

# Community Profile

## Kansas City Six-County Region

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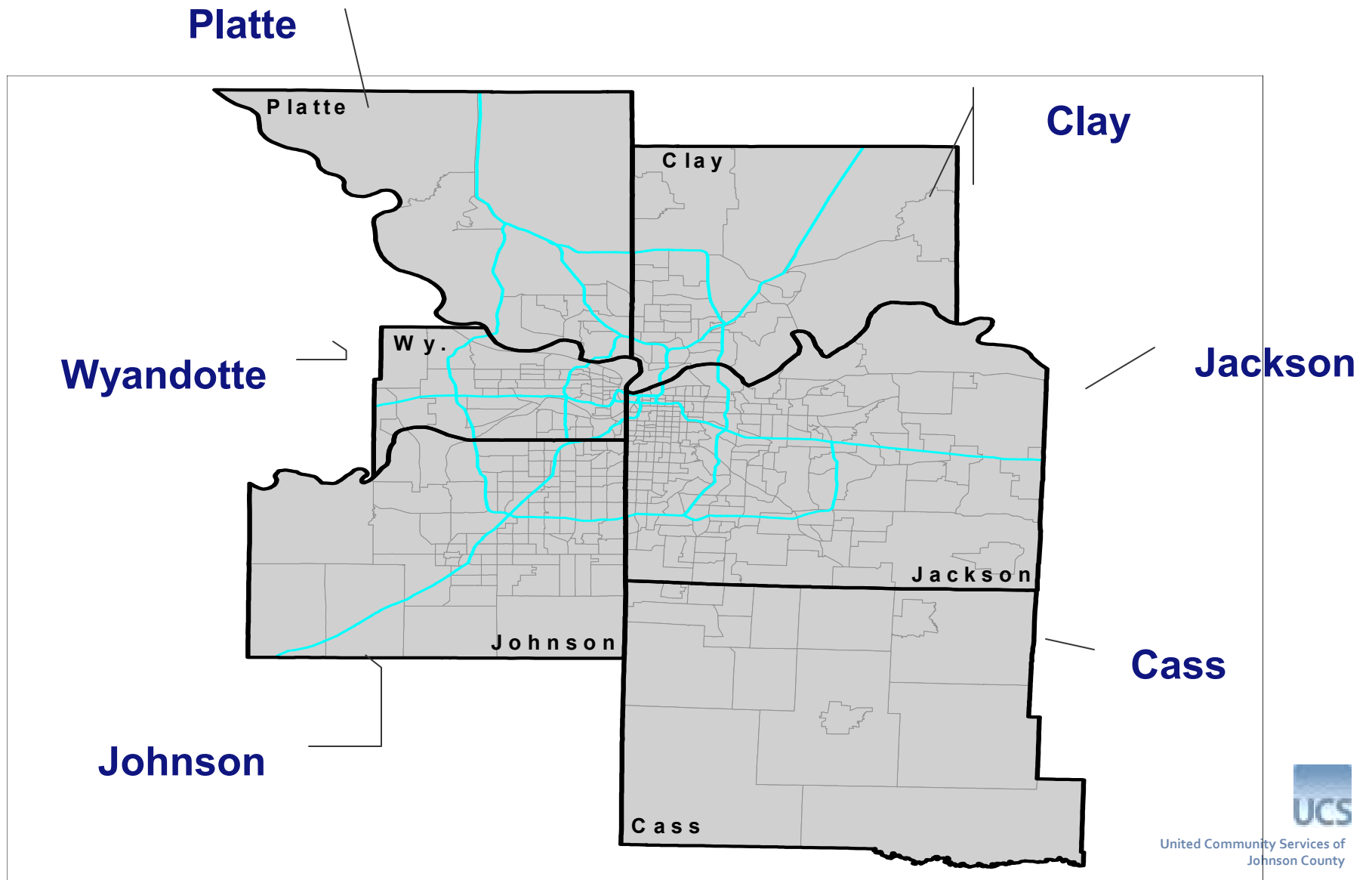
- **People with low income live in every county**
- **People with low income are growing faster than the overall population, especially in the suburbs**
- **Children, youth and young adults are most affected by poverty / low income**

Poverty Data Source:

