### County Facts: Seward County, KS
Population 22,000

#### The Local Economy

- **Unemployment rate**: 3.5% (Seward County), 3.6% (KS), 4.4% (United States)
- **Poverty rate**: 13.7% (Seward County), 13.1% (KS), 15.1% (United States)
- **Median family income (000s)**: $51 (Seward County), $55 (KS), $57 (United States)
- **Population growth 2000-2017**: -2% (Seward County), 8% (KS), 16% (United States)
- **Manufacturing share of workforce**: 16% (Seward County), 12% (KS), 10% (United States)
- **Farming share of workforce**: 10% (Seward County), 3.1% (KS), 1.7% (United States)
- **Great Recession unemployment spike (pp)**: 2.6% (Seward County), 1.3% (KS), 2.6% (United States)

#### How Local Kids' Lives Turn Out

- **Percent graduating any college**: 43% (Seward County), 46% (KS), 50% (United States)
- **Percent reaching upper-middle class**: 17% (Seward County), 22% (KS), 20% (United States)
- **Percent achieving American Dream**: 9% (Seward County), 11% (KS), 10% (United States)
- **Percent giving birth as a teen**: 18% (Seward County), 20% (KS), 18% (United States)
- **Percent landing in jail**: 1.2% (Seward County), 1.5% (KS), 1.5% (United States)
- **Local school expenditure per student (000s)**: $4.9 (Seward County), $6.4 (KS), $6.4 (United States)
Local Colleges and Upward Mobility

4-Year Colleges

- Low-income share of students: 5.6% (Kansas), 48.4% (U.S.).
- Low-income student success rate: 9.3% (Kansas), 51.3% (U.S.).

2-Year Colleges

- Low-income share of students: 11.9% (Kansas), 31.9% (U.S.).
- Low-income student success rate: 11.8% (Kansas), 32.9% (U.S.).

Local Demographics

- Percent Black: 3% (Seward County), 14% (KS), 7% (United States).
- Percent Hispanic: 11% (Seward County), 17% (KS), 1% (United States).
- Percent over age 65: 8.5% (Seward County), 13.0% (KS), 21% (United States).
- Percent college grad: 11% (Seward County), 21% (KS), 21% (United States).
- Crime rate (arrests per 10K residents): 91 (Seward County), 76 (KS), 34 (United States).

*: Data refers to the full college system, not just this campus. †: In nearby county.
Definitions and Sources

The Local Economy
- Unemployment rate (August 2018, BLS)
- Poverty rate (2012-2016 ACS)
- Median family income (2016 ACS)
- Manufacturing share of workforce (2012-2016 ACS)
- Farming share of workforce (2012-2016 ACS)
- Great Recession unemployment spike (BLS LAUS)

How Local Kids’ Lives Turn Out
- Percent graduating any college (2-yr or 4-yr, Tax Data 2, N/A for some counties)
- Percent reaching upper middle-class (top 20% of the U.S. income distribution, Tax Data 1, N/A for some counties)
- Percent achieving American Dream (share of local low-income kids—i.e. those with 25th-income-percentile parents—who reach the top 20% of the U.S. income distribution as adults, Tax Data 1, N/A for some counties)
- Percent (of local female kids) giving birth as a teen (Tax Data 1, N/A for some counties)
- Percent landing in jail (percent of local kids in jail on 1 April 2010, Tax Data 1 and 2010 Census, N/A for some counties)
- Local school expenditure per student (in public schools, NCES, N/A for some counties)

Local Colleges and Upward Mobility
- Low-income share of students (share of age-18-22 students with bottom-20% parents, Tax Data 2)
- Low-income student success rate (share of low-income age-18-22 students who reach the top 40% of the U.S. income distribution as adults, Tax Data 2)

Local Demographics
- Percent Black (2012-2016 ACS)
- Percent Hispanic (2012-2016 ACS)
- Percent over age 65 (2010 Census)
- Percent college grad (4-yr college, 2012-2016 ACS)
- Crime rate (serious violent and property arrests per 10,000 residents, FBI Uniform Crime Reports, N/A for some counties)
- Life expectancy (at age 40, Tax Data 3, N/A for some counties)
- Opioid deaths (per 10,000 residents in 2017, CDC, N/A for some counties and some counties report population weighted commuting zone average)

Sources Legend
- ACS: U.S. Census Bureau American Community Surveys, 2012-2016
- CDC: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, National Center for Health Statistics. Multiple Cause of Death 1999-2017 on CDC WONDER Online Database.
- Census: U.S. Census Bureau