

Health Insurance and the Uninsured in Kansas

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Why is Health Insurance Important?

Without health insurance, Kansans may not receive the health care that they need.

Without health insurance, Kansans may face financial hardship due to medical bills.

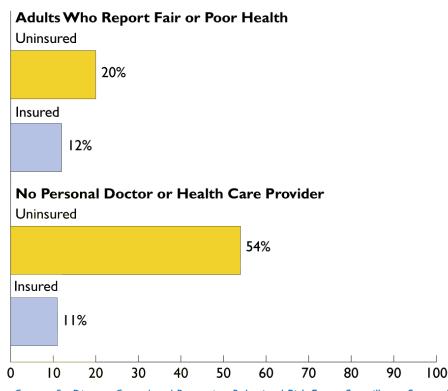


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Kansas Adults Age 19-64 by Insurance Status

Uninsured Kansans are more likely to report fair or poor health.

Uninsured Kansans are less likely to have a doctor or health care provider.



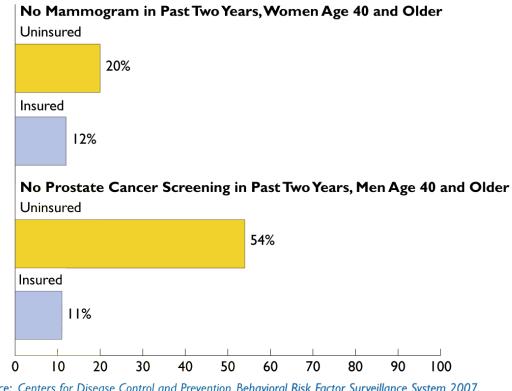
Source: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System 2007.



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Uninsured Kansas adults are more likely to have missed important preventive health screenings.

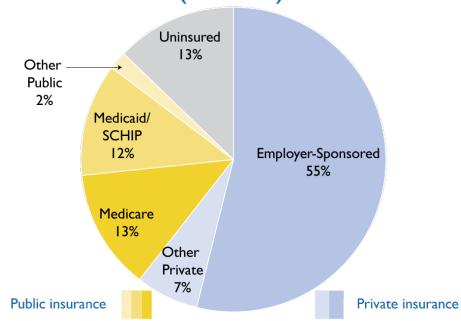


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Eighty-seven percent of Kansans are covered by private or public health insurance.

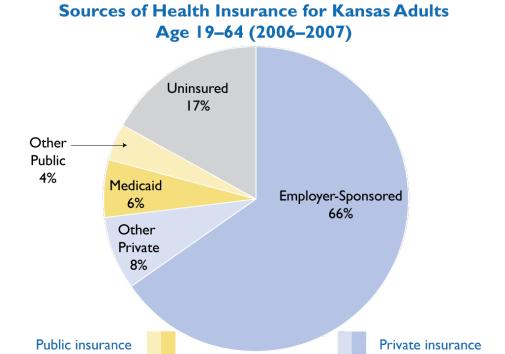




Notes: All Kansans = 2.7 million. The percentages presented in this chart have been rounded to the nearest whole number, with the 12.5 percent who are uninsured rounded up to 13 percent. Percentages may not sum to 100 percent because of rounding.



Only 6 percent of adult Kansans are insured through Medicaid.

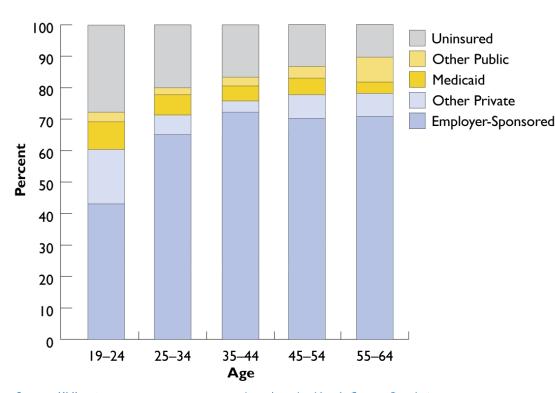


Note: All Kansas adults = 1.6 million. The percentages presented in this chart have been rounded to the nearest whole number, with the 17.1 percent of adult Kansans who are uninsured rounded down to 17 percent. Percentages may not sum to 100 percent because of rounding.