2008 American Community Survey, U.S. Census Bureau



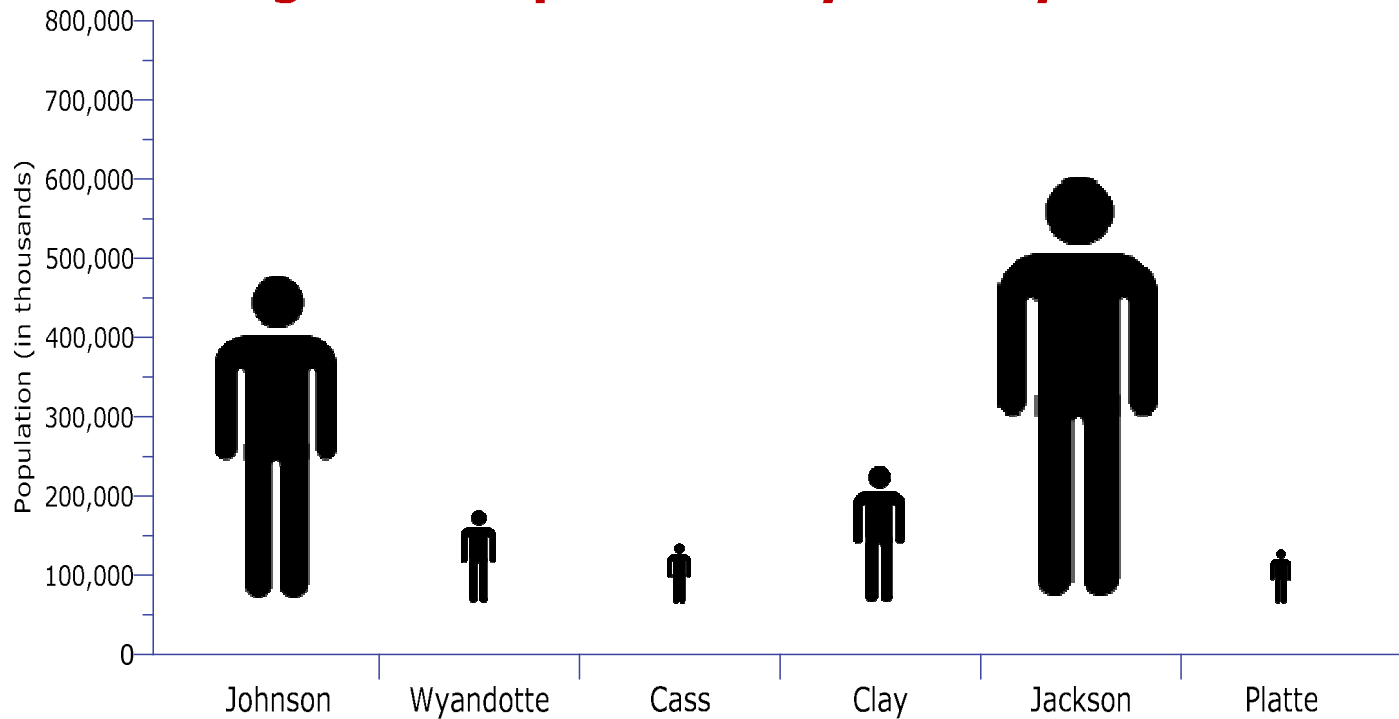
# The Region – Six-County Focus



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Regional Population Estimate = 1,822,760

Regional Population by County in 2009



Source: U.S. Census Bureau. [www.census.gov](http://www.census.gov)



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More than 1 in 4 residents is under age 18; 1 in 9 in 65+

Regional Population

	0 - 17	18 - 64	65+	Total
Johnson County	138,650	339,612	55,831	534,093
Wyandotte County	43,909	94,170	16,208	154,287
Cass County	25,351	61,751	11,327	98,429
Clay County	55,754	136,302	23,651	215,707
Jackson County	170,394	415,828	82,195	668,417
Platte County	<u>20,853</u>	<u>56,868</u>	<u>8,175</u>	<u>85,896</u>
6-County Total	454,911	1,104,531	197,387	1,756,829



