

Luff

Caring Communities

Data Book March 2013

A review and analysis of the community surrounding the Caring Communities site located at Luff Elementary School in Independence, 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.

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.

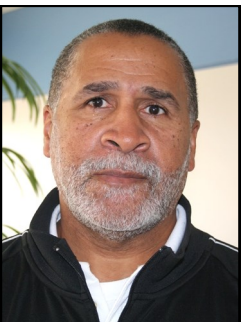
Coalition for Community Schools

www.communityschools.org

About This Book

The Luff Caring Communities Data Book is intended to provide useful information for decision-makers of the Luff 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 Luff Caring Communities Site Coordinator. The book is also available to download for free at www.kclinc.org/luff



Luff Caring Communities

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Community Analysis Zone (CAZ)

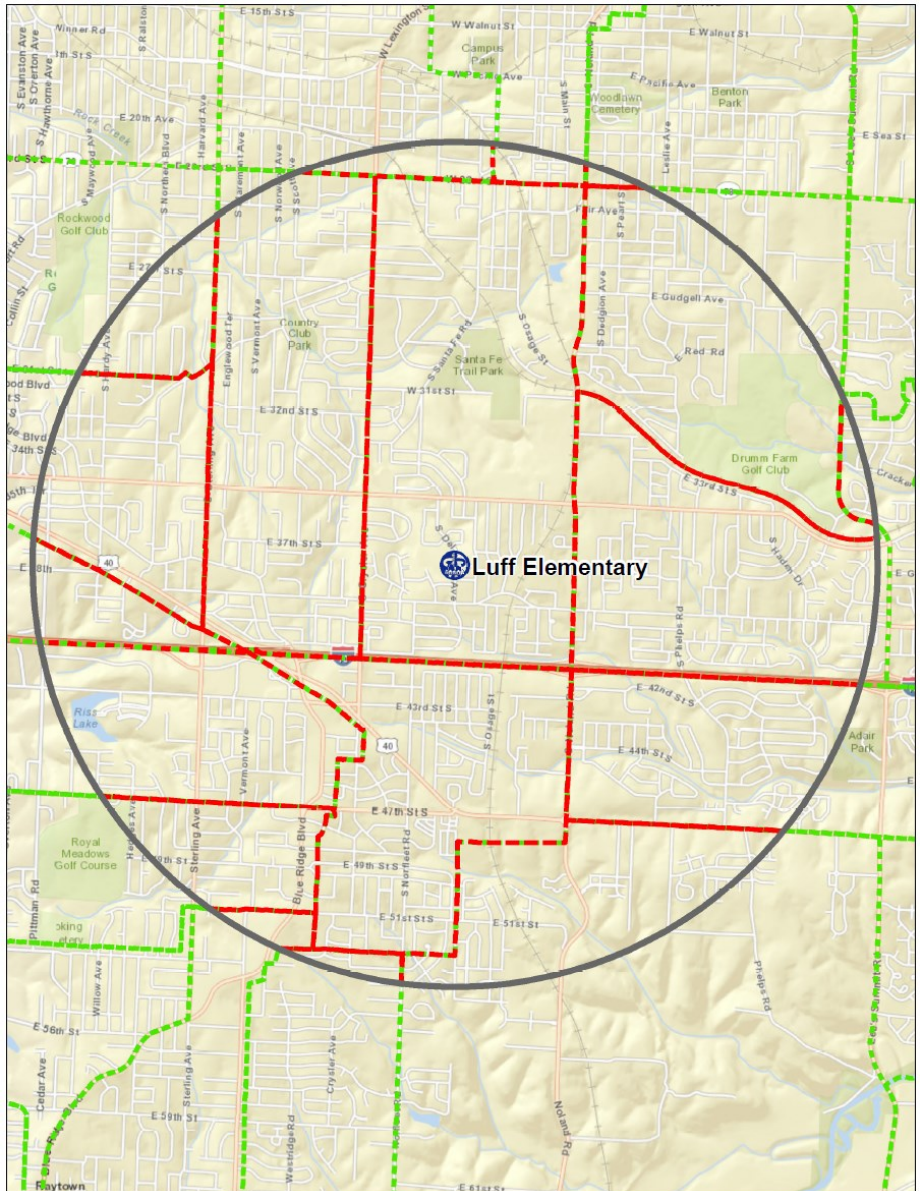
The Community Analysis Zone (CAZ) for the Luff community was established using Luff Elementary School as a reference point and includes the area within a two-mile radius of the school (the black circle in the map at right).

The CAZ overlaps, but is not identical to, the Luff school boundaries. The CAZ allows for analysis of data about residents, neighborhoods and services that, while not necessarily located within the official school boundaries, nevertheless pertains directly to the community served by the Caring Communities site.

For the purpose of this book the boundaries of the Luff CAZ and the “Luff 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 Independence, 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.)

