

Symington

Caring Communities

Data Book **March 2013**

A review and analysis of the community surrounding the Caring Communities site located at Symington Accelerated Elementary School in Kansas City, Mo.



Introduction

About Caring Communities

Caring Communities was developed by the Local Investment Commission (LINC) to fulfill the role once played by the courthouse square: a place where the community gathers together, shares ideas, and holds neighborhood events. The growth of Caring Communities reflects increasing national interest in creating “community schools.”

The LINC Caring Communities effort, which began in 1992, has grown to 80 sites in seven school districts in Kansas City and Jackson County, MO. LINC’s school district partners include Kansas City, Independence, Fort Osage, North Kansas City, Hickman Mills, Grandview and Center. Other partners include charter schools, local government, state agencies, and community organizations.

About This Book

The Symington Caring Communities Data Book is intended to provide useful information for decision-makers of the Symington community — parents, neighbors, site council members, staff and the general public. We hope the facts, figures and resources contained in this book will help these decision-makers to better understand their neighborhoods and identify needs and opportunities for better coordination of services. We hope this book will help build on the success of Caring Communities and help it thrive in the future.

To request additional copies of this book, or to suggest improvements for future editions of this book, contact the Symington Caring Communities Site Coordinator. The book is also available to download for free at www.kclinc.org/symington



Symington Caring Communities **Established 2007**

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What is a Community School?

A community school is both a place and a set of partnerships between the school and other community stakeholders which leads to improved student learning, stronger families and healthier communities. Community schools are open to everyone—all day, including evenings and weekends. Community-based organizations or public institutions often work as lead agencies in community schools, helping to mobilize community assets and support students success.

Coalition for Community Schools
www.communityschools.org

Community Analysis Zone (CAZ)

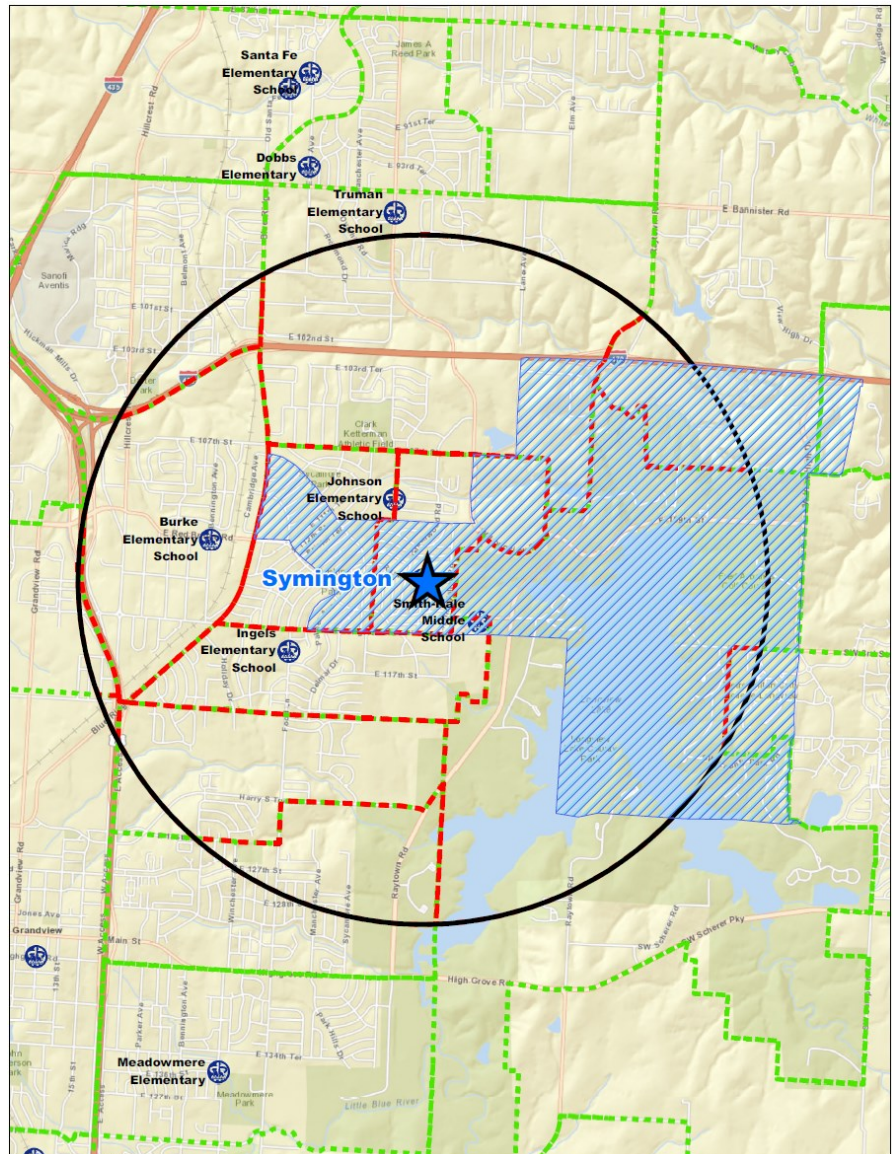
The Community Analysis Zone (CAZ) for the Symington community was established using Symington Accelerated Elementary as a reference point and includes the area within a two-mile radius of the school (the black circle in the map at right). The school catchment area is displayed by the white and blue striped area.

The CAZ overlaps the school boundaries (blue shaded area) and allows for analysis of data about residents, neighborhoods and services within the community served by the Caring Communities site.

For the purpose of this book the boundaries of the Symington CAZ and the “Symington community” are the same, and the terms “CAZ” and “community” are used interchangeably.