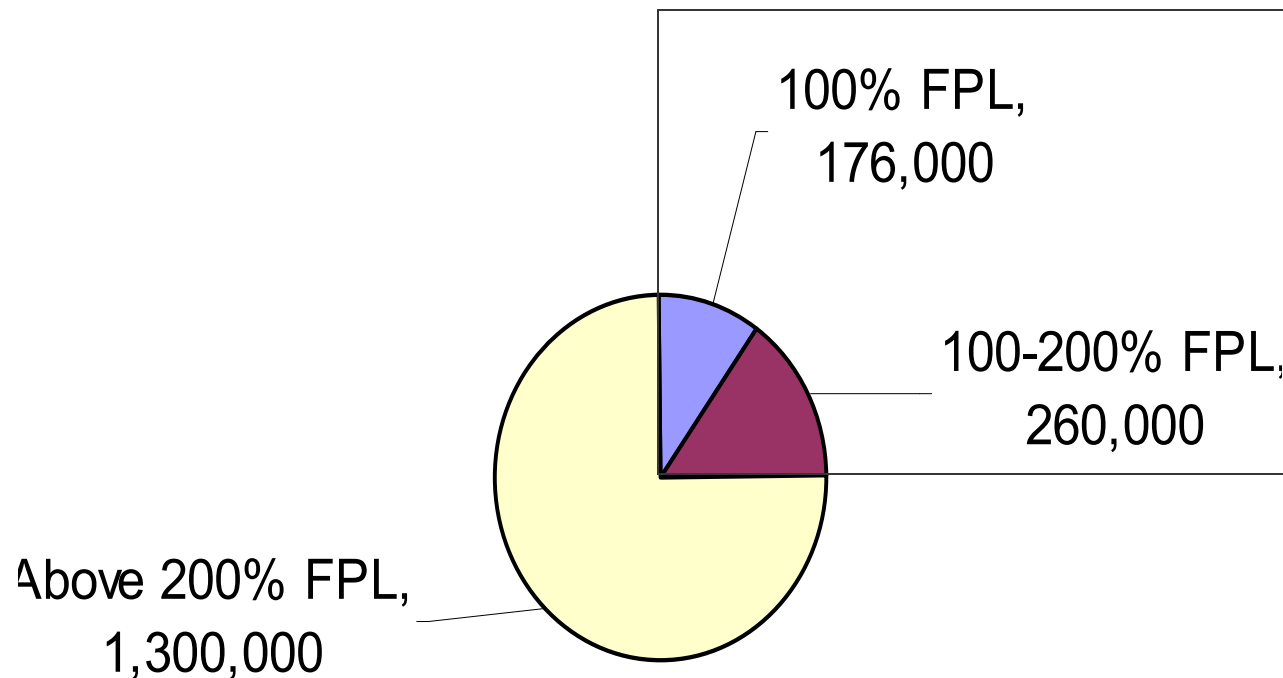
1 in 10 residents lives in poverty; 1 in 4 residents is low income