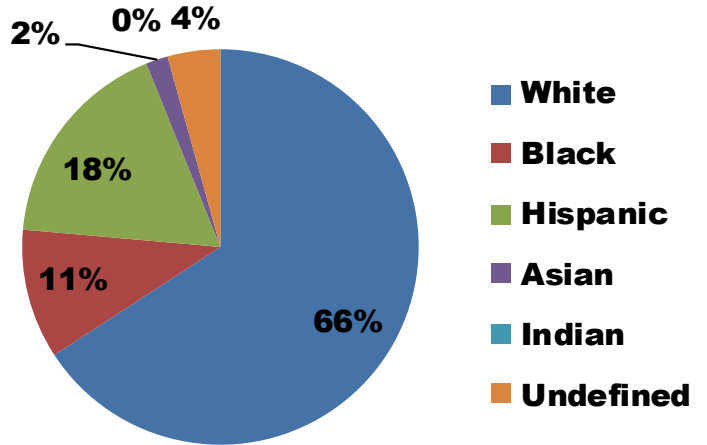


Education

Luff Elementary

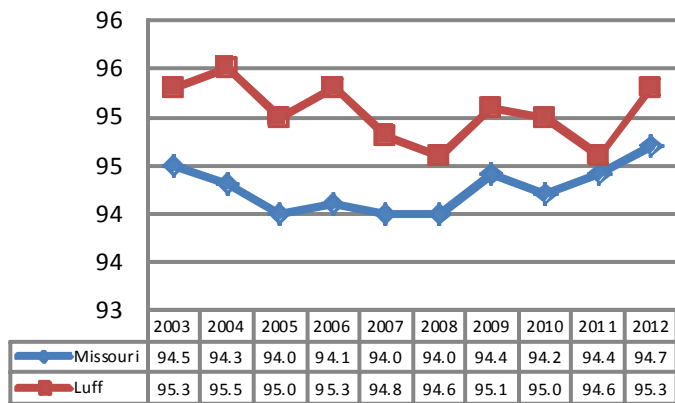
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2012 Student Demographics



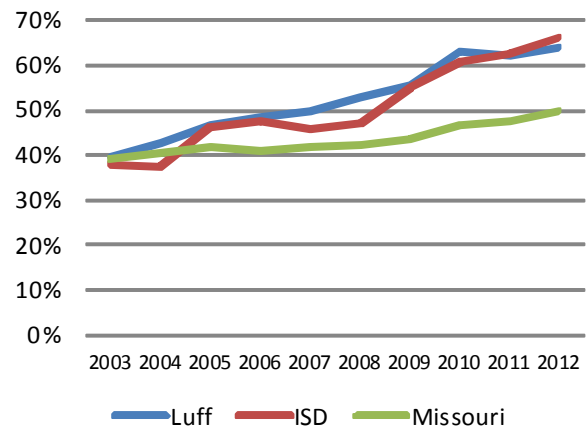
Source: Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education

2012 Student Attendance Rate



Source: Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education

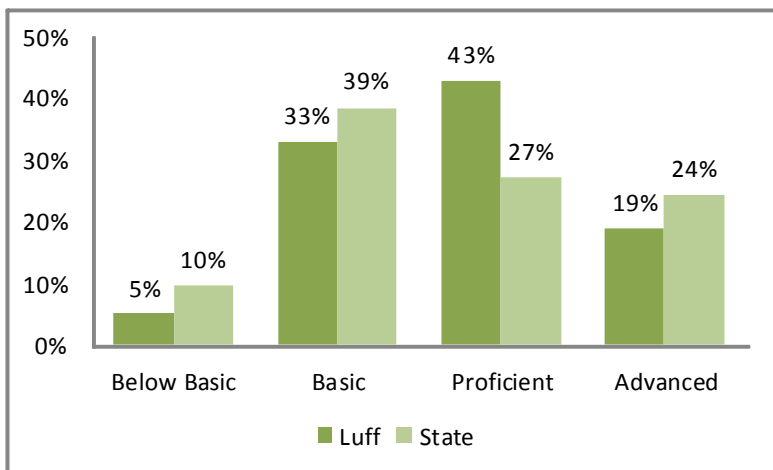
Free/Reduced Lunch



Source: Missouri Department of Secondary and Elementary Education

2012 Missouri Assessment Program (MAP)

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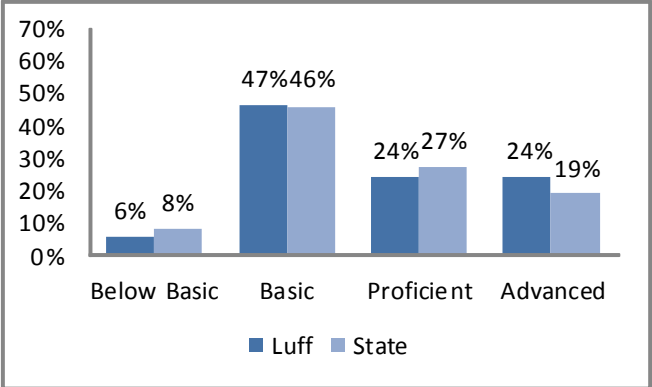


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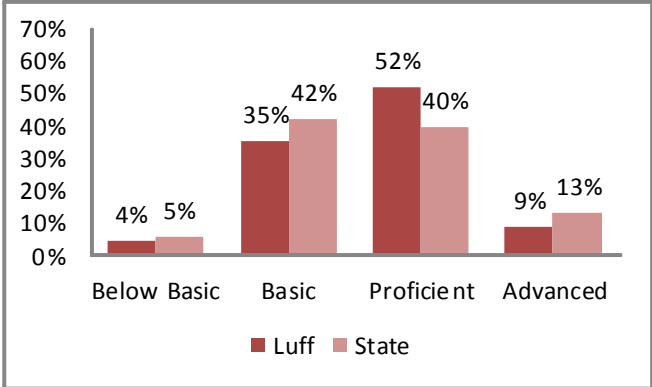
Education

