

Housing Highlights:

- Homeownership rates remained nearly identical from 2010 to 2020 with owner occupancy raising from 58.3% to 58.6%. *Page 10*
- Housing unit counts show that while the total housing units increased by 0.8%, it was at a much slower pace than previous decades (5.3% from 2000 to 2010 and 3.2% from 1990 to 2000). From 2010 to 2020, nearly the same number of units were vacant as were added to the housing inventory. *Page 10*

Poverty and Income Highlights:

- From 2010 to 2020 the percent of persons in poverty dropped in Topeka from 18.8% to 13.9%. *Page 12*
- 2020 data shows Topeka being roughly 2.5 to 2.8 percentage points higher in poverty rate than Shawnee County and the State of Kansas. *Page 12*
- Per capita income and median household income show Topeka still lags behind peer cities, Shawnee County, and the State of Kansas. *Page 11*

How We Compare

Table 1: Total Population

	Total Population (2020)	As a % of KS Population (2020)	2010 Total Population	AS a % of KS Population (2010)	Annual Growth Rate (2010-2020)
United States	331,449,281	-	308,745,538	-	0.7%
Kansas	2,937,880	-	2,853,118	-	0.3%
Shawnee County	178,909	6.1%	177,934	6.2%	0.1%
Wyandotte	169,245	5.8%	145,786	5.1%	1.6%
Lawrence	94,934	3.2%	87,643	3.1%	0.8%
Olathe	141,290	4.8%	125,872	4.4%	1.2%
Overland Park	197,238	6.7%	173,372	6.1%	1.4%
Topeka	126,587	4.3%	127,473	4.5%	-0.1%
Wichita	397,532	13.5%	382,368	13.4%	0.4%
Source: 2020 Decennial Census					

- The 2020 Census indicates that 40.2% of Kansas's population is located within the major cities of Lawrence, Manhattan, Olathe, Overland Park, Wichita, Topeka, and Wyandotte County. The 2010 Census indicated that 38.4% of the State's population was centered here in these same cities.
- With a total population of 126,587, Topeka is ranked 5th in population.
- Topeka comprised 4.5% of the State's total population in 2010 and 4.3% in 2020, showing a slight decline.
- Topeka's Annual Growth Rate from 2010-2020 was -0.1%, which was lower than comparable cities and the state Annual Growth Average.

