



KANSAS

In Brief

"Kansas was settled by antislavery Republicans and has remained strongly Republican in both national and local elections. Kansas voters usually elected Republican governors during the late 1800's and early 1900's. But since 1956, Democrats have won more gubernatorial elections than Republicans. Kansas voters have chosen the Republican candidate in most presidential elections."

Resource: World Book 2008

Capital: Kansas City

Area: 82,277 sq mi

Population: 2,764,075

Resource: World Almanac 2008

About 64 percent of Kansas' voting-age citizens cast a ballot in the 2004 general election, the same as the national rate. Kansas' 2007 population of 2.8 million includes a higher percentage of the non-Hispanic white-alone population and a lower percentage of Hispanics and blacks than the nation as a whole, according to U.S. Census Bureau statistics.

More information at: <http://www.census.gov/population/www/socdemo/voting.html>

Selected Characteristics	Kansas	U.S.
Median age	36.0	36.4
Women	50.4%	50.7%
White alone, not Hispanic or Latino	81.1%	66.4%
Black alone	6.0%	12.8%
Hispanic or Latino	8.6%	14.8%
Median household income	\$45,478	\$48,451
Foreign born	6.3%	12.5%
Persons below poverty	12.4%	13.3%
Bachelor's degree or higher (age 25+)	28.6%	27.0%
Median home value	\$114,400	\$185,200

Source: U.S. Census Bureau Total Population Estimates (2007), State Population Estimates by Characteristics (2006), American Community Survey (2006).

More Resources

Government Information
<p>The Official Web site for the State Kansas http://www.kansas.gov/government/</p> <p>Governor of Kansas http://www.governor.ks.gov/</p> <p>Kansas - Elected Officials in U.S. Senate http://www.senate.gov/general/contact_information/senators_cfm.cfm?State=KS</p> <p>Kansas - Elected Officials in U.S. House of Representatives http://www.house.gov/house/MemberWWW_by_State.shtml#de</p>
Elections 2008
<p>Politics 1: Kansas Directory http://www.politicsone.com/ks.htm</p> <p>The Green Papers: Kansas 2008 General Elections General http://www.thegreenpapers.com/G08/KS.phtml</p> <p>Secretary of State- Elections & Legislative http://www.kssos.org/elections/elections.html</p>
Statistics
<p>Kansas - Quick Facts from the US Census Bureau http://quickfacts.census.gov/qfd/states/20000.html</p>
Media
<p>Local newspapers http://www.newslink.org/ksnews.html</p> <p>Local radio stations http://www.newslink.org/ksradi.html</p>
General Information
<p>Infoplease Kansas http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108215.html</p> <p>50states.com - Kansas http://www.50states.com/kansas.htm</p>

Please find more information at
<http://usa.usembassy.de/classroom/electionproject2008/index>