2012 Missouri Assessment Program (MAP), continued

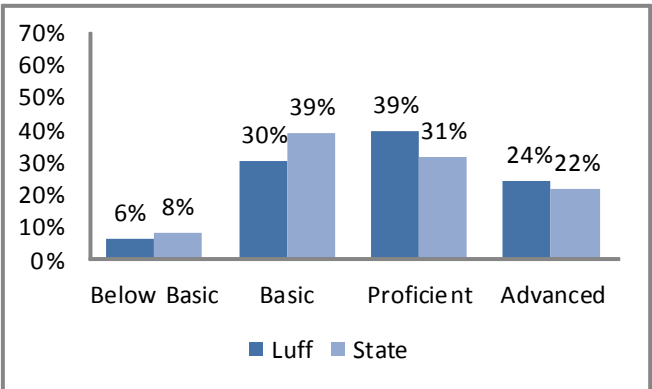
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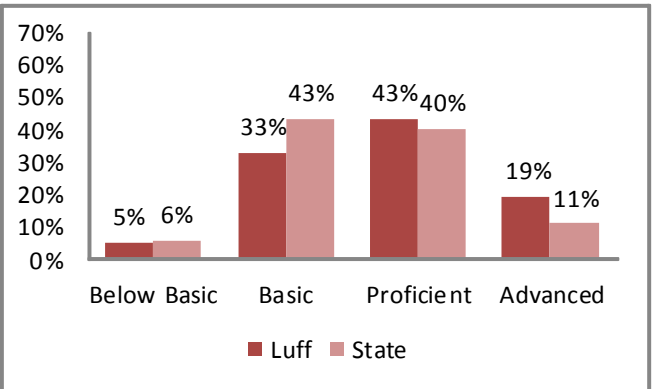
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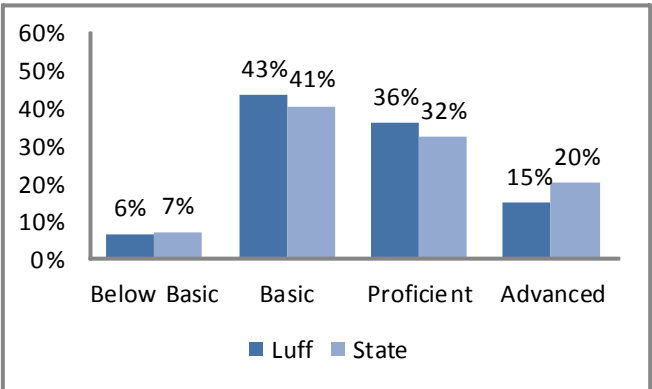
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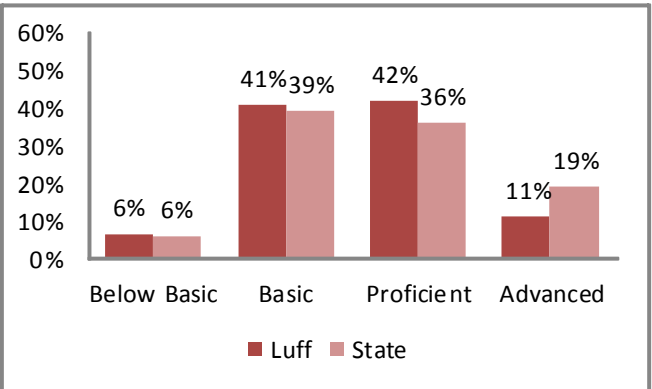
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5th Grade Communication Arts



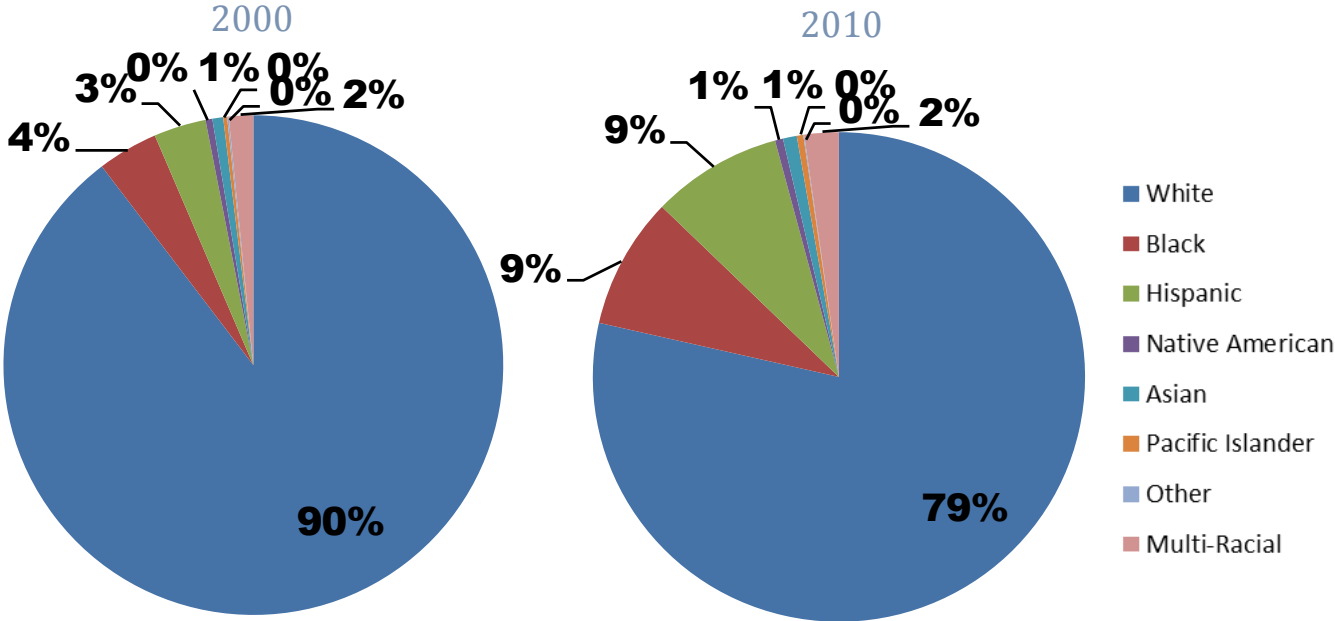
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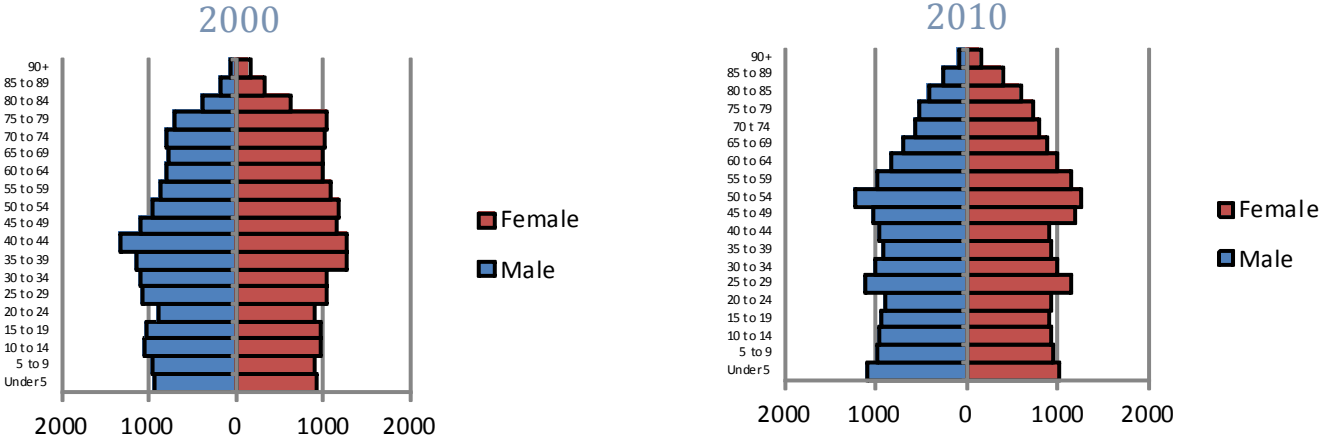
Demographics