Data for the site book was obtained from a number of resources including but not limited to the City of Kansas City, Mo.; U.S. Census Bureau; Jackson County, Mo.; Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education; Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services; United Way of Greater Kansas City; Missouri Department of Social Services; University of Missouri-Kansas City Center for Economic Information; and University of Michigan National Poverty Center.

Community data was analyzed by census tract (red boundaries) within the CAZ. Census tracts are small, relatively permanent statistical subdivisions of a county delineated by local participants as part of the U.S. Census Bureau's Participant Statistical Areas Program. The U.S. Census Bureau delineated census tracts in situations where no local participant existed or where local or tribal governments declined to participate. Census tracts generally have between 1,500 and 8,000 people, with an optimum size of 4,000 people. (Source: U.S. Census Bureau.)



Education

Symington Accelerated Elementary

Total 2012 Enrollment: 376

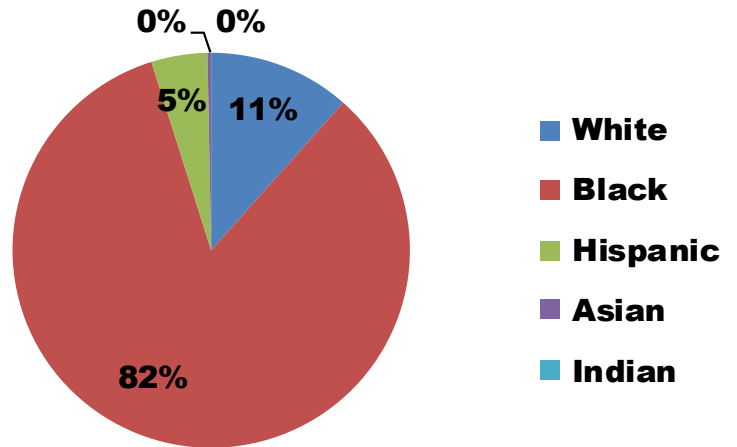
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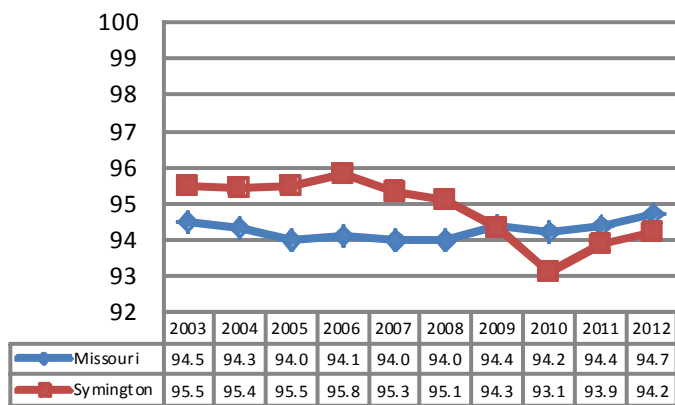
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2012 Student Demographics



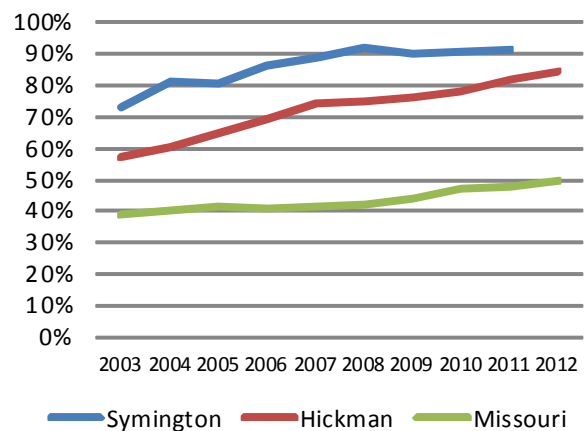
Source: Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education

2012 Student Attendance Rate



Source: Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education

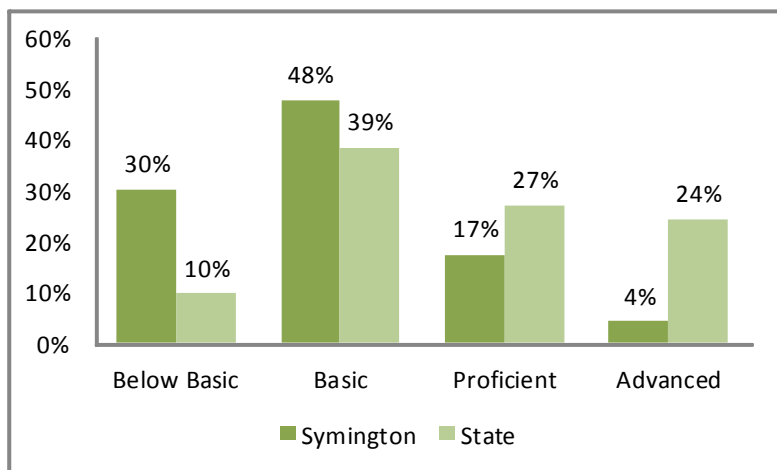
Free/Reduced Lunch



Source: Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education

2012 Missouri Assessment Program (MAP)

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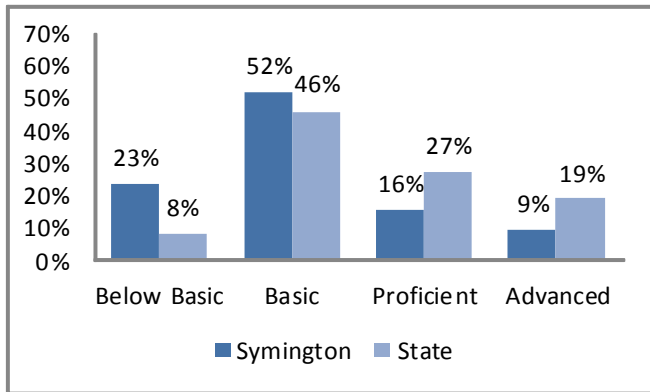