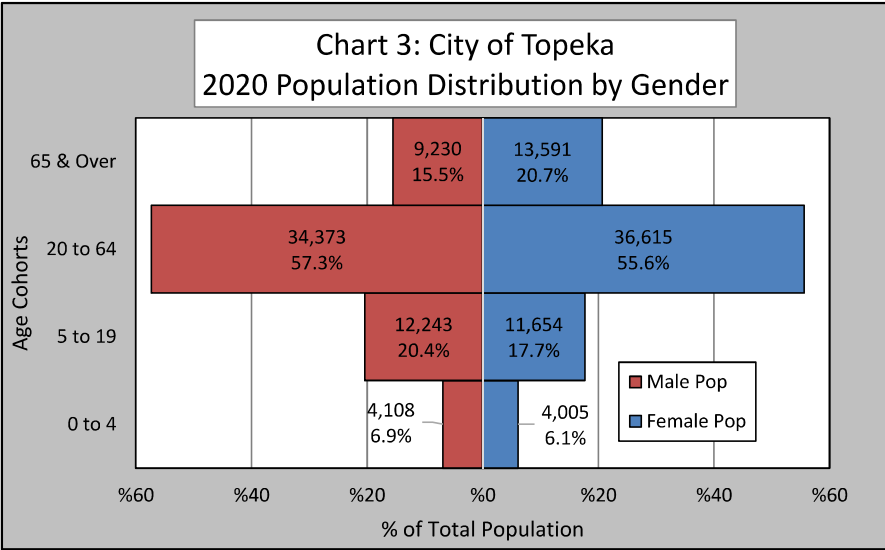
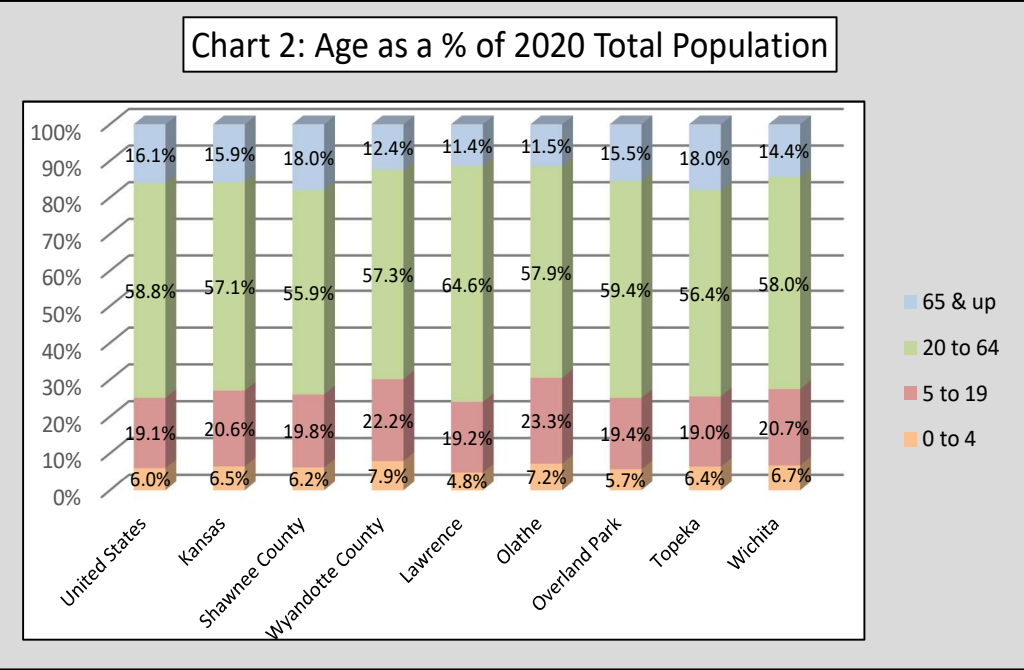
Age Characteristic of Population

Table 3 shows that only one age cohort within the City of Topeka grew from 2010 to 2020, the 65 and over group, which grew 25.49%. The school age cohort (5 to 19) experienced the smallest decline of 3.93%. The preschool cohort experienced the largest percent decline (14.64%), while having the second largest actual change. The workforce cohort experienced the largest decrease in actual population (-3,919), but makes up the largest segment of Topeka’s population and accounted for a 5.23% decrease. Topeka’s current age population distribution shows that there are more females than males by total population, but this number exclusively comes from the cohorts of 20 to 64 and 65 & over (Chart 3).

- In 2020, Topeka had a higher proportion of senior citizens (65 & over) than the national, state, and comparable cities proportions. (Chart 2)
- Topeka had the lowest percent of 20 to 64 year olds of comparable cities within Kansas. (Chart 2)
- Topeka has a lower proportion of 5 to 19 and 20 to 64 year olds than the national, state, and comparable cities within Kansas. (Chart 2)

Table 3: City of Topeka Age Distribution	1990	2000	2010	2020	% Change (10-20)	Actual Change (10-20)
0 to 4	8,864	8,615	9,505	8,113	-14.64%	-1,392
5 to 19	23,603	24,460	24,875	23,897	-3.93%	-978
20 to 64	69,735	70,884	74,907	70,988	-5.23%	-3,919
65 and Over	17,681	18,418	18,186	22,821	25.49%	4,635

