

Kansas now ranks 9th in the nation for rates of infants exclusively breastfeeding at 6 months.

If 90% of Kansas babies breastfed exclusively for six months, each year **Kansas** would save...





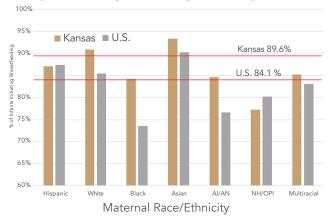


(Source: Breastfeeding Saves Lives Calculator, www.usbreastfeeding.org/saving-calc, July 2021)



Not all families have the same choices

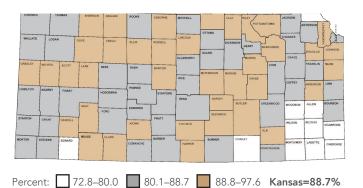
RACIAL AND ETHNIC INEQUITIES IN BREASTFEEDING INITIATION RATES



Abbreviations: Al/AN = American Indian/Alaska Native; NH/OPI = Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander

(Source: Chiang, K., Li, R., Anstey, E., et al., Racial and Ethnic Disparities in Breastfeeding Initiation — United States, 2019. MMWR Morb Mortal Wkly Rep 2021;70:1-6.)

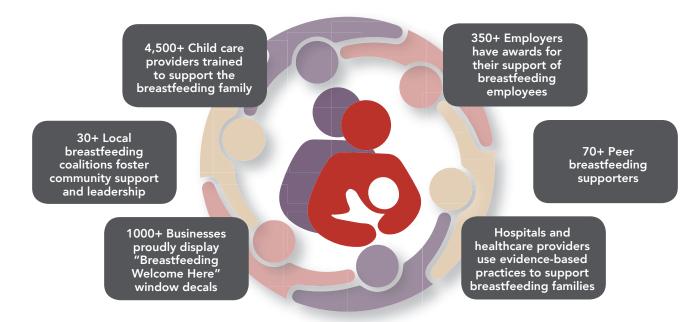
BREASTFEEDING INITIATION BY COUNTY OF RESIDENCE IN KANSAS 2017-2019*



*Missing/unknown breastfeeding status and infants that died shortly after birth were excluded.

(Source: Kansas Department of Health and Environment. Bureau of Epidemiology and Public Health Informatics. Birth Certificate Data (Resident))

What allows some families to be able to choose to breastfeed?



KANSAS RANKS 8TH IN NATION!

51.5% of babies are born in baby-friendly hospitals compared to 29.1% nationally



(Source: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, Division of Nutrition, Physical Activity, and Obesity. Data, Trend and Maps [online]. [accessed Mar 27, 2021]. URL: https://www.cdc.gov/nccdphp/dnpao/data-trends-maps/index.html.)