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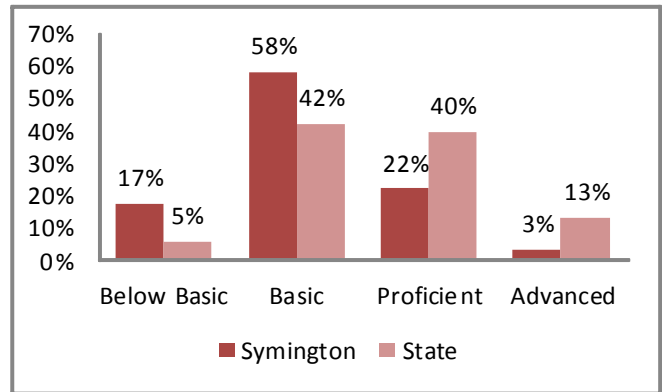
Education

2012 Missouri Assessment Program (MAP), continued

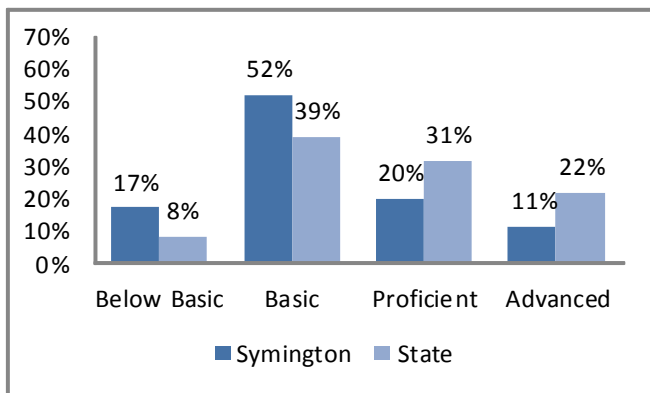
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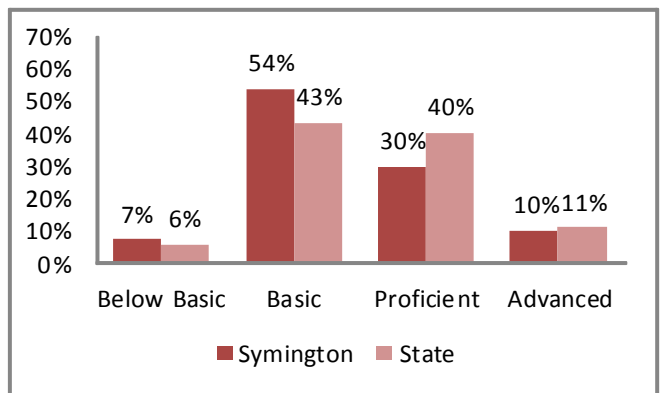
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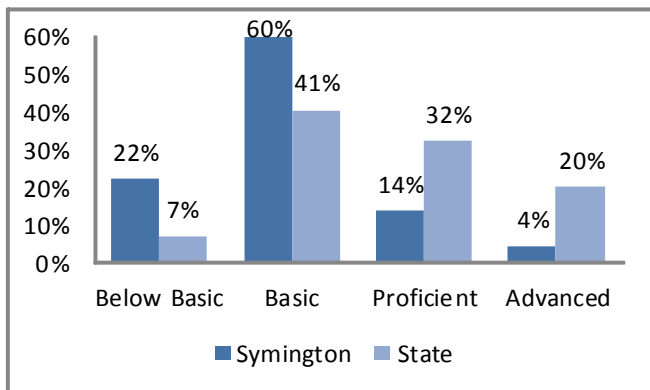
4th Grade Communication Arts



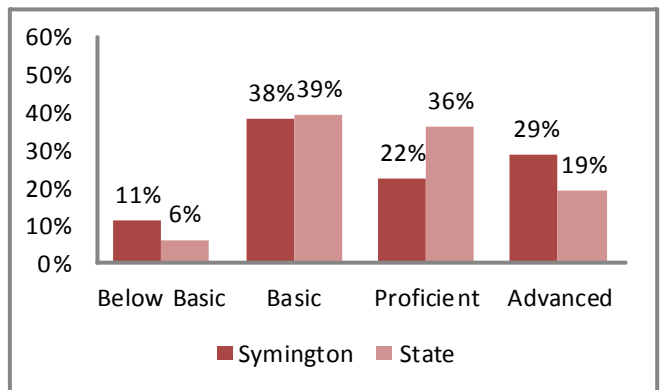
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5th Grade Communication Arts