Source: 2016-2015 Five Year ACS table S0101



Racial and Ethnic Composition of Population

Table 4: Population by Race and Ethnicity (May included Hispanic/Latino Origin)	United States	%	Kansas	%	Shawnee County	%	Wyandotte County	%	Lawrence	%	Olathe	%	Overland Park	%	Topeka	%	Wichita	%
Total:	331,449,281		2,937,880		178,909		169,245		94,934		141,290		197,238		126,587		397,532	
Population of one race:	297,600,338	89.8%	2,657,373	90.5%	159,926	89.4%	143,962	85.1%	86,139	90.7%	126,784	89.7%	181,267	91.9%	111,516	88.1%	350,981	88.3%
White alone	204,277,273	61.6%	2,222,462	75.6%	132,398	74.0%	73,721	43.6%	71,500	75.3%	104,405	73.9%	147,999	75.0%	86,642	68.4%	251,997	63.4%
Black or African American alone	41,104,200	12.4%	168,809	5.7%	14,211	7.9%	34,589	20.4%	5,052	5.3%	8,444	6.0%	9,068	4.6%	13,218	10.4%	43,537	11.0%
American Indian and Alaska Native alone	3,727,135	1.1%	30,995	1.1%	2,213	1.2%	1,917	1.1%	2,688	2.8%	735	0.5%	694	0.4%	1,723	1.4%	5,296	1.3%
Asian alone	19,886,049	6.0%	86,273	2.9%	2,521	1.4%	7,705	4.6%	4,532	4.8%	6,336	4.5%	18,368	9.3%	2,073	1.6%	20,225	5.1%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander alone	689,966	0.2%	3,412	0.1%	180	0.1%	387	0.2%	67	0.1%	125	0.1%	101	0.1%	153	0.1%	482	0.1%
Some Other Race alone	27,915,715	8.4%	145,422	4.9%	8,403	4.7%	25,643	15.2%	2,300	2.4%	6,739	4.8%	5,037	2.6%	7,707	6.1%	29,444	7.4%
Population of two or more races:	33,848,943	10.2%	280,507	9.5%	18,983	10.6%	25,283	14.9%	8,795	9.3%	14,506	10.3%	15,971	8.1%	15,071	11.9%	46,551	11.7%
Population of two races:	31,890,339	9.6%	265,719	9.0%	17,702	9.9%	24,236	14.3%	8,139	8.6%	13,865	9.8%	15,098	7.7%	13,992	11.1%	43,618	11.0%

Source: 2020 Decennial Census

- “White alone” comprised 68.4% of the total population of Topeka, which is higher than the United States (61.6%) and lower than the State of Kansas (75.6%).
- “Black alone” comprised 10.4% of the population of Topeka, which is lower than the United States (12.4%) and higher than the State of Kansas (5.7%).
- Topeka had one of the higher rates of the population classifying themselves as “Two or more races” at (11.9%) of the select comparable cities, Wyandotte County was the only one with a higher percent (14.9%). This was higher than both the State of Kansas (9.5%) and the United States (10.2%).

Definitions:

White – A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Europe, the Middle East, or North Africa.

Black or African American – A person having origins in any of the Black racial groups of Africa.

American Indian or Alaska Native – A person having origins in any of the original peoples of North and South America (including Central America) and who maintains tribal affiliation or community attachment.

Asian – A person having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, or the Indian subcontinent including, for example, Cambodia, China, India, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, Pakistan, the Philippine Islands, Thailand, and Vietnam.

Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander – A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Hawaii, Guam, Samoa, or other Pacific Islands.

