88%	0.73%
Asian, Native Hawaiian & other Pacific Islander	0.11%	0.59%	2.92%

STATE LEVEL DATA

POVERTY
Poverty status of Kansas children under 18.

- 14.7% Under 100% poverty
- 10.9% 100-149% poverty
- 10.4% 150-199% poverty
- 64.0% 200%+ poverty
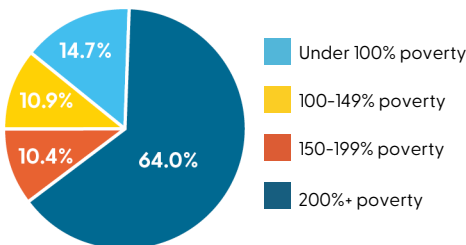
The difference between state-level poverty rates depicted in the pie graph and the county-level rates indicated below is due to the data year. To compare the county's poverty rate with that of its peer counties, use the poverty row in the Economic indicators section below. If only referencing state's poverty rates, use the more recent state-level data available in this pie graph.

Current data from 2019

BREASTFEEDING
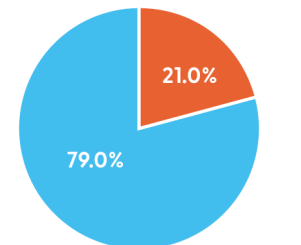Rate for infants born in 2017.
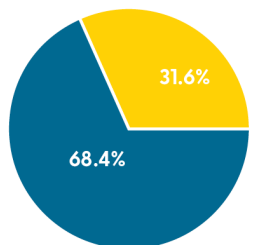
- 31.6% / 68.4%
- Percent of infants still exclusively breastfeeding at 6 months.
- Percent of infants no longer exclusively breastfeeding at 6 months.

Current data from 2020

PARENTS' EMPLOYMENT
Employment status of Kansas parents with children under 18.
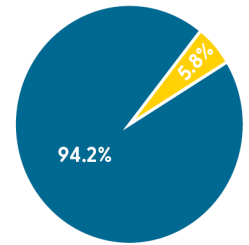

- 21.0% / 79.0%
- Percent of children with no parent working 35+ hours a week for 50 weeks
- Percent of children with at least one parent working 35+ hours a week for 50 weeks

Current data from 2018

UNINSURED CHILDREN
Health insurance status of Kansas children under 19.

- 5.8% / 94.2%
- Percent of children without insurance
- Percent of insured children

Current data from 2019

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CURRENT RATE — Rate per 100, unless otherwise noted, for the most recent year data is available

TREND RATE — Rate per 100, unless otherwise noted, for the most recent year data is available

ECONOMIC INDICATORS	NESS	PEERS	KANSAS	NESS	PEERS	KANSAS
POVERTY Percent of children under 18 years of age living below 100% poverty. Current data from 2018.	13.80%	14.98%	14.80%	0.10%	-0.59%	-0.79%
FREE AND REDUCED-PRICE LUNCH Percent of public school children participating in the free and reduced price lunch program. Current data from 2019-20 school year.	50.24%	50.95%	47.05%	-0.61%	-0.09%	-0.57%
MATERNAL EDUCATION Percent of live births to mothers without a high school diploma. Current data from 2018.	11.43%	10.59%	11.67%	-1.80%	-0.82%	-0.39%
SNAP BENEFITS *(Not depicted as a rate.)* Average monthly children participating in the Kansas Food Assistance Program. Current data from Fiscal Year 2020.	49	2,695	95,192	-10	-125	-6,320
TANF BENEFITS *(Not depicted as a rate.)* Average monthly children participating in the Kansas Temporary Assistance For Families Program. Current data from Fiscal Year 2020.	6	157	7,221	0	-14	-533
FOOD INSECURITY Percent of children under age 18 living in food insecured households. Current data from 2018.	16.30%	18.77%	18.40%	-1.25%	-0.61%	-0.67%