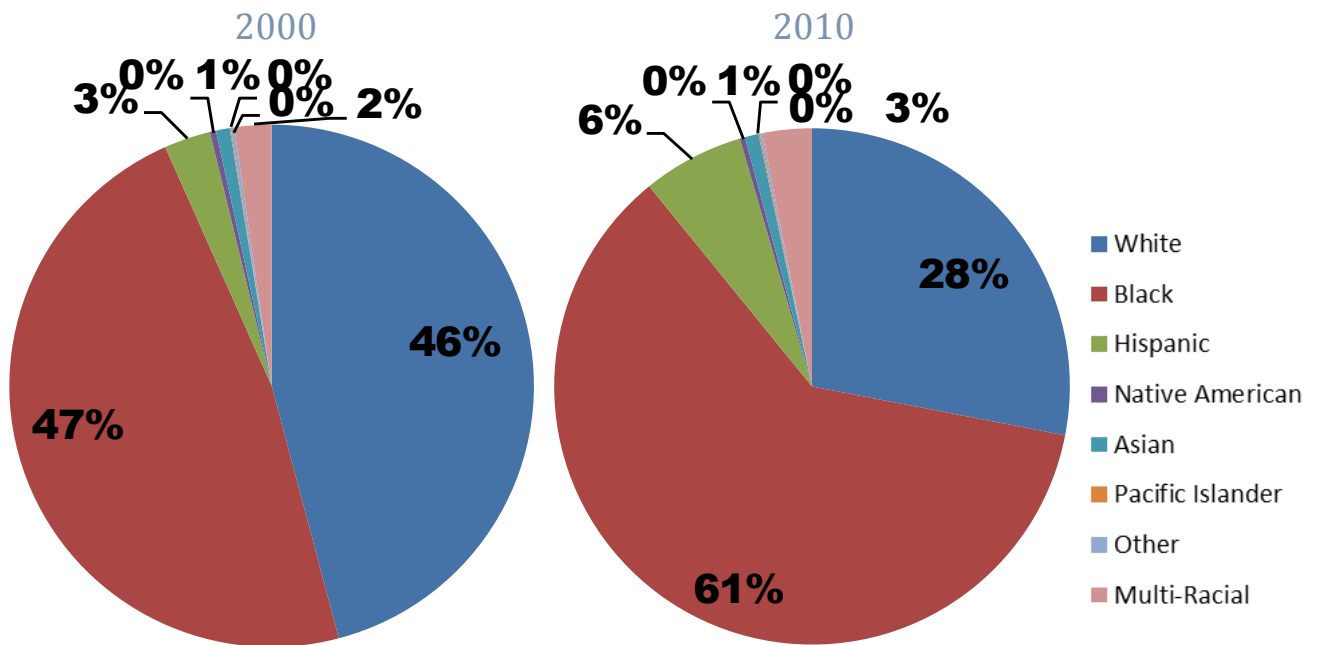
5th Grade Mathematics



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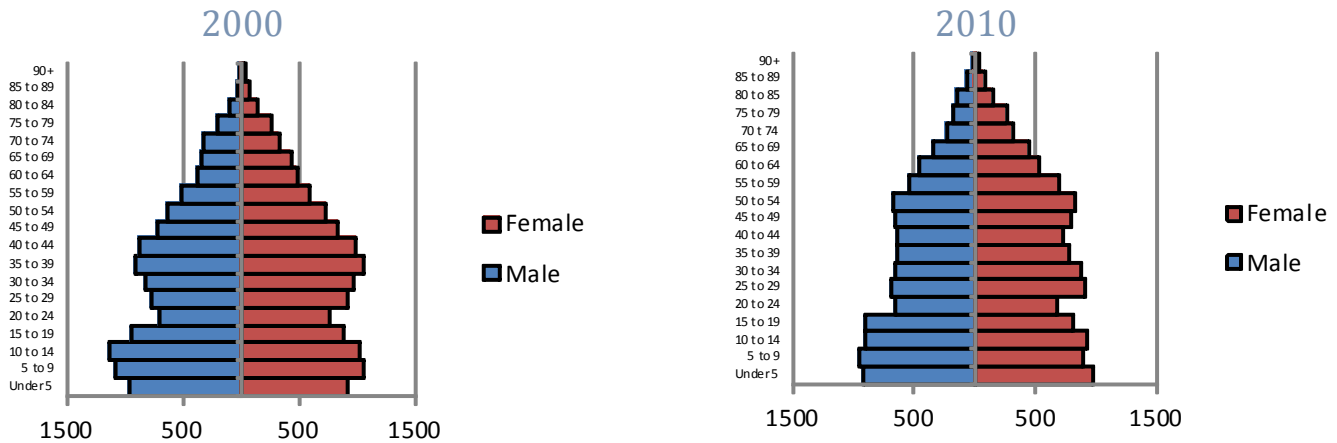
Demographics

Race



Source: U.S. Census Bureau

Age by Sex



Source: U.S. Census Bureau

Family Type with Related Children

	2000	2010	% Change
Total Population	23,931	21,918	-8%
Total Families	6,295	5,519	-12%
Married Families	4,095	2,809	-31%
With Children Under Age 18	2,010	1,230	-39%
Single Father Families	439	513	17%
With Children Under Age 18	291	314	8%
Female Single Parent Families	1,761	2,197	25%
With Children Under Age 18	1,333	1,637	23%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

Economy

	Symington	Jackson County
Median Income	\$46,846	\$46,252
Unemployment Rate	11.8%	8.8%

