



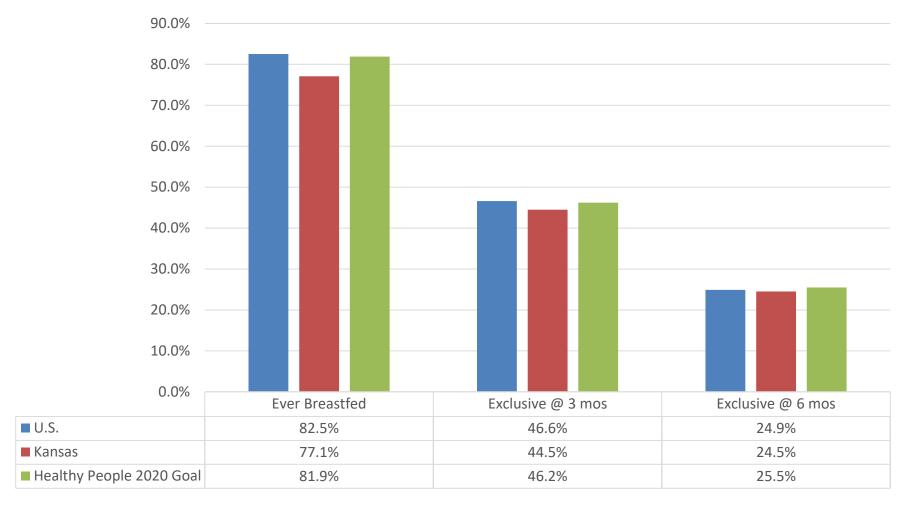
## Changing a Culture:

A Multifaceted, Cross-Sector Approach to Breastfeeding Support in Kansas



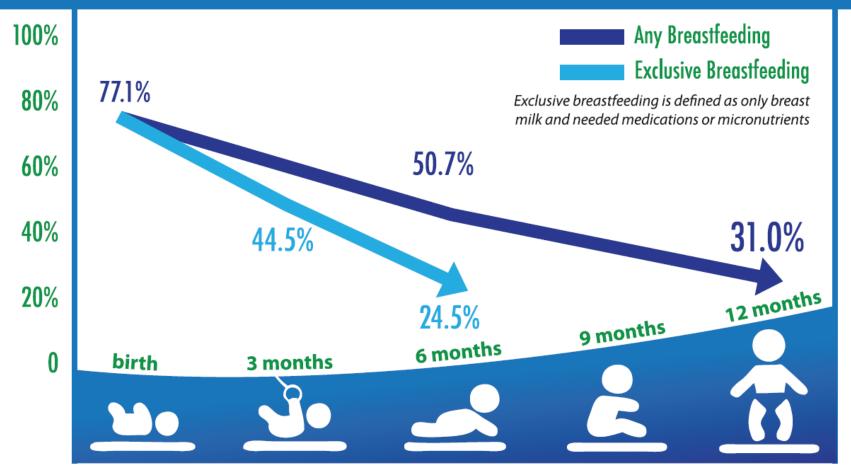
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#### Where Do We Stand?