**Family of 3 in 2010:**

**100% Federal Poverty Level (FPL) = \$18,310**

**200% Federal Poverty Level (FPL) = \$36,620**

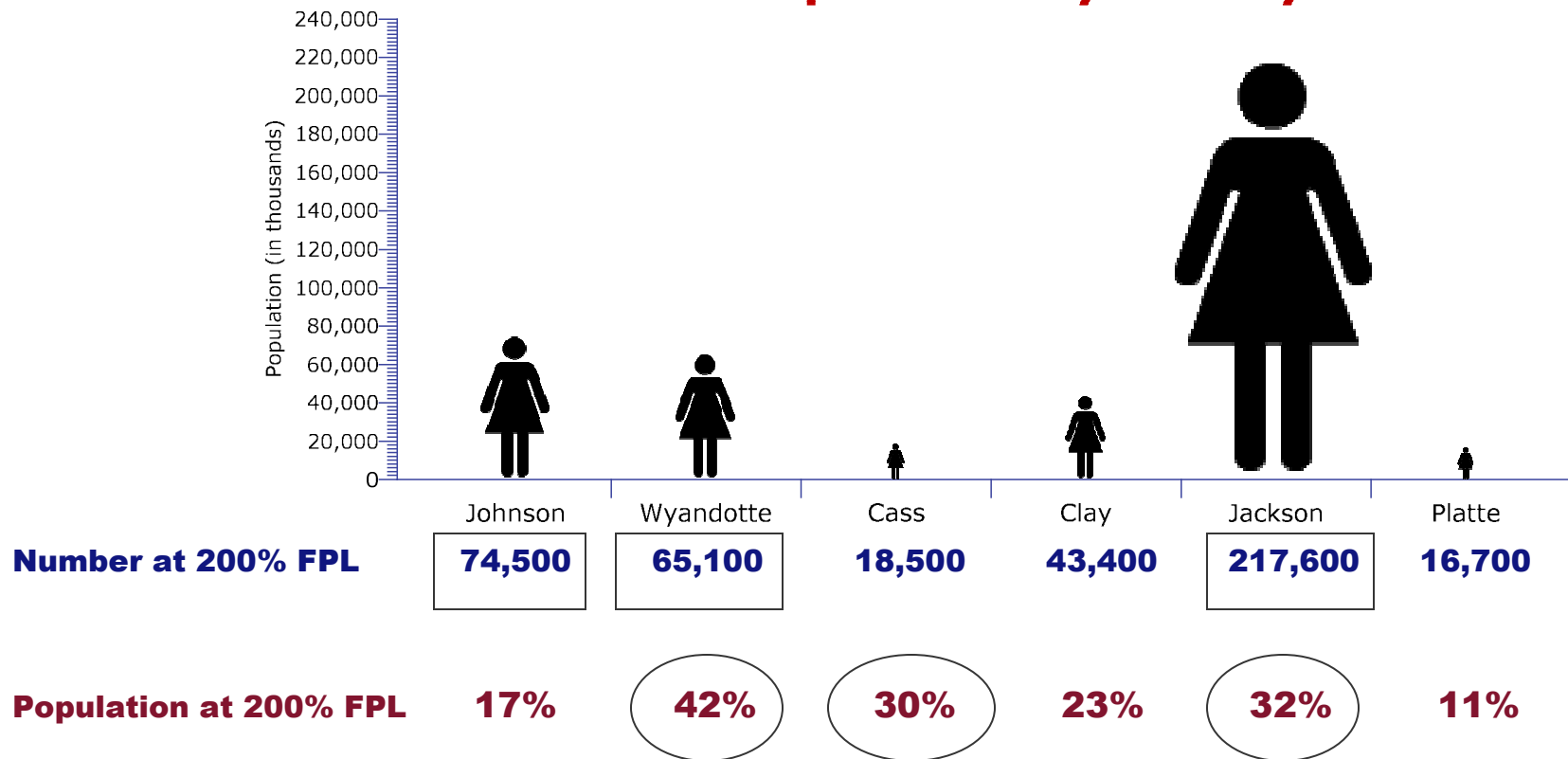
## Population by Income Threshold



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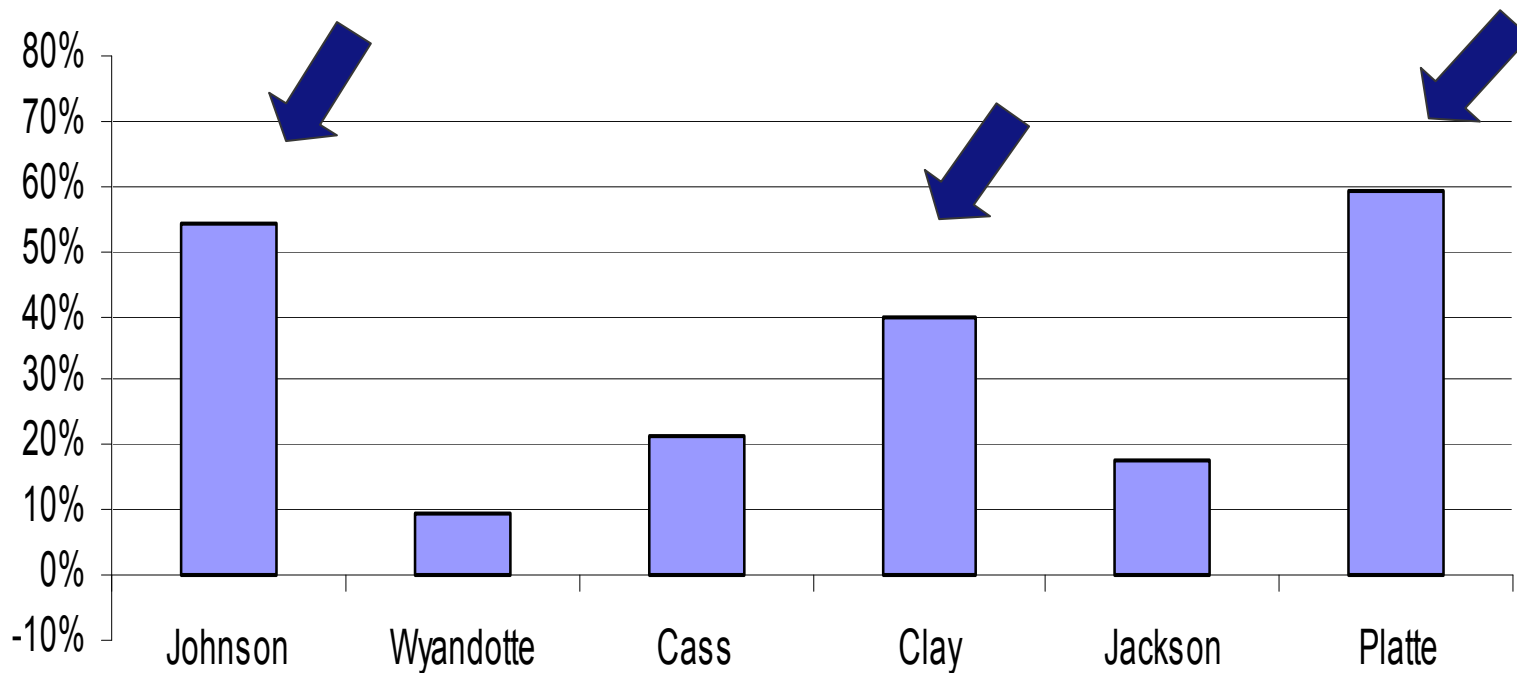
About 436,000 people are low income, 25% of the region's residents