U.S. Census Bureau, 2010 ACS 5 Year Estimates

Poverty

	Symington	Jackson County
2000	9.4%	11.9%
2010	19.4%	15.7%

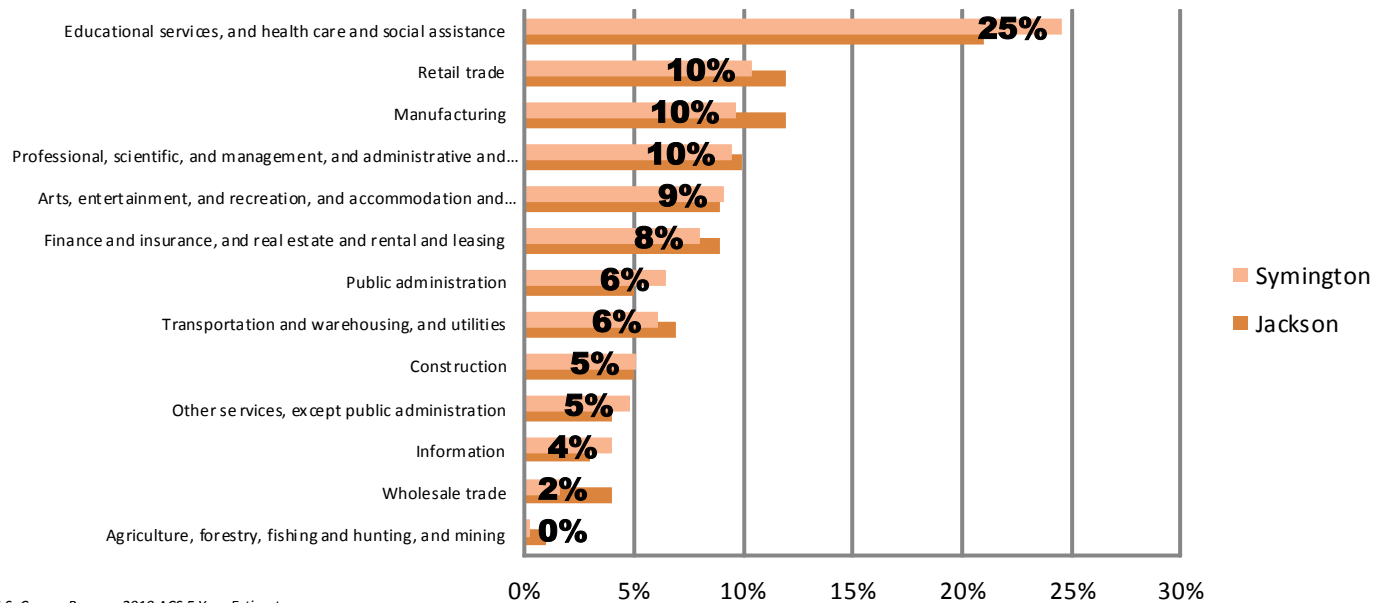
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2010 Poverty Thresholds, Selected Family Types		
Single Individual	Under 65	\$ 11,344
	65 years and Older	\$ 10,458
Single Parent	One Child	\$ 15,030
	Two Children	\$ 17,568
	No Children	\$ 14,602
Two Adults	One Child	\$ 17,552
	Two Children	\$ 22,113
	Three Children	\$ 26,023

Note: The United States determines the official poverty rate using poverty thresholds that are issued each year by the Census Bureau. The thresholds represent the annual amount of cash income minimally required to support families of various sizes. A family is counted as poor if its pretax money income is below its poverty threshold. Money income does not include noncash benefits such as public housing, Medicaid, employer-provided health insurance and food stamps.