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	CURRENT RATE Rate per 100, unless otherwise noted, for the most recent year data is available			TREND RATE Rate per 100, unless otherwise noted, for the most recent year data is available		
EDUCATION INDICATORS	NESS	PEERS	KANSAS	NESS	PEERS	KANSAS
EARLY HEAD START Number of Early Head Start slots available per 100 children (0-3 years of age) below 100% of poverty. Current data from Fiscal Year 2019.	0.00	8.94	9.86	0.00	0.44	0.42
HEAD START Number of Head Start slots available per 100 children (3-4 years of age) below 100% of poverty. Current data from Fiscal Year 2019.	0.00	38.69	42.77	0.00	-0.67	-0.85
PRE-KINDERGARTEN Percent of elementary schools that offer Pre-Kindergarten or 4-Year-Old At-Risk programs. Current data from 2019-20 school year.	100.00%	84.13%	63.38%	20.00%	3.54%	3.76%
ALL-DAY KINDERGARTEN Percent of elementary schools that offer all-day and every day kindergarten. Current data from 2019-20 school year.	100.00%	96.83%	93.93%	0.00%	2.49%	1.64%
READING PROFICIENCY Percent of 3rd through 8th graders meeting standards, exceeding standards or scoring exemplary on reading assessments. Current data from 2018-19 school year.	55.97%	72.69%	71.36%	-3.23%	-2.26%	-2.28%
HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION Percent of public school students enrolled in the 2015-16 school year who graduated in 2019. Current data from 2018-19 school year.	100.00%	88.25%	87.26%	0.76%	0.93%	0.02%
CHILD CARE ASSISTANCE *(Not depicted as a rate.)* Average monthly children participating in the Kansas Child Care Assistance Program. Current data from Fiscal Year 2020.	0	141	9,429	0	-5	-450
CHILD CARE CENTER* *(Not depicted as a rate.)* Number of child care centers. Current data from Fiscal Year 2020.	0	9	630	0	0	9
FAMILY CHILD CARE* *(Not depicted as a rate.)* Number of Licensed Day Care Homes and Group Day Care Homes. Current data from Fiscal Year 2020.	8	220	3,540	1	-6	-259

*The trend rate of the Child Care Center and Family Child Care indicators is based on the most recent four years of data available.

HEALTH INDICATORS	NESS	PEERS	KANSAS	NESS	PEERS	KANSAS
IMMUNIZATIONS Percent of kindergarteners fully immunized of the 4:3:1:3:3 series at 35 months of age. Current data from 2017-18 school year.	78.00%	77.80%	71.00%	-4.60%	2.00%	1.00%
PRENATAL CARE Percent of live births to mothers who received adequate or adequate-plus prenatal care. Current data from 2019.	92.59%	80.56%	83.82%	3.66%	0.51%	0.04%
LOW BIRTH WEIGHT BABIES Percent of live births weighing under 5.5 lbs. Current data from 2019.	7.14%	7.26%	7.60%	0.21%	0.42%	0.19%
INFANT MORTALITY Number of deaths, under age 1, per 1,000 live births. Current data from 2019.	0.00	3.42	5.34	0.00	0.00	-0.06
TEEN VIOLENT DEATHS Number per 100,000 of 15- to 19-year olds who died due to suicide, homicide or motor vehicle accident. Current data from 2018.	591.72	93.53	43.86	171.82	20.67	4.39
UNINSURED CHILDREN Percent of children under 19 with no health insurance coverage. Current data from 2018.	9.79%	8.31%	4.97%	0.14%	-0.15%	-0.13%
MENTAL HEALTH Number per 1,000 children under 18 hospitalized for mental health. Current data from Fiscal Year 2019.	0.00	1.28	6.06	-0.29	-0.05	0.51
MEDICAID ENROLLMENT *(Not depicted as a rate.)* Average monthly enrollment of children under 19 in Medicaid. Current data from 2019.	182	8,066	226,110	0	0	-3,847
CHIP ENROLLMENT *(Not depicted as a rate.)* Average monthly enrollment of children under 19 in the Children's Health Insurance Program. Current data from 2019.	48	1,931	44,674	-4	-92	-2,006