Mapping Our Community

A Look At Seniors

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Aging in Kansas City: A Community View

This special map booklet focuses on those in our community who are seniors, primarily age 65 and older.

These seniors may be active and working, or infirm and frail. They may own a home or be looking to downsize and relocate.

It all depends.

The maps, which focus primarily on Jackson, Clay and Platte counties, show a surprising degree of variability and, in some instances, provide new confirmation of long-standing trends.

The maps utilize a wealth of data from the U.S. Census Bureau American Community Survey, which is conducted every year to provide up-to-date information about the social and economic needs of communities.

The American Community Survey “shows how people live – our education, housing, jobs and more.”

The maps show areas where seniors live, income levels, and areas with ready access to food and health services. We have also focused, in particular, on grandparents who are taking care of their grandchildren.

The data are based on census tracts, which are small geographic areas, usually with 2,500 to 8,000 persons.

This map booklet is part of a continuing commitment by the Local Investment Commission (LINC) to produce and publish community maps that provide valuable information for those who are interested in the neighborhood, community or broader region.

Other recent map booklets include 2010 Demographic Data by School District: Income, race and ethnicity of school-age children.

LINC is currently working to make maps available online and allow users to produce customized map by selecting data variables and layers.

Additional printed copies are available by contacting the LINC office or by downloading from the LINC website www.kclinc.org/maps where other mapping booklets and projects can be found.

This map booklet reflects the diligent work of LINC staff members Valerie Scott and Andrew Weisberg.
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Change of Senior Population from 2000 to 2010

Data Source:
US Census 2000 and 2010 SF1 Data
Mid-America Regional Council

Senior Population Percent Change
- More than 60% Increase
- 30% to 60%
- 0 to 30%
- No Change
- 0 to -30%
- -30% to -60%
- Loss of More than 60%

0 1 2 4 Miles
Senior Citizens of a Race Other than White

Data Source:
US Census 2010 SF1 Data
Mid-America Regional Council

Seniors Identifying as Minorities
- More than 50%
- 40% to 50%
- 30% to 40%
- 20% to 30%
- 10% to 20%
- Less than 10%
Percent of Age 65 Plus Living Below Poverty

Data Source: US Census 2010 American Community Survey 5 Year Estimates
Percent of Age 65 Plus in the Labor Force

Percent Age 65+ Employed 2009-10

Data Source:
US Census
2010 American Community Survey 5 Year Estimates
Population of Age 65 Plus; Percent of Renters

Percent of Age 65 Plus Renters
- More than 60%
- 45% to 60%
- 30% to 45%
- 15% to 30%
- Less than 15%

Data Source: US Census 2010 American Community Survey 5 Year Estimates

Nursing Home
Subsidized Housing

0 1 2 4 Miles

Population of Age 65 Plus; Percent of Renters

- 0%
- 2%
- 4%
- 12%
- 41 Miles

- 8
- 8

- 8
- 8
Population of Age 65 Plus; Percent With Mortgages

Percentage of Age 65+ With Mortgages
- More than 60%
- 45% to 60%
- 30% to 45%
- 15% to 30%
- Less than 15%

Data Source: US Census 2010 American Community Survey 5 Year Estimates
Percent of Grandparents 60 Years of Age and Older Caring for Their Grandchildren Under 18 Years Old

Grandparents Caring For Grandchildren
- More than 60%
- 45% to 60%
- 30% to 45%
- 15% to 30%
- Less than 15%

Data Source:
US Census 2010 American Community Survey
5 Year Estimates
Mid-America Regional Council
Percent of Grandparents 60 Years of Age and Older Who are Responsible for their Grandchildren and are Living in Poverty

Data Source:
US Census 2010 American Community Survey 5 Year Estimates
Mid-America Regional Council

Grandparents Living In Poverty
- More than 60%
- 45% to 60%
- 30% to 45%
- 15% to 30%
- Less than 15%
Percent of Grandparents 60 Years and Older Who are in the Labor Force and Caring for Their Grandchildren

Grandparents in Labor Force
- More than 60%
- 45% to 60%
- 30% to 45%
- 15% to 30%
- Less than 15%

Data Source:
US Census 2010 American Community Survey 5 Year Estimates
Mid-America Regional Council

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Percent of Grandparents 60 Years of Age and Older Who are Responsible for their Grandchildren and are Living in Owner Occupied Housing

Grandparents Living in Owner Occupied Housing
- More than 60%
- 45% to 60%
- 30% to 45%
- 15% to 30%
- Less than 15%

Data Source:
US Census 2010 American Community Survey 5 Year Estimates
Mid-America Regional Council
Age 65 Plus and Access to Health Care

Count of Population
Age 65 Plus by Census Tract
- 888+
- 552 - 888
- 350 - 552
- 183 - 350
- 0 - 183

Data Source:
US Census - 2010 American Community Survey
5 Year Estimates
Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services
Mid-America Regional Council
Age 65 Plus and Access to Day and Evening Activity Locations

Count of Population Age 65 Plus by Census Tract
- 888+
- 552 - 888
- 350 - 552
- 183 - 350
- 0 - 183

Legend:
- LINC Caring Communities Site
- Church, Synagogue, Mosque, Temple, etc...
- Adult Day Care
- Community Center
- Library

Data Source:
US Census - 2010 American Community Survey 5 Year Estimates
Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services
Kansas City Missouri Parks and Recreation