Source: National Poverty Center

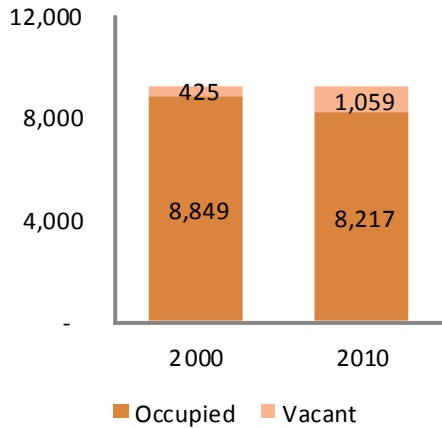
Employment by Industry



U.S. Census Bureau, 2010 ACS 5 Year Estimates

Housing

Vacant Houses



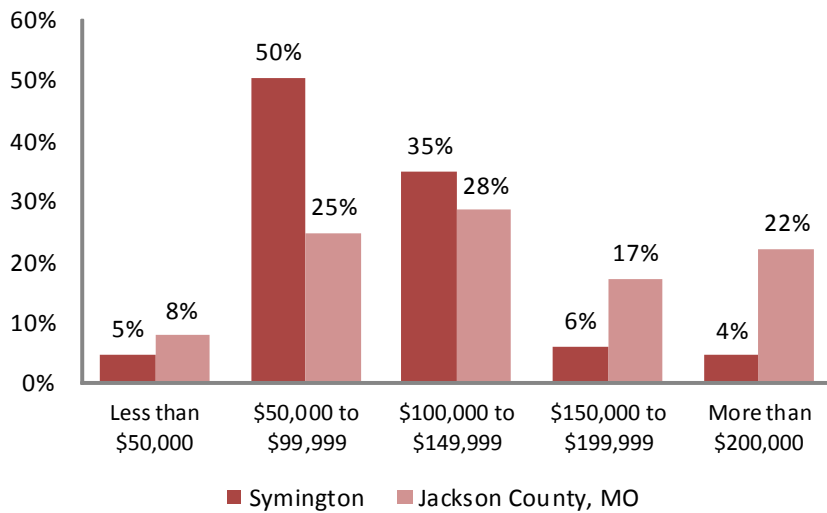
Source: U.S. Census, 2000, 2010

Vacancy Rate

	2000	2010
Symington	4.6%	11.4%
Jackson County	7.6%	12.0%

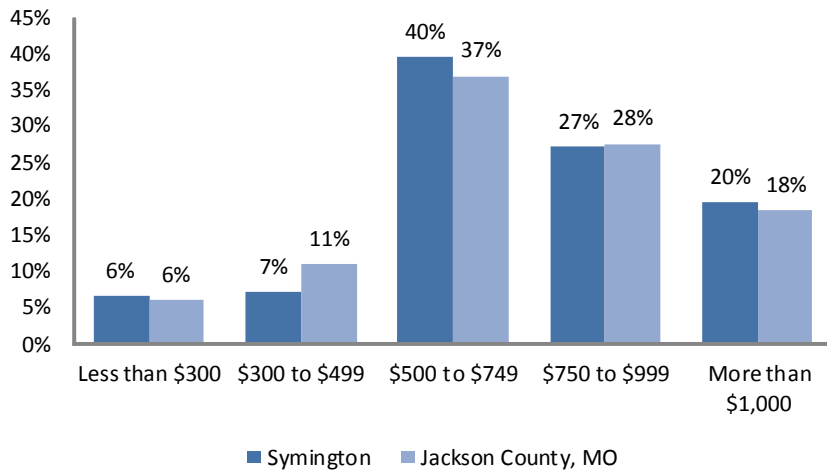
Source: U.S. Census, 2000, 2010

Home Values



Source: U.S. Census, 2010 ACS 5 Year Estimates

Gross Rent



Source: U.S. Census, 2010 ACS 5 Year Estimates

Housing Characteristics	2000 to 2010 Change
Housing Units	0%
Tenure	
Owner	-21%
Renter	23%
Units Moved into Previous Five Years	-30%
Age of Housing Stock	2010 Percent
Less than 5 Years	1%
Less than 10 Years	3%
Less than 20 Years	7%
Less than 30 Years	16%
Less than 40 Years	41%
More than 50 Years	59%

Source: U.S. Census, 2010 ACS 5 Year Estimates

Community Resources

Parks

		Acres
BANNISTER PARK	9800 James A. Reed Road	13.67
CLARK-KETTERMAN ATHLETIC FIELD	E. 107th St. & Skiles Ave.	35.51
DARTER, JERRY, PARK	E. 105th St. & Hillcrest Road	24.11
EWING PARK	E. 107th St. & Ewing Ave.	0.28
INGELS PARK	E. 118th St. & Bristol Ave.	5.70
ISER PARK	E. 112th Terr. & Sycamore Ave.	10.65
Little Blue Trace	Multiple Entrances	1,856
LONGVIEW TRACT	7101 Longview Road	21.54
RUSKIN WAY PARK	E. 114th St. & Ruskin Way	5.13
SYCAMORE PARK	E. 108th St. & Sycamore Ave.	8.60

Source: City of Kansas City Dept. of Parks and Recreation

Food Pantries

COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE COUNCIL	10901 Blue Ridge	Kansas City	MO
ISLAMIC SOCIETY OF GREATER KANSAS CITY	8501 E. 99th Street	Kansas City	MO
NEW LIFE IN CHRIST - HELPING HANDS FOOD PANTRY	12401 Byars Rd.	Grandview	MO

Source: United Way of Greater Kansas City

Health Centers

Crittenton Center Hospital	10918 Elm Av	Kansas City	MO
ReDiscover Mental Health	6801 E 117th St	Kansas City	MO