#### PERCENTAGE OF BABIES IN KANSAS BREASTFEEDING DURING THE FIRST YEAR

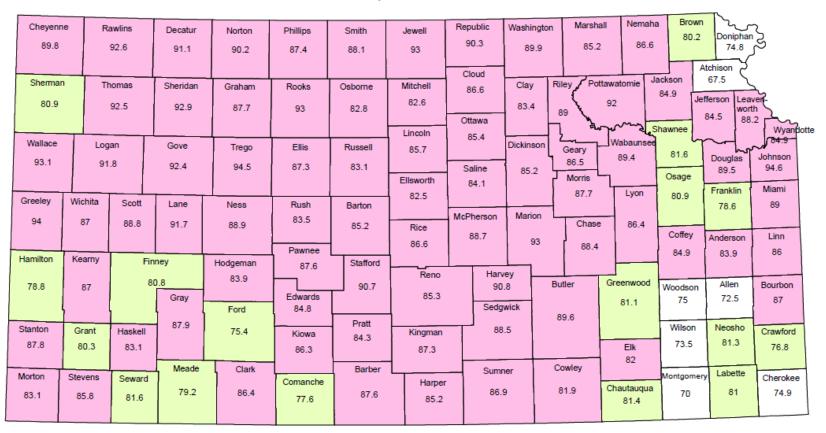


Source: CDC's National Immunization Survey, babies born in 2014



#### Where you live matters

## Percent of Live Births by Initiation of Breastfeeding\* by County of Residence Kansas, 2014-2016

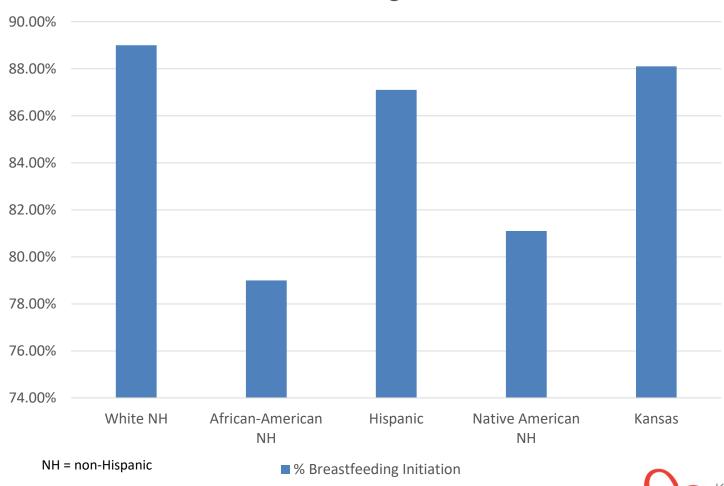


**Percent** 67.5 - 75.0 75.1 - 81.8 81.9 - 94.6

Kansas = 87.2% Healthy People 2020 Target = 81.9%

#### Race & Ethnicity Matters





If 90% of babies in Kansas were breastfed according to medical recommendations...



#### It would -

- Prevent 23 maternal deaths
- Prevent 6 infant deaths
- Save of \$156 Million per year



What would a "Breastfeeding Utopia" look like?



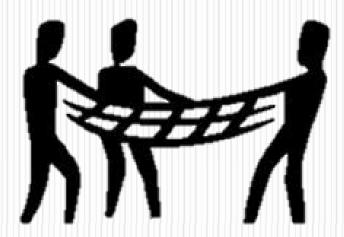






## Overcoming the Barriers

## Weaving a net of support



## Partners











- Title V Maternal and Child Health Services Program
- Nutrition and WIC Services



University of Kansas School of Medicine-Wichita



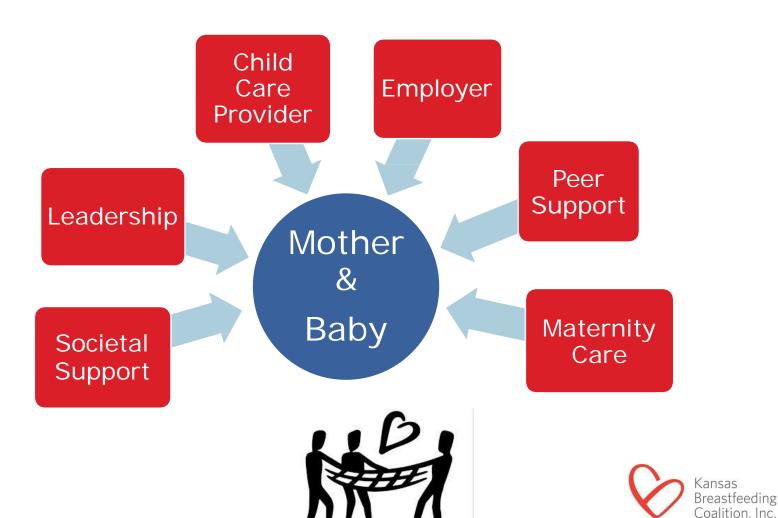




- Title V National Performance Measure 4: (A)
   Percent of infants who are ever breastfed and (B) Percent of infants breastfed exclusively through 6 months.
- Title V Priority 4: Empowering families to make educated choices about nutrition.
- Title V Priority 6: Professionals have the knowledge and skills to address the needs of maternal and child health populations.
- Title V Priority 8: Information is available to support informed health decisions and choices.



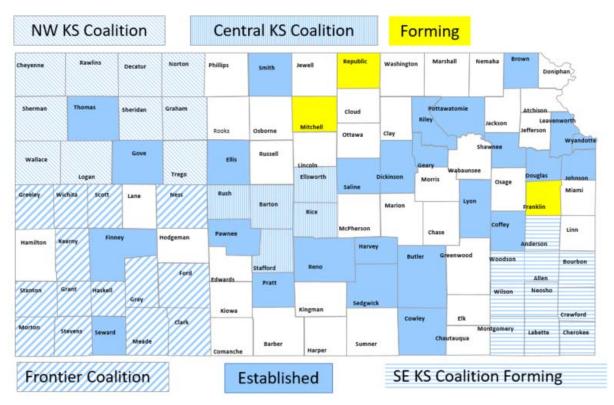
# Communities Supporting Breastfeeding Designation



## Criteria:

#### Leadership

### A local breastfeeding coalition



- Quarterly conference calls
- Start-up meeting facilitation
- "Tools for Coalitions" webpage with resources
   <a href="http://ksbreastfeeding.org/tools-for-coalitions/">http://ksbreastfeeding.org/tools-for-coalitions/</a>
- Annual conference