### Low Income Population by County in 2008



# Increase in low-income population greatest in suburban counties

Percentage Increase in Population Below 200% FPL, 2000-2008



Increase in people

26,220

5,510

3,250

12,300

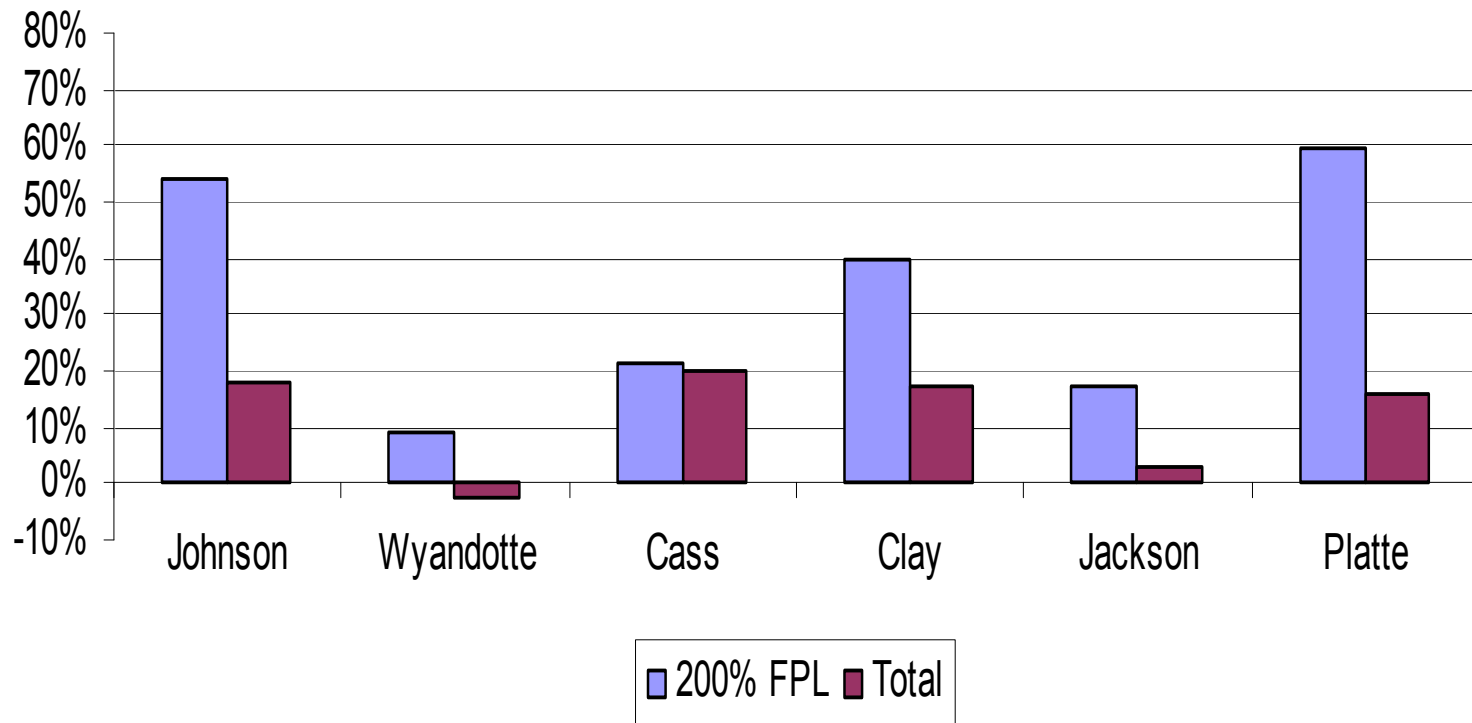
32,400

6,220



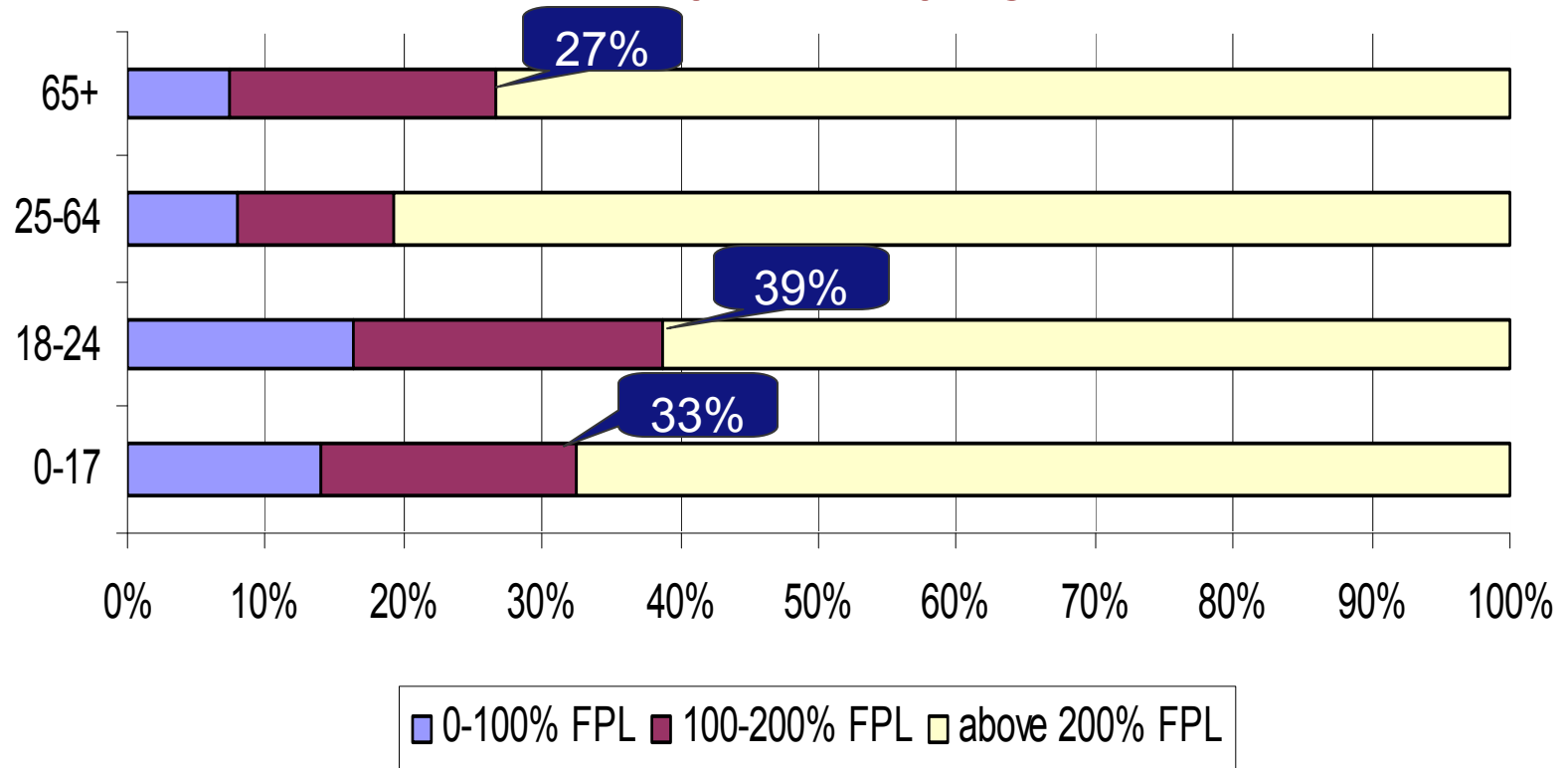
# Low-income population growth outpaces overall population