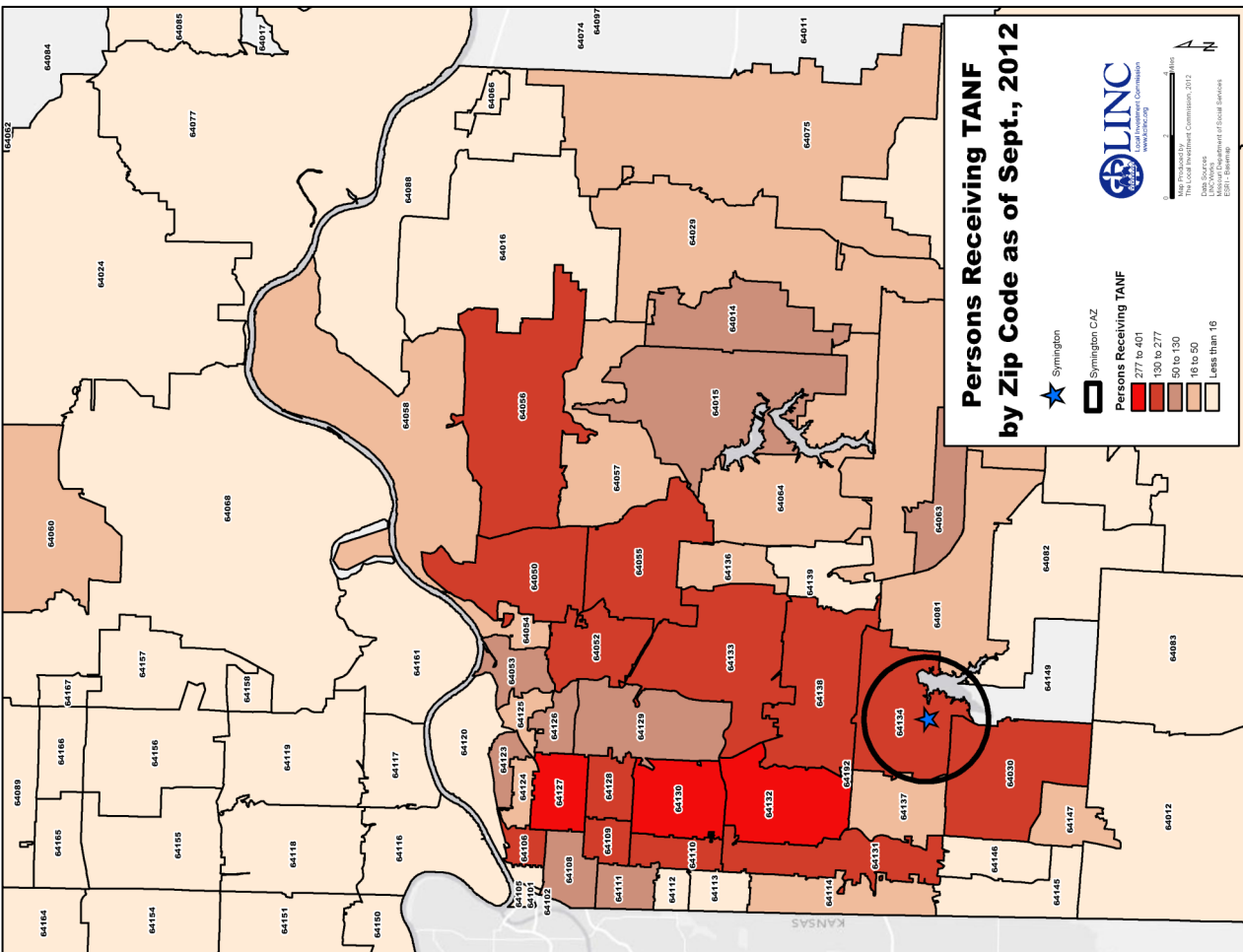
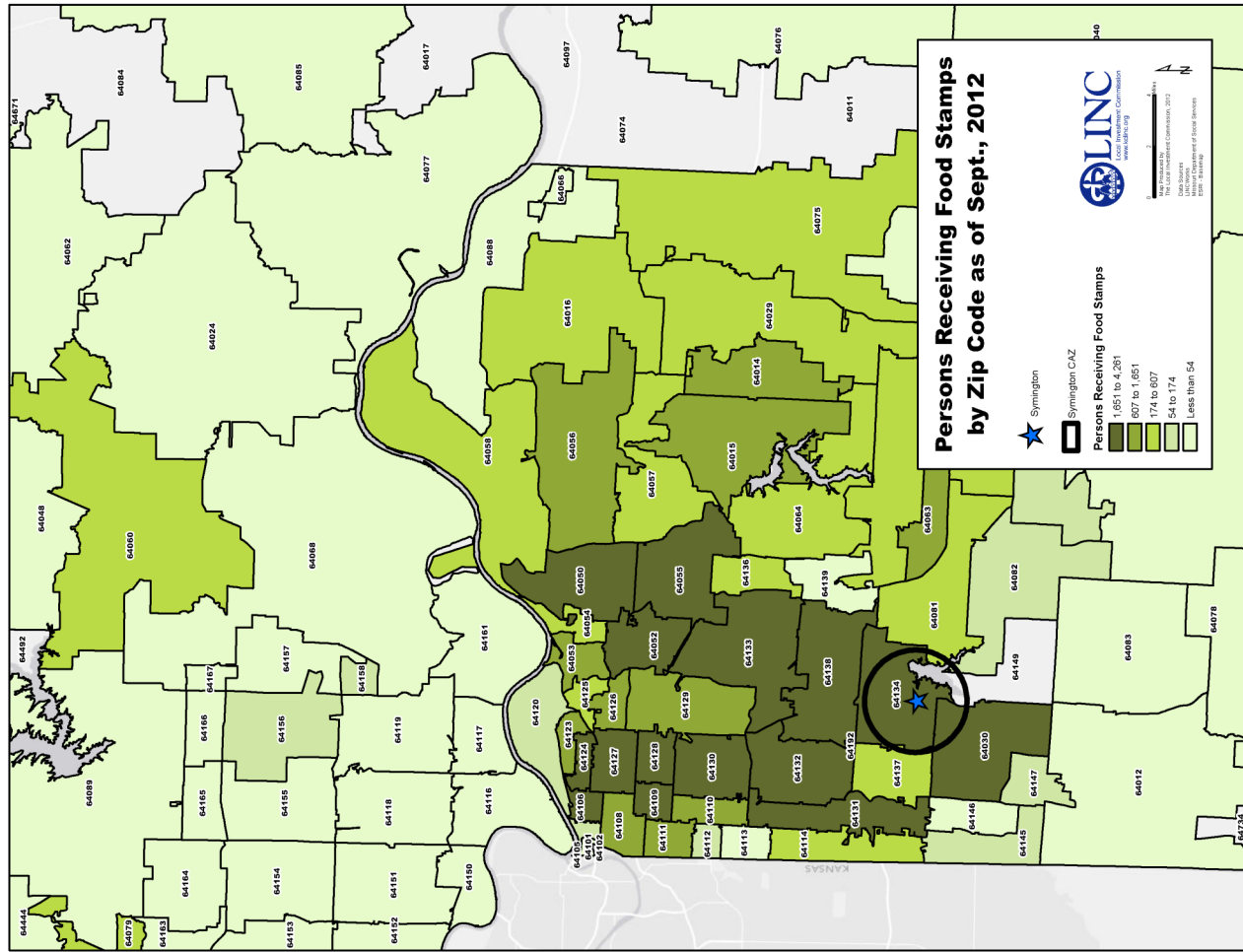
Source: Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services