Sources of Health Insurance for Kansas Adults by Age (2006–2007)

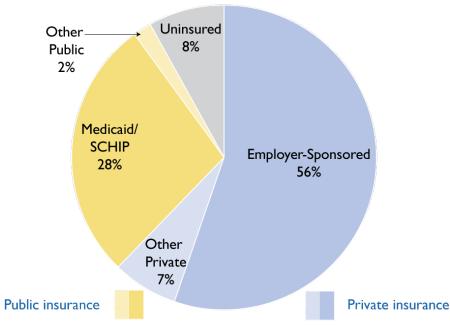
The sources of health insurance vary by age group.





Eight percent of Kansas children are uninsured.





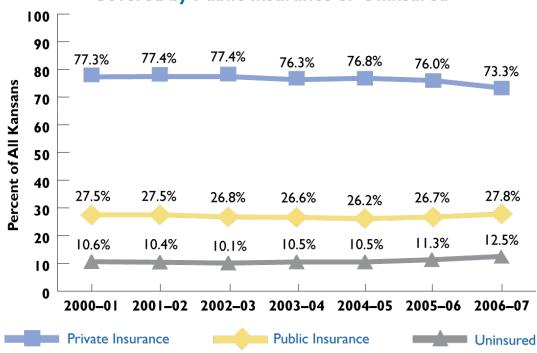
Note: All Kansas children = 742,000. Percentages may not sum to 100 percent because of rounding. Source: KHI estimates are two-year averages based on the March Current Population Survey, 2007 and 2008.



Sources of Health Insurance: Trends

The percentage of Kansans with private health insurance declined between 2004–2005 and 2006–2007.

Percent of All Kansans Covered by Private Insurance, Covered by Public Insurance or Uninsured



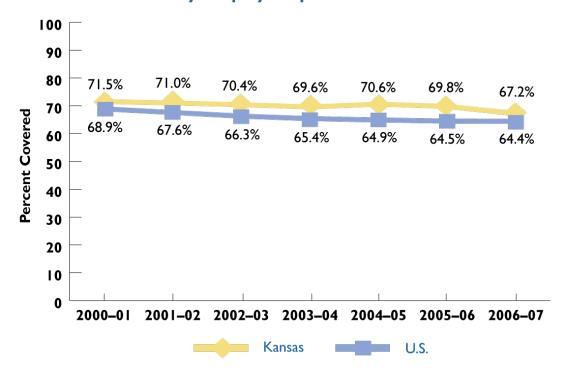
Note: These estimates of private and public insurance include respondents who reported multiple forms of insurance during the year.



Employer-Sponsored Insurance: Trends

Percent of Adults Age 19-64
Covered by Employer-Sponsored Insurance

Employer-sponsored insurance coverage of adults has declined since 2000–2001, both in Kansas and nationwide.



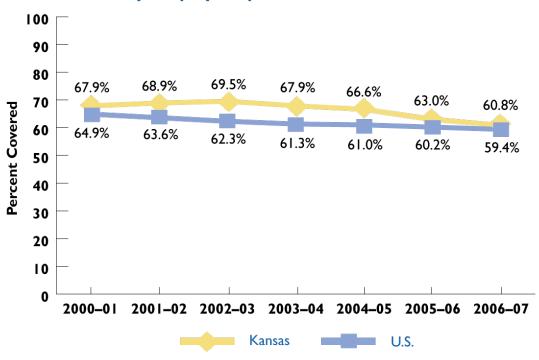
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Employer-Sponsored Insurance: Trends

Percent of Children Covered by Employer-Sponsored Insurance

Health insurance coverage through a family member's employer has also declined for children.