**Percentage Increase in Population Below 200% FPL and  
Percentage Increase in Total Population  
2000-2008**



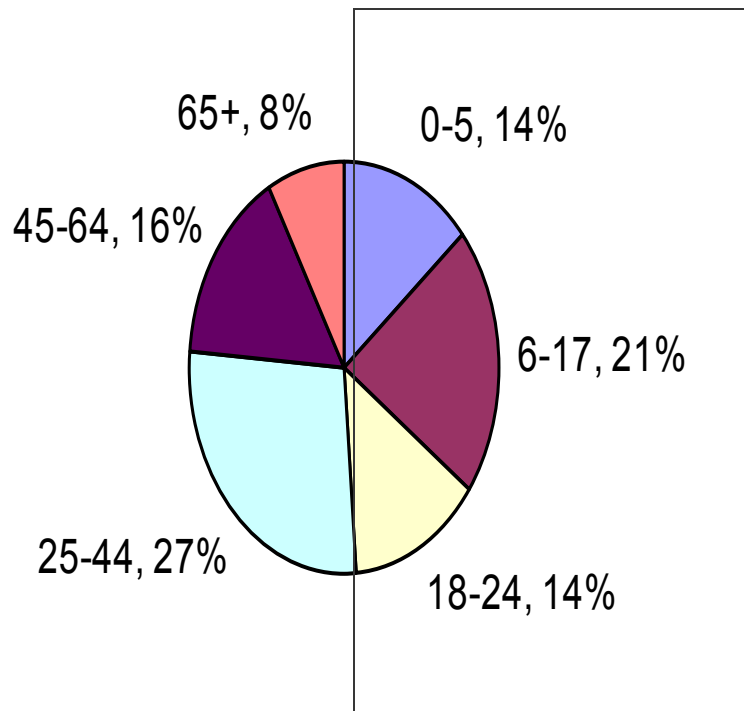
# Residents under age 25 have the highest poverty rates