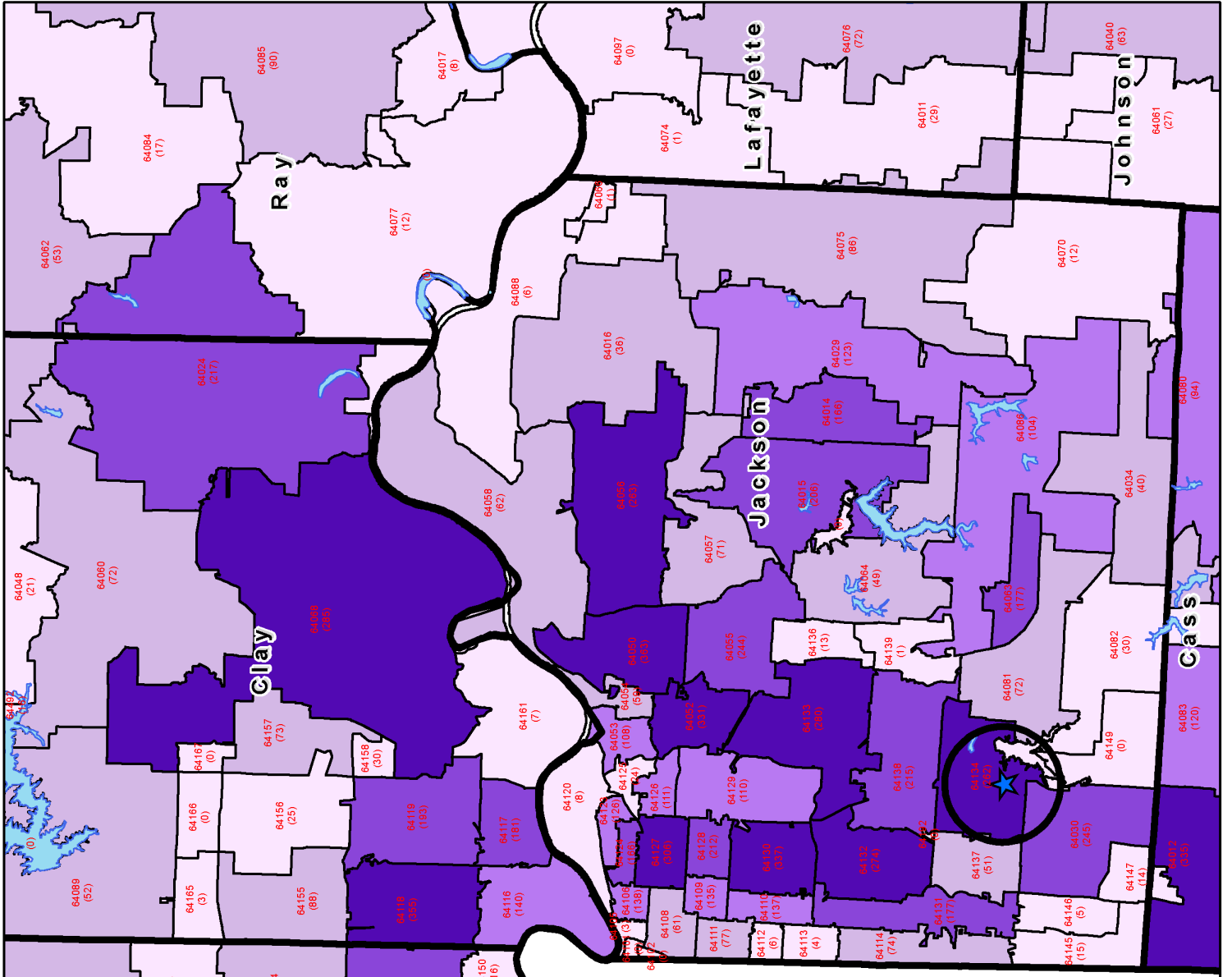
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Churches

Arborknoll Assembly	9701 James A Reed Rd	Kansas City	MO
Ascension Presbyterian Church	11712 Blue Ridge Blvd	Kansas City	MO
Blue Ridge Baptist Temple	10306 Blue Ridge Blvd	Kansas City	MO
Christ Our Redeemer AME Chr	8607 Longview Rd	Kansas City	MO
Christian Life Church	7005 E 102nd St	Kansas City	MO
Community of Christ	12600 Byars Rd.	Grandview	MO
Concord Fortress Of Hope	7710 E 102nd St	Kansas City	MO
Fountain Of Blessings Ministry	11000 Ruskin Way	Kansas City	MO
Fountain Of Life Outreach Ctr	11230 Bristol Ter	Kansas City	MO
Greater Works CME Church	7424 E 107th St	Kansas City	MO
Hickman Mills Church Of Christ	11610 S Us Highway 71	Kansas City	MO
Hickman Mills Community Chrstn	5809 E Red Bridge Rd	Kansas City	MO
House of Refuge Family Worship Center	10816 Hillcrest Rd.	Kansas City	Mo
Jehovah's Witnesses	10000 James A. Reed Rd.	Kansas City	MO
Longview United Methodist Chr	7205 Longview Rd	Kansas City	MO
Makeover Ministries	11116 Blue Ridge Blvd	Kansas City	MO
Memorial Missionary Baptist Church	11424 Hickman Mills Dr.	Kansas City	MO
New Beginnings Ministries	11030 Booth Ave	Kansas City	MO
Ruskin Heights Lutheran Church	10801 Ruskin Way	Kansas City	MO
Ruskin Heights Presbyterian	11000 Ruskin Way	Kansas City	MO
South Kansas City Baptist Chr	10200 James A Reed Rd	Kansas City	MO
St Matthew Apostle Church	8001 Longview Rd	Kansas City	MO
St Timothy Fellowship	6809 Longview Rd	Kansas City	MO
There Is Hope Fellowship Ctr	10801 Ruskin Way	Kansas City	MO
Trinity Bible Church	10816 Hillcrest Rd	Kansas City	MO
Trinity Temple Church - God in Christ	11922 Food Ln	Grandview	MO
United Believers Community Chr South Campus	5600 E 112th Ter.	Kansas City	MO

Source: Yellow Pages





Total CA/N Reports: Northwest Region

Total Reports	Report Counts:	Total region count:	13,918
More than 250	County Boundary	Max Count: Jackson	363 Reports
150 to 250	Rivers	Zip - 64050	
90 to 150	Lakes		
30 to 90	Symington		
Less than 30	Symington CAZ		



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Data Resources

City of Kansas City, Mo.

Jackson County, Mo.

Kansas City Free Health Clinic

Kansas City Parks and Recreation Department

Kansas City Public Schools

Mid-America Regional Council

Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education

Missouri Department of Social Services

Missouri Department of Health and Human Services

United States Census Bureau

United States Department of Housing and Urban Development

United States Department of Labor

United Way of Greater Kansas City

University of Missouri-Kansas City Center for Economic Information

University of Michigan National Poverty Center

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