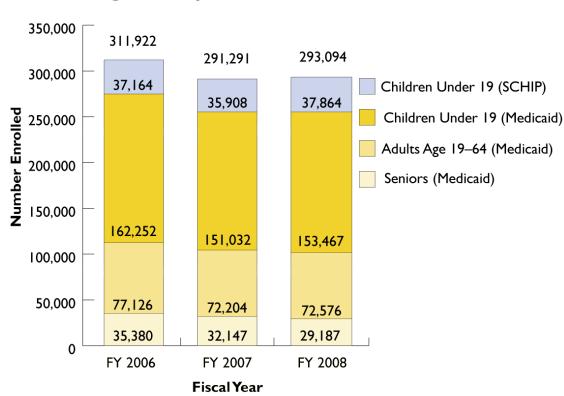
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Medicaid and SCHIP Enrollment: Trends

Average Monthly Enrollment in Medicaid and SCHIP

Medicaid enrollment in FY08 remains lower than in FY06.

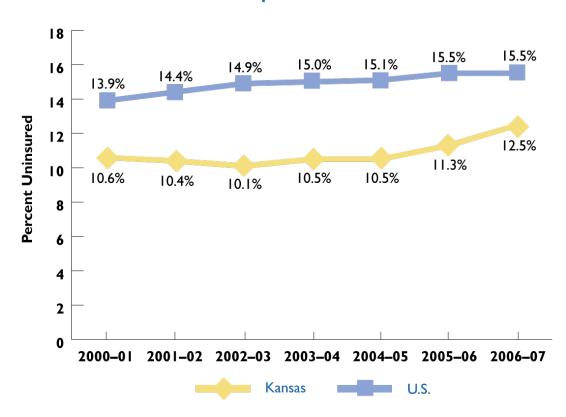


Note: Fiscal years are July to June. October enrollment is excluded from the averages. Source: Kansas Health Policy Authority administrative data.



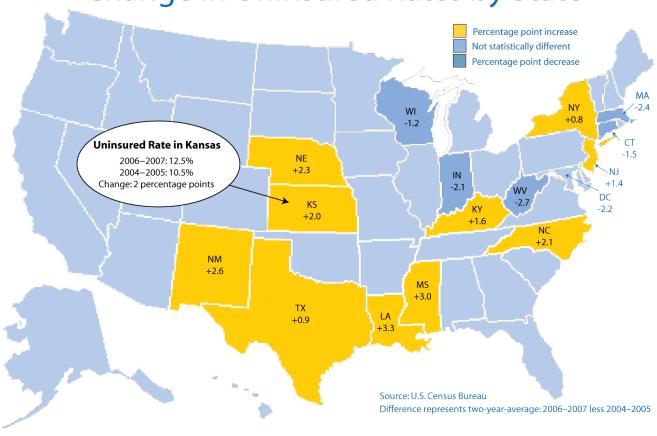
Percent of Population Uninsured

Kansas is one of 10 states in which the percentage of the population that is uninsured has increased since 2004–2005.





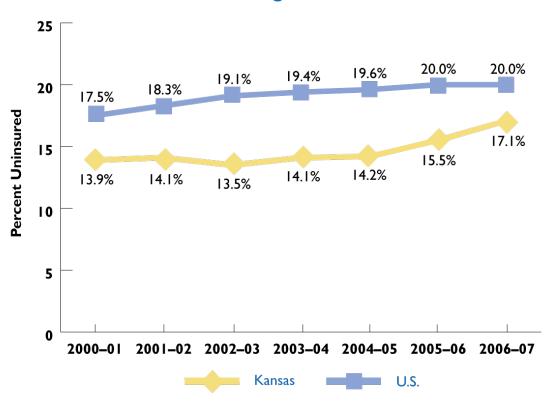
Change in Uninsured Rates by State





Percent of Adults Age 19-64 Uninsured

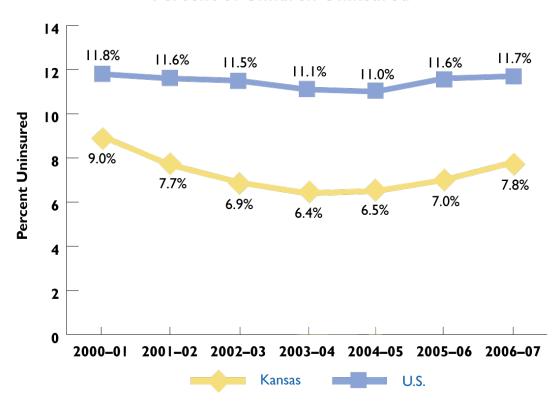
The percentage of Kansas adults who are uninsured is at its highest point this decade.





