

Data Walk: Sedgwick County



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Graduation

Nearly half of students in foster care in USD 259 (47.6 percent) graduated in 2023, compared to 64.6 percent statewide.



Hunger

The rate of food insecurity for people living in Sedgwick County who identify as Black (26.0 percent) is about 2.5 times higher than the overall rate in Sedgwick County (10.9 percent).



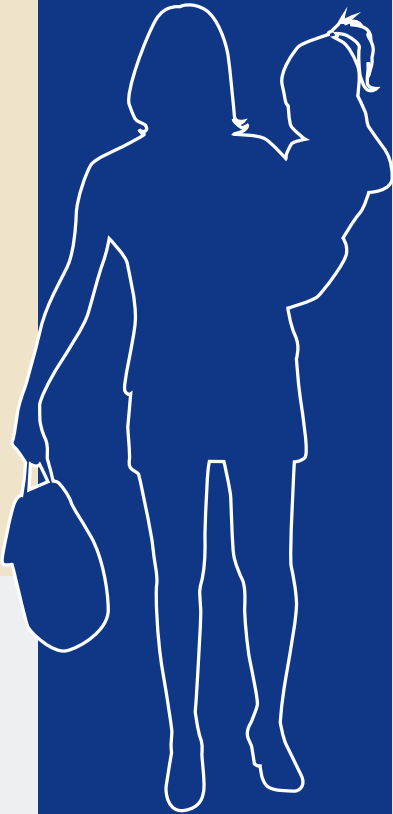
ACEs

About one in five adults in Kansas (18.4 percent) have experienced four or more adverse childhood experiences.



Poverty

More than two-thirds of children in poverty in Sedgwick County (69.2 percent) live in single-parent households.



Foster Care

One-fifth of all Kansas children removed into foster care, or 21.8 percent of all removals in Kansas, were in Sedgwick County — more than any other Kansas county. This is 4.98 removals per 1,000 children in Sedgwick County.

Although abuse was the most common reason for removal in Sedgwick County across all age groups, **one-third of removals** (34.9 percent) of all removals were identified as families in need of assessment (FINA) or cases with the presence of substances or drug use, domestic violence, behavior problems, incarceration or death of a parent, inadequate housing or conditions that require additional agency assessment and community supports.

Children identified as Black (alone or in combination with another race) were over **three times more likely** to be removed into foster care in Sedgwick County than all other children in Sedgwick County.

Experiences of homelessness doubled from age 17 to 21

Although the percentage of Kansas youth who had transitioned out of foster care reporting full-time employment increased from age 17 (0.3 percent) to age 21 (44.0 percent), the percent of youth reporting homelessness in the past two years doubled from age 17 (17.0 percent) to age 21 (42.0 percent).

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QUESTIONS

What's important to you about this data?

What opportunities do you see for progress?

What will it take to create change?

For more information about how you can get involved or to request a data walk event for a group, contact:

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