## Poverty Rates by Age

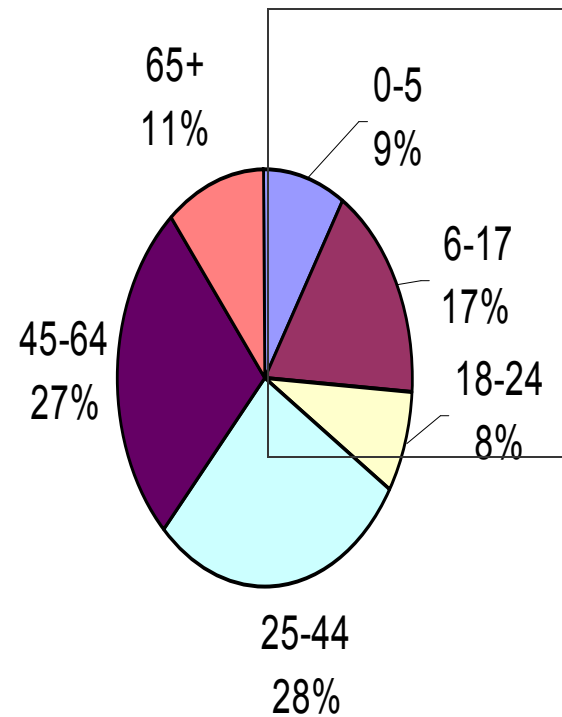


# Children and young adults are more likely to be poor than other ages

### Population in Poverty



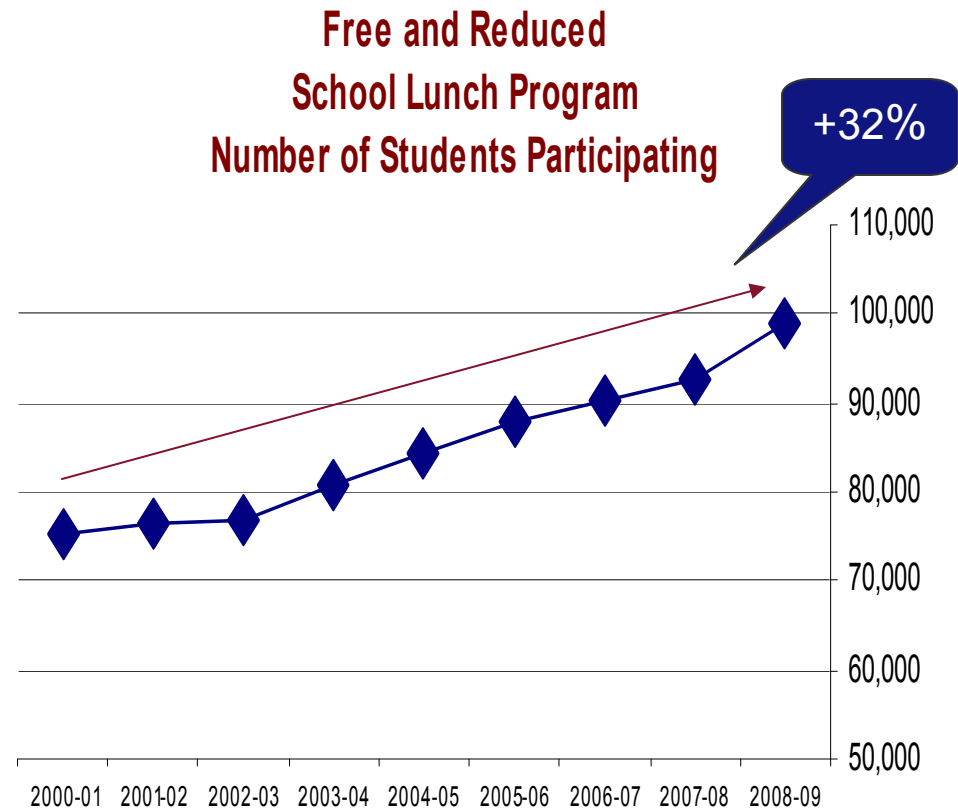
### Total Population



## Enrollment in Free/Reduced School Lunch program climbs

More than **1 in 3 public school children** in the region participate in the free and reduced school lunch program.

This represents a **32% increase** since the 2000-01 school year. During the same period, school enrollment increased by 5%.



Source: KS Dept. of Education and MO Dept. of Elementary and Secondary Education



## Every county's participation rate increased

### School Lunch Enrollment 2008-09 School Year

	Number of Students	Participation Rate	5 Year Participation Rate Increase
Johnson	16,568	18.7%	50.7%
Wyandotte	20,334	72.9%	15.4%
Cass	5,442	30.3%	22.7%
Clay	10,615	28.8%	31.0%
Jackson	43,067	45.8%	6.4%
Platte	3,038	20.8%	26.1%
6-County Total	<u>99,064</u>	35.4%	14.4%

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