The percentage of Kansas children who are uninsured reached a low in 2003–2004 and has not changed statistically since.

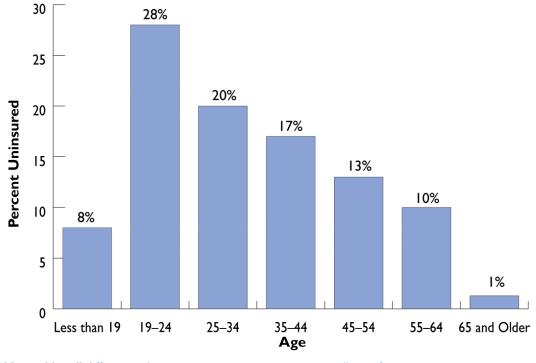
Percent of Children Uninsured





Percent of Kansans in Each Age Category Who Are Uninsured (2006–2007)

For adult Kansans, the likelihood of being uninsured decreases with age.

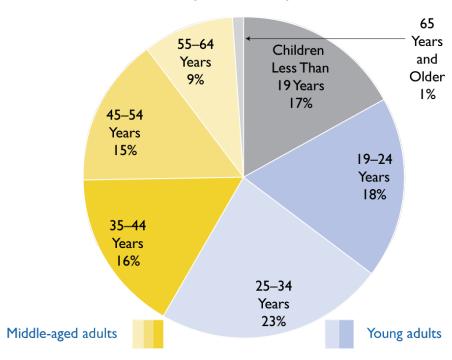


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Young adults comprise a disproportionately large percentage of uninsured Kansans.

Uninsured Kansans by Age (2006–2007)

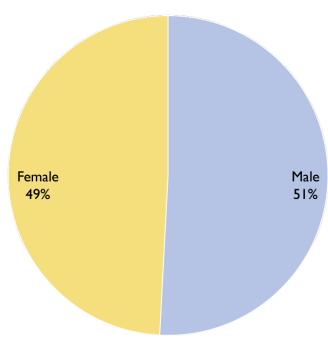


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The uninsured population is about evenly split between male and female Kansans.



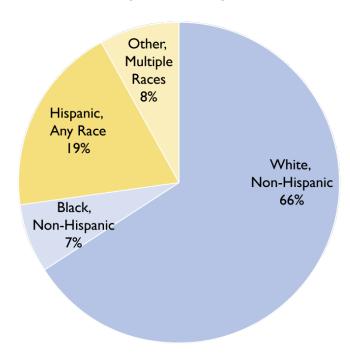


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Although two-thirds of the uninsured are non-Hispanic white Kansans, Hispanic Kansans constitute a disproportionately large percentage of the uninsured.

Uninsured Kansans by Race/Ethnicity (2006–2007)

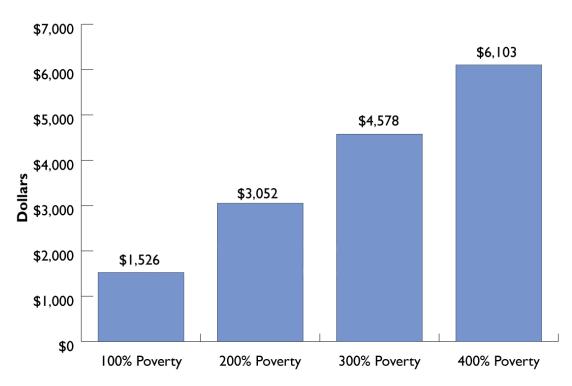


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Poverty Level

Gross Monthly Income for a Family of Three by Percent of Poverty Level (2009)



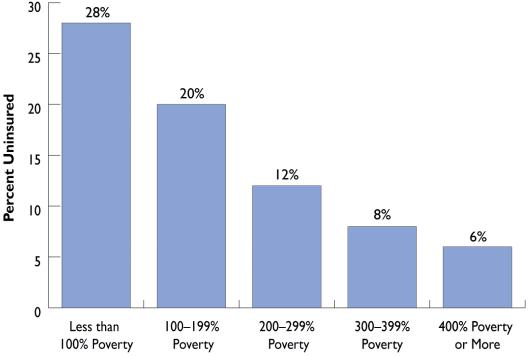
Source: Federal Register, Vol. 74, No. 14, January 23, 2009, pp. 4199-4201.