## Leadership





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## KSBreastfeeding.org



#### Criteria:

#### Peer breastfeeding support group

60+ La Leche League Leaders in 20 communities

Peer Support

- "How to Start a Breastfeeding Support Group" KS TRAIN course# 1047630 (free)
- Facebook Support models
- 36 WIC Breastfeeding Peer Counselors in
   40 counties







# Criteria: Community hospital(s) designated as *High 5 for Mom & B*aby or Baby-Friendly ® USA

Kansas "High 5 for Mom & Baby\*"

Maternity Care

- 62 out of 69 maternity care hospitals enrolled
- 29 recognized as "High 5"hospitals



www.High5Kansas.org

\* Administered by the United Methodist Health Ministry Fund, Hutchinson KS



Criteria: 1 business for every 1000 community citizens or 25 (whichever is lesser) participate in the "Breastfeeding Welcome Here" program

700+ businesses enrolled



Societal Support

http://ksbreastfeeding.org/cause/breastfeeding-welcome-here/



Criteria: 1 business for every 5000 community citizens or 10 (whichever is lesser) receive a Breastfeeding Employer Support Award

200+ Award-winner employers!





- Presentations to employers
- Awards for employers
- "Return to Work" class outline
- Direct consulting with businesses
   KansasBusinessCase.com



Criteria: A minimum of 20 child care providers in the community completing the KBC's *How to Support the Breastfeeding Mother and Family* course

3,000+ child care providers trained!



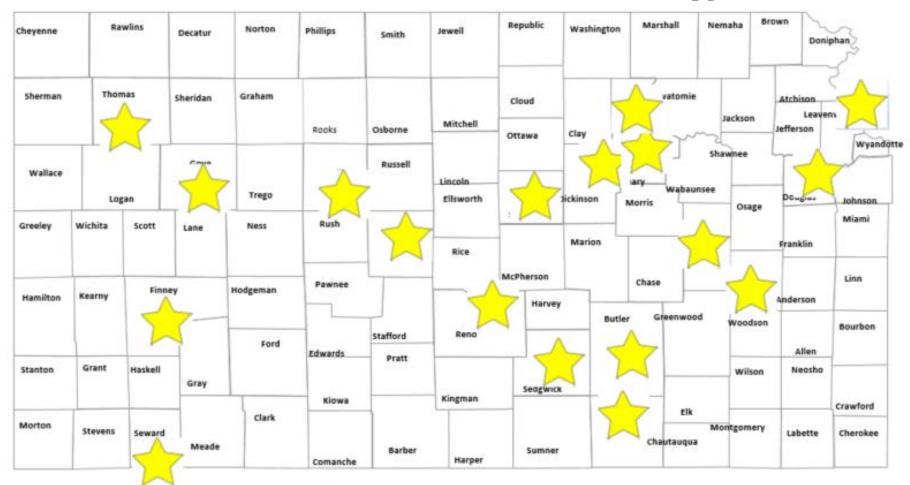


#### Partners:

- Kansas Child Care Training Opportunities
- Child Care Aware ® of Kansas



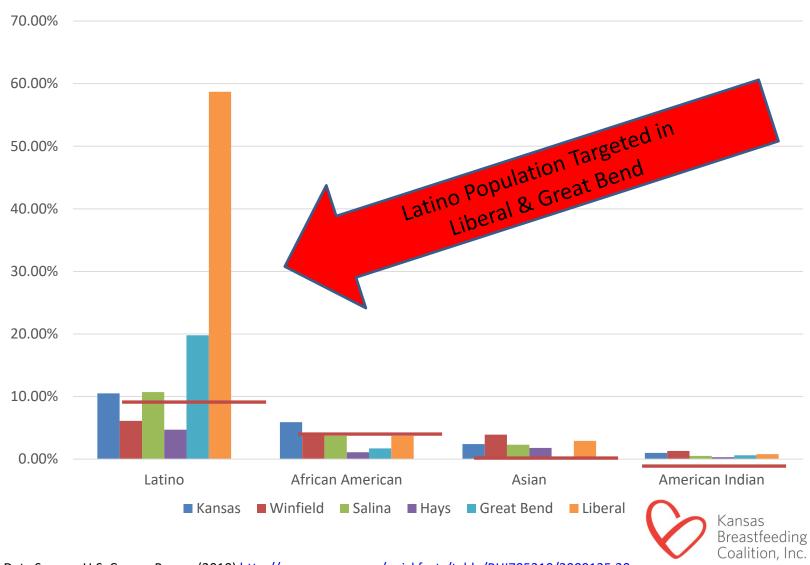
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