Hispanic and Latino Population

Table 5: Hispanic/Latino Population by Race	United States	%	Kansas	%	Shawnee County	%	Wyandotte County	%	Lawrence	%	Olathe	%	Overland Park	%	Topeka	%	Wichita	%
Total:	331,449,281		2,937,880		178,909		169,245		94,934		141,290		197,238		126,587		397,532	
Hispanic or Latino	62,080,044	18.7%	382,603	13.0%	23,861	13.3%	55,814	33.0%	7,329	7.7%	17,485	12.4%	15,423	7.8%	20,749	16.4%	72,786	18.3%
White alone	12,579,626	3.8%	99,887	3.4%	6,525	3.6%	10,642	6.3%	2,086	2.2%	3,714	2.6%	3,636	1.8%	5,399	4.3%	18,294	4.6%
Black or African American alone	1,163,862	0.4%	5,457	0.2%	680	0.4%	644	0.4%	184	0.2%	182	0.1%	214	0.1%	644	0.5%	1,309	0.3%
American Indian and Alaska Native alone	1,475,436	0.4%	9,074	0.3%	638	0.4%	1,192	0.7%	342	0.4%	321	0.2%	268	0.1%	554	0.4%	1,896	0.5%
Asian alone	267,330	0.1%	1,048	0.0%	41	0.0%	84	0.0%	26	0.0%	43	0.0%	57	0.0%	30	0.0%	234	0.1%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander alone	67,948	0.0%	297	0.0%	18	0.0%	23	0.0%	2	0.0%	10	0.0%	14	0.0%	18	0.0%	53	0.0%
Some Other Race alone	26,225,882	7.9%	135,358	4.6%	7,806	4.4%	25,070	14.8%	1,879	2.0%	6,119	4.3%	4,212	2.1%	7,249	5.7%	27,859	7.0%
Population of two or more races:	20,299,960	6.1%	131,482	4.5%	8,153	4.6%	18,159	10.7%	2,810	3.0%	7,096	5.0%	7,022	3.6%	6,855	5.4%	23,141	5.8%
Source: 2020 Decennial Census																		
Hispanic or Latino by Origin	United States	%	Kansas	%	Shawnee County	%	Wyandotte County	%	Lawrence	%	Olathe	%	Overland Park	%	Topeka	%	Wichita	%
Total:	326,569,308		2,912,619		177,293		165,447		97,348		139,216		193,412		125,819		390,566	
Hispanic or Latino:	59,361,020	18.2%	351,602	12.07%	22,414	12.6%	48,333	29.2%	6,546	6.7%	15,497	11.1%	13,815	7.1%	19,225	15.3%	67,895	17.4%
Mexican	36,537,028	11.2%	285,350	9.80%	19,264	10.9%	40,172	24.3%	4,597	4.7%	12,846	9.2%	9,400	4.9%	17,013	13.5%	57,543	14.7%
Puerto Rican	5,699,150	1.7%	12,694	0.44%	1,160	0.7%	929	0.6%	547	0.6%	781	0.6%	502	0.3%	988	0.8%	1,529	0.4%
Cuban	2,332,584	0.7%	4,517	0.16%	227	0.1%	742	0.4%	38	0.0%	53	0.0%	325	0.2%	226	0.2%	653	0.2%
Dominican (Dominican Republic)	2,042,360	0.6%	1,255	0.04%	-	0.0%	130	0.1%	80	0.1%	23	0.0%	86	0.0%	0	0.0%	57	0.0%
Central American:	5,497,573	1.7%	23,399	0.80%	678	0.4%	5,108	3.1%	364	0.4%	1,211	0.9%	973	0.5%	175	0.1%	3,022	0.8%
South American:	3,819,508	1.2%	8,972	0.31%	217	0.1%	400	0.2%	486	0.5%	377	0.3%	1,234	0.6%	171	0.1%	1,837	0.5%
Other Hispanic or Latino:	3,432,817	1.1%	15,415	0.53%	868	0.5%	852	0.5%	434	0.4%	206	0.1%	1,295	0.7%	652	0.5%	3,254	0.8%
Source 2016 to 2020 Five Year ACS B03001																		

- 18.7% of the total U.S. population is of Hispanic or Latino origin. In the State of Kansas, this percent drops to 13%. In Topeka, this percentage is 16.4% of the total population.
- “White”, “Some Other Race Alone”, and “Two or More Races” represent 94% of the Hispanic or Latino population in Topeka.
- “White” Hispanic or Latino comprise 4.3% of Topeka’s population , as compared to 3.8% nationwide.
- 88.5% of the Hispanic/Latino population in Topeka are of Mexican origin compared to 61.5% in the U.S. and 81.1% in Kansas.

Definitions:

Hispanic/Latino Origin - A person of Cuban, Mexican, Puerto Rican, South/Central American, or other Spanish descent regardless of their race.