Who Are Uninsured (2006–2007)

Percent of Kansans in Each Poverty Category

The likelihood of being uninsured decreases as family income increases.



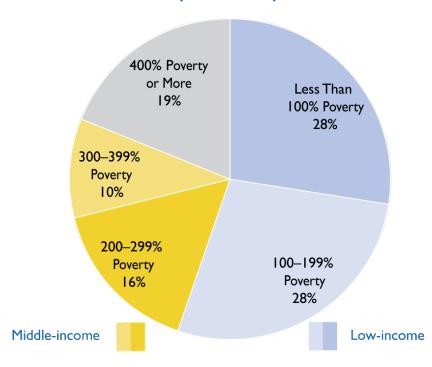
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More than half of uninsured Kansans have low family incomes.

Uninsured Kansans by Poverty Category (2006–2007)

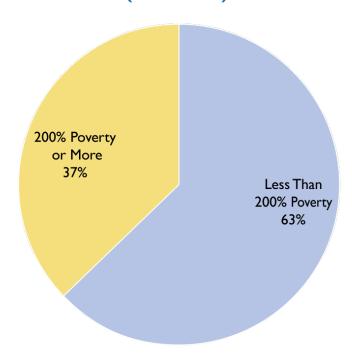


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Uninsured Kansas Children by Poverty Category (2006–2007)

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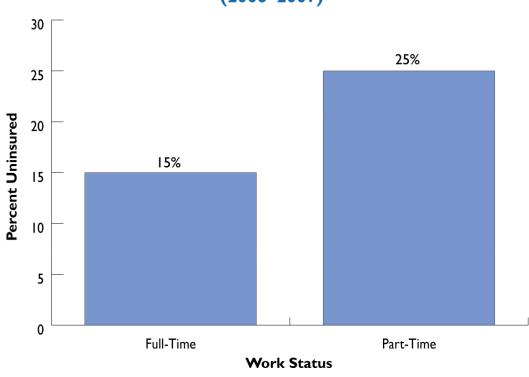


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Percent of Adult Kansas Workers Who Are Uninsured (2006–2007)

Full-time workers are less likely to be uninsured than part-time workers.

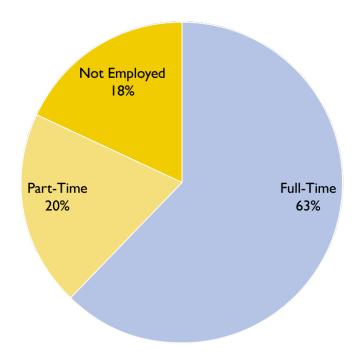


Note: Most full-time workers work year-round.



Uninsured Kansas Adults Age 19–64 by Work Status (2006–2007)

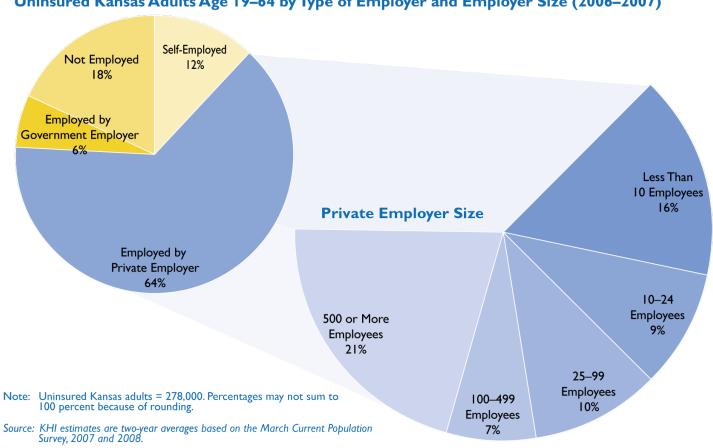
Almost two-thirds of uninsured Kansas adults are full-time workers.



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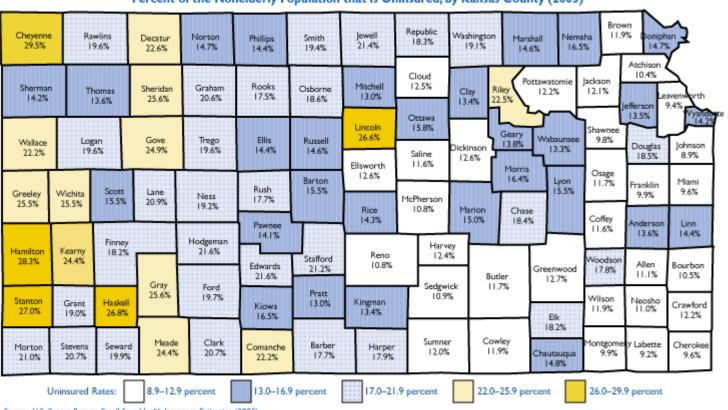






The Uninsured: By County

Percent of the Nonelderly Population that is Uninsured, by Kansas County (2005)



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Small Area Health Insurance Estimates (2005).

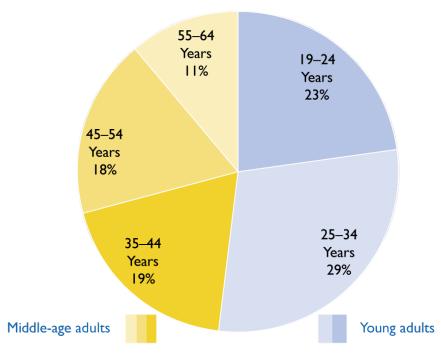


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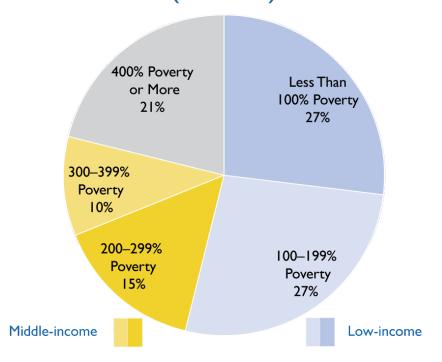
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Uninsured Kansas Adults Age 19–64 by Poverty Status (2006–2007)

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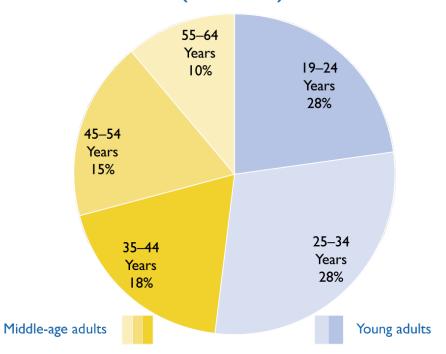
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Uninsured Kansas Adults in Poverty

Uninsured Kansas Adults Age 19-64 in Poverty by Age (2006-2007)

Among uninsured Kansas adults living in poverty, 56 percent are young adults.



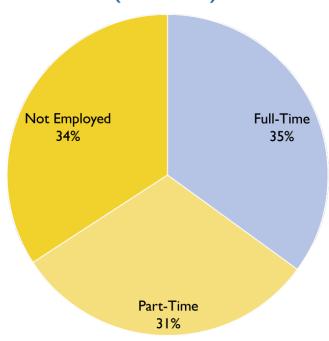
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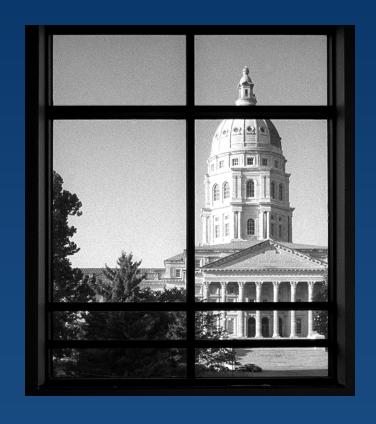
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