Race



Source: U.S. Census Bureau

Age by Sex



Source: U.S. Census Bureau

Family Type with Related Children

	2000	2010	% Change
Total Population	34,014	32,276	-5%
Total Families	9,472	8,478	-10%
Married Families	7,379	5,881	-20%
With Children Under Age 18	2,525	2,077	-18%
Single Father Families	517	721	39%
With Children Under Age 18	306	420	37%
Female Single Parent Families	1,575	1,876	19%
With Children Under Age 18	961	1,180	23%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

Economy

	Luff	Jackson County
Median Income	\$45,566	\$46,252
Unemployment Rate	7.5%	8.8%

Source: U.S. Census

Poverty

	Luff	Jackson County
2000	6.2%	11.9%
2010	11.6%	15.7%

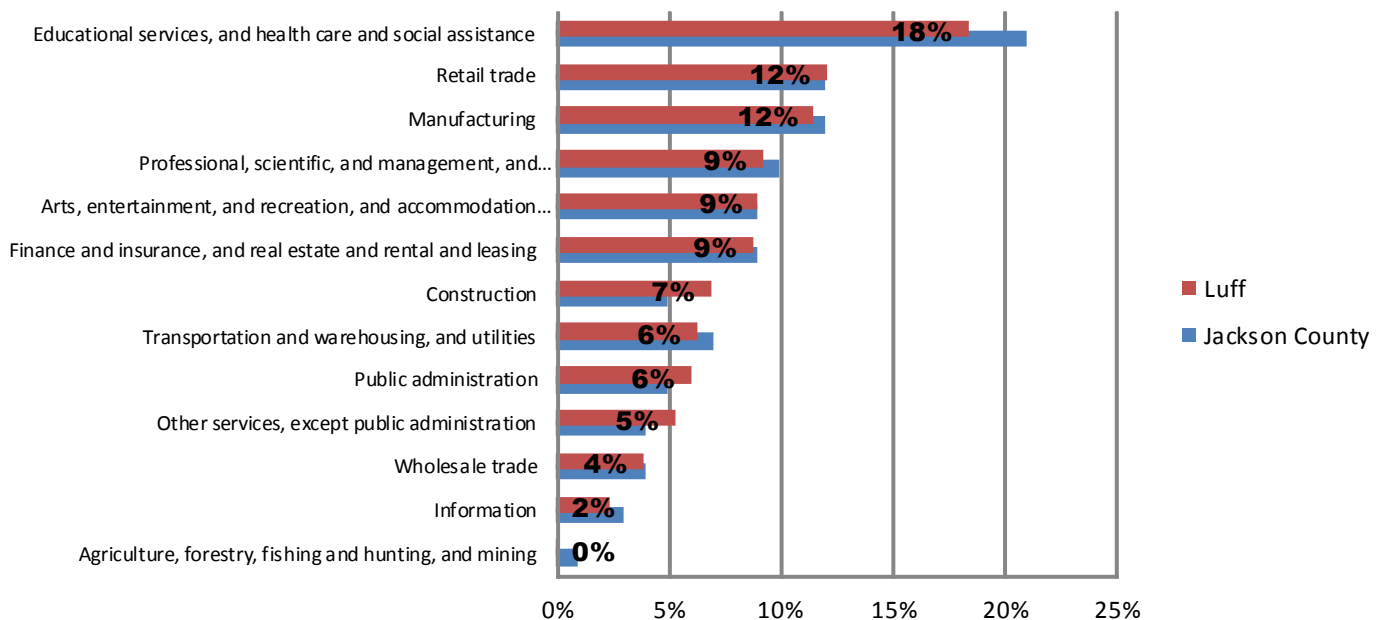
U.S. Census Bureau, 2010 ACS 5 Year Estimates

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

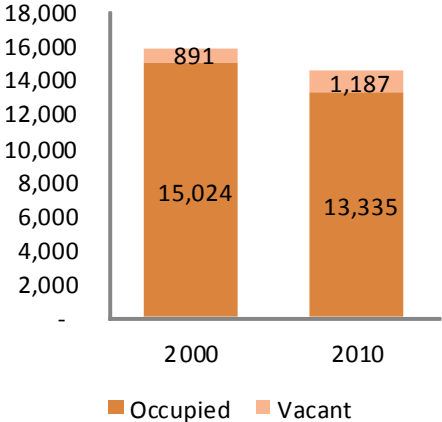
Employment by Industry



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Housing

Vacant Houses



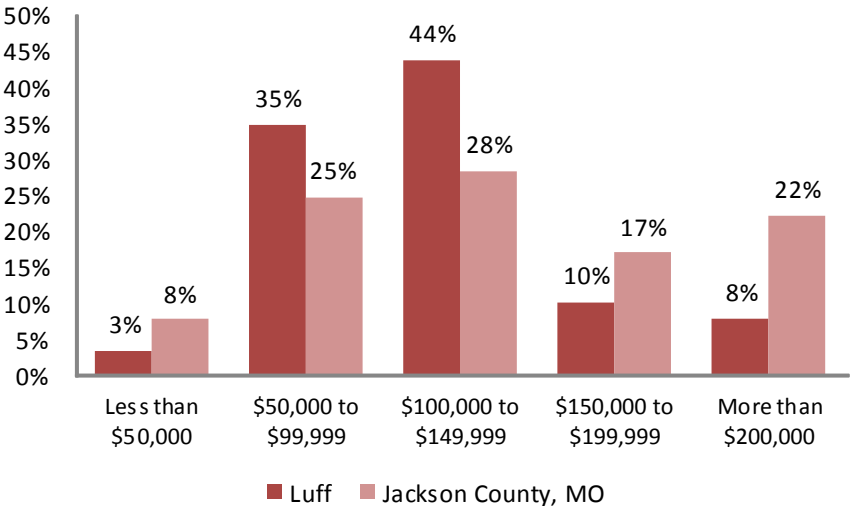
Source: U.S. Census, 2000, 2010

Vacancy Rate

	2000	2010
Luff	5.6%	8.2%
Jackson County	7.6%	12.0%

Source: U.S. Census, 2000, 2010

Home Values

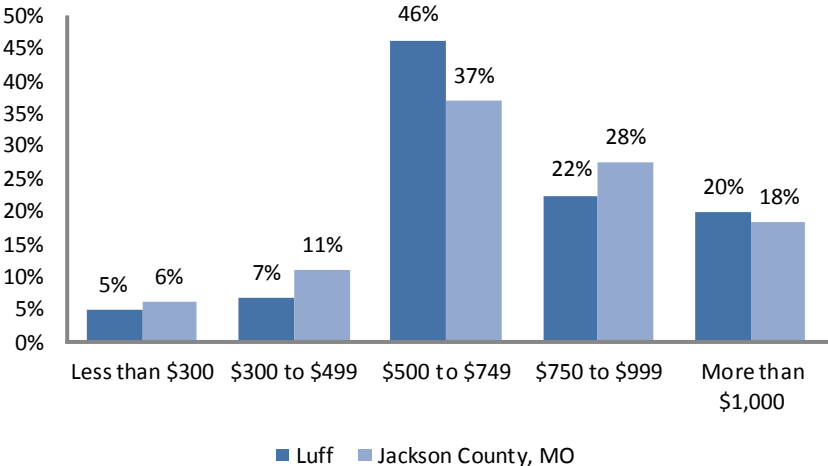


Source: U.S. Census, 2010 ACS 5 Year Estimates

Housing Characteristics	2000 to 2010 Change
Housing Units	-5%
Tenure	
Owner	-11%
Renter	-2%
Units Moved into Previous Five Years	-67%
Age of Housing Stock	2010 Percent
Less than 5 Years	2%
Less than 10 Years	5%
Less than 20 Years	10%
Less than 30 Years	17%
Less than 40 Years	31%
More than 50 Years	69%

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

Gross Rent



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

Community Resources

Parks

				Acres
Cassell Park	10401 E. 31st St.	Independence	MO	4
Country Club Park	2930 S. Norton Ave.	Independence	MO	6
Crysler Stadium	2301 S. Chrysler Ave.	Independence	MO	15
Firehouse Park	11305 E. 35th St. S.	Independence	MO	7
Glendale Park	16010 E. Crackerneck Rd.	Independence	MO	4
Santa Fe Park	2731 S. Santa Fe Rd.	Independence	MO	45

Source: City of Independence Dept. of Parks and Recreation

Food Pantries

BIRCHWOOD MISSION CENTER - FOOD PANTRY	3884 Blue Ridge Blvd	Independence	MO
CENTRAL INDEPENDENCE BAPTIST FOOD PANTRY	112 W. 23rd Street	Independence	MO
COMMUNITY SERVICES LEAGUE - 39TH STREET	14500 E. 39th Street	Independence	MO
IMMANUEL BAPTIST CHURCH - FOOD PANTRY	112 W. 23rd St.	Independence	MO
UNITED SERVICES - JACKSON COUNTY EAST	3675 S. Noland Road, Suite 100	Independence	MO

Source: United Way of Greater Kansas City

Homeless Shelters

MOTHER'S REFUGE	3721 Delridge	Independence	MO
STEPPINGSTONE	5100 Noland Road	Kansas City	MO

Source: United Way of Greater Kansas City

Community Resources

Churches

A Place Of Praise	304 E 23rd St S	Independence	MO
Arise Ministries International	4845 S. Norfleet Rd.	Independence	MO
Ascension Lutheran Church	4900 Blue Ridge Blvd	Kansas City	MO
Barker Temple	11401 E 47th St	Kansas City	MO
Barker Temple Church School	11439 E. 47th St.	Kansas City	MO
Beverly Hills Baptist Church	1229 W 31st St S	Independence	MO
Birchwood Baptist Church	3883 Blue Ridge Blvd	Independence	MO
Blue Ridge Boulevard Christian	3625 Blue Ridge Blvd	Independence	MO
Blue Ridge Boulevard United	5055 Blue Ridge Blvd	Kansas City	MO
Central Assembly Of God	1009 W 23rd St S	Independence	MO
Christian Science Churches	5010 Blue Ridge Blvd.	Kansas City	MO
Christ United Methodist Church	14506 E 39th St S	Independence	MO
Christian Science Reading Room	12020 E 47th St	Kansas City	MO
Church Of Christ	15331 E 39th St S	Independence	MO
Church of Chris - Zion Witness	15008 E. 35th St. S.	Independence	MO
Church of God in Kansas City	3100 S. Crysler Ave.	Independence	MO
Church Of Jesus Christ Of Lds	833 W 30th St S	Independence	MO
Community of Christ	4341 Blue Ridge Blvd.	Kansas City	MO
Community of Christ	3371 Blue Ridge Blvd	Independence	MO
Community of Christ	15006 E. 39th St.	Independence	MO
Community Of Christ	1316 S Osage St	Independence	MO
Community Of Christ	3100 S Crysler Ave	Independence	MO
Community Of Christ	500 E Gudgell St	Independence	MO
Community Or Christ	3371 Blue Ridge Blvd	Independence	MO
Eastpoint Family Church	3923 Pittman Rd.	Kansas City	MO
Eastgate Christian Church	4010 S River Blvd	Independence	MO
Eastside Assembly Of God Chr	3923 Pittman Rd	Kansas City	MO
Faith Cumb Presbyterian Church	4516 S Phelps Rd	Independence	MO
Fourth Church KC	5010 Blue Ridge Blvd	Kansas City	MO
Heartland Districts Office	4240 Blue Ridge Blvd # 700	Kansas City	MO
Hill Cumorah Restoration	4516 S Phelps Rd	Independence	MO
Iglesia Restaurada	1215 W 24th St S	Independence	MO
Immanuel Baptist Church	112 W 23rd St S	Independence	MO
Immanuel Baptist Church	1123 S Liberty St	Independence	MO
Independence Latin American Church	14500 E 39th St.	Independence	MO
In His Name Ministries	304 E. 23rd St.	Independence	MO
Jehovah's Witnesses	2885 S Hardy Ave	Independence	MO
Lifeline Baptist Church	12002 E 47th St	Kansas City	MO
Miracle Temple	11200 E Sheley Rd	Independence	MO

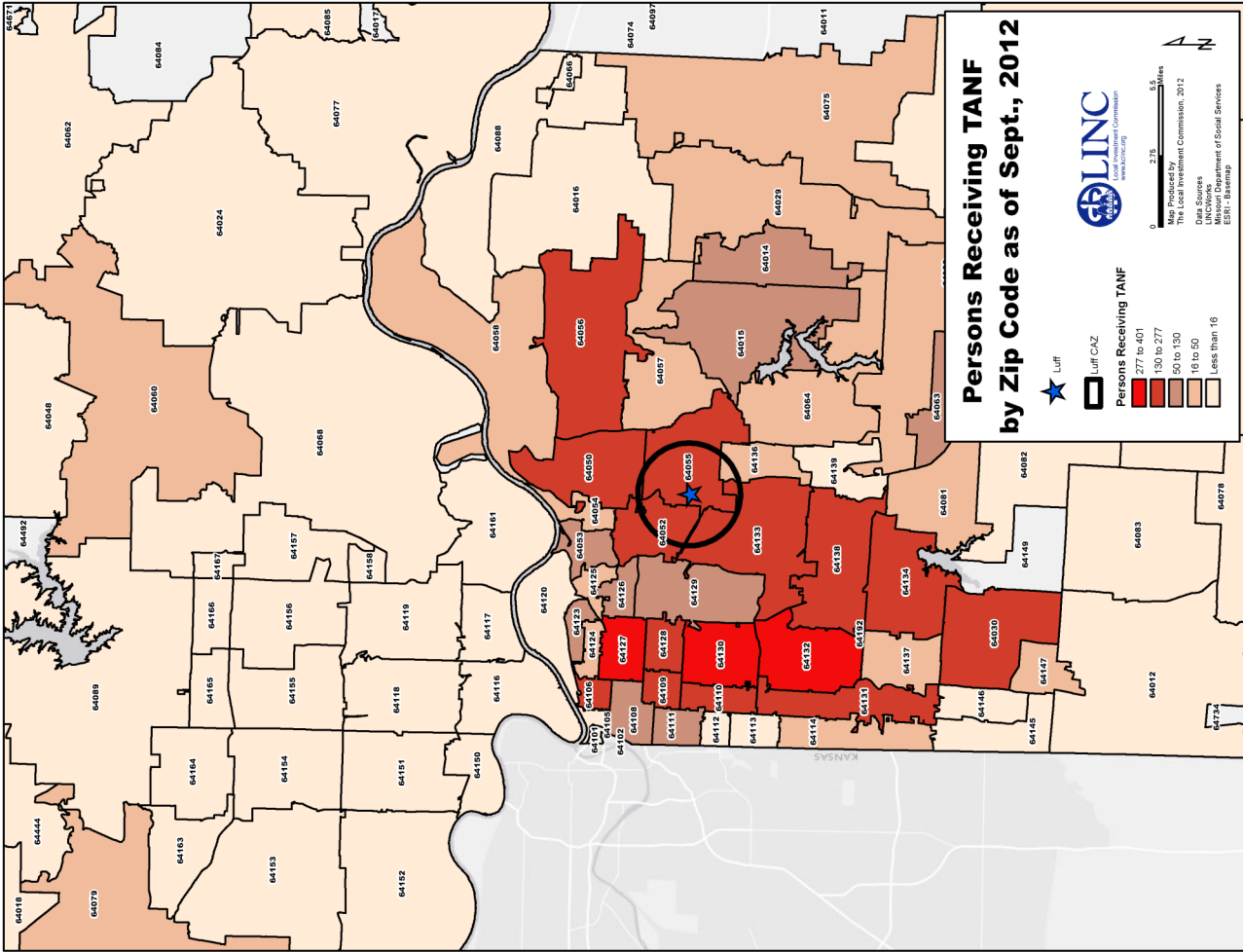
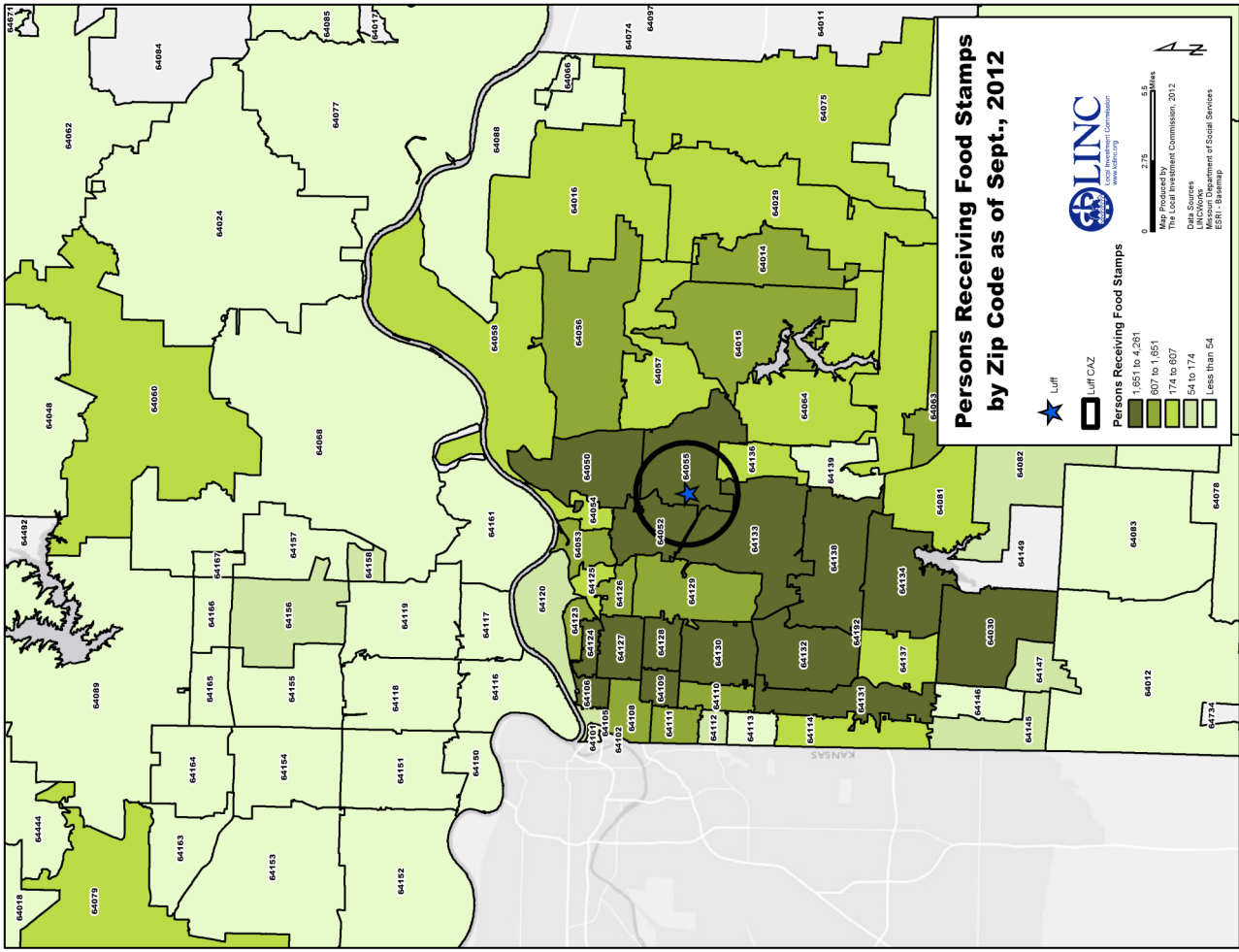
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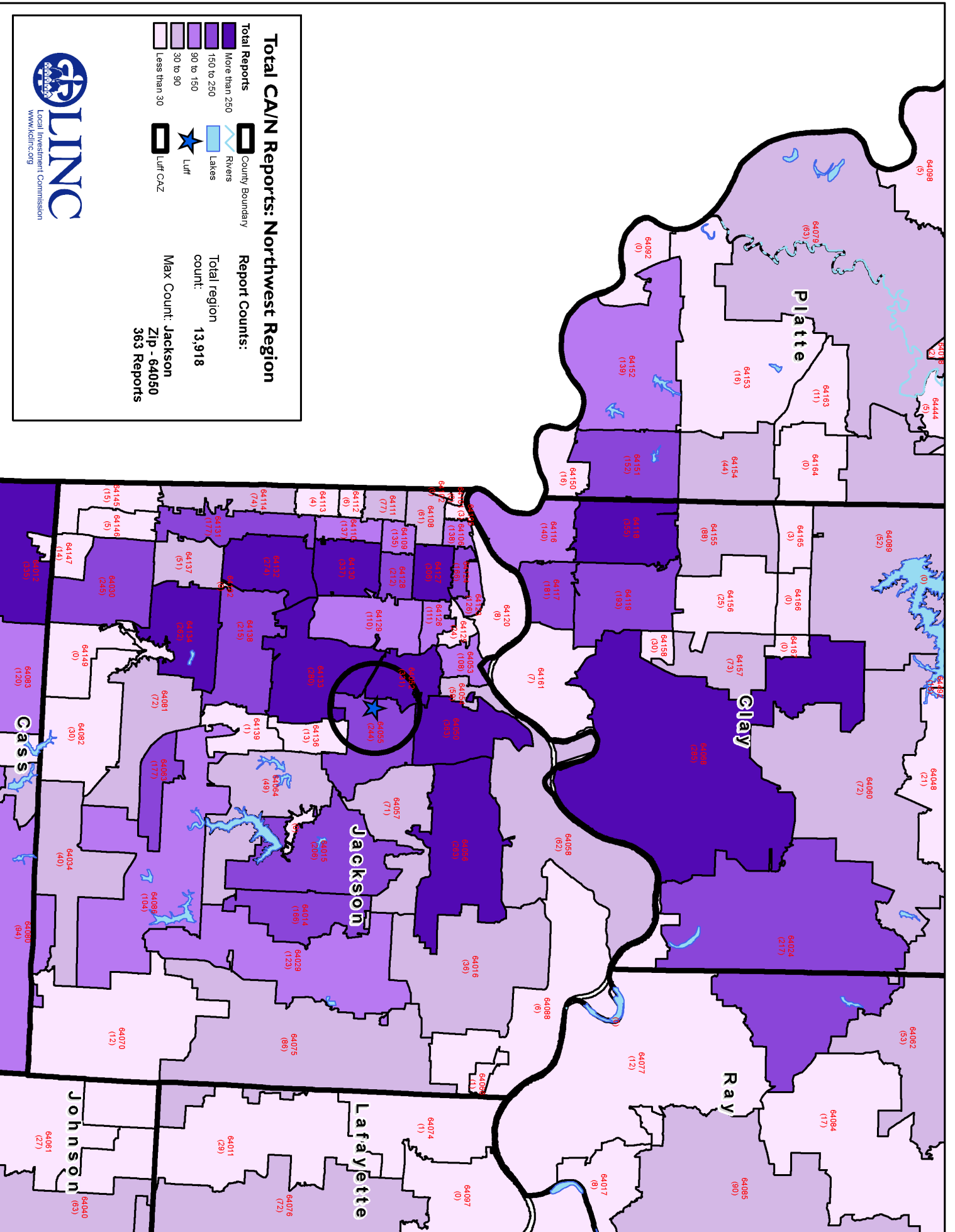
Community Resources

Churches, continued

N R Praise Production	4603 S Norfleet Rd	Independence	MO
Nativity Of Mary Church	10017 E 36th Ter S	Independence	MO
Noland Road Baptist Church	4505 S Noland Rd	Independence	MO
Pebble Creek Assembly Of God	13800 E 51st St	Kansas City	MO
Restoration Church-Lds	801 W 23rd St S	Independence	MO
St Paul United Methodist Chr	3601 S Sterling Ave	Independence	MO
Sterling Acres Baptist Church	11200 E 47th St	Kansas City	MO
Sycamore Hills Baptist Church	15200 E 39th St S	Independence	MO
Tabernacle Of Praise Upc	3405 S Claremont Ave	Independence	MO
Trinity Presbyterian Church	1400 W Sheley Rd	Independence	MO
Unity Church Of Independence	14304 E 39th St S	Independence	MO
Word of Truth Ministries	1525 S. Noland Rd.	Independence	MO
Zion Witness Restoration	15008 E 35th St S	Independence	MO

Source: Yellowpages.com





Total CA/N Reports: Northwest Region

- Total Reports**
- More than 250
 - 150 to 250
 - 90 to 150
 - 30 to 90
 - Less than 30
- Report Counts:**
- County Boundary
 - Rivers
 - Lakes
 - Luff
 - Luff CAZ

Report Counts:

Total region count: **13,918**

Max Count: **Jackson**

Zip - **64050**

363 Reports



Data Resources

City of Independence, Mo.

Jackson County, Mo.

Independence, Mo. Department of Parks and Recreation

Kansas City Free Health Clinic

Mid-America Regional Council

Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education

Missouri Department of Social Services

Missouri Department of Health and Human Services

Independence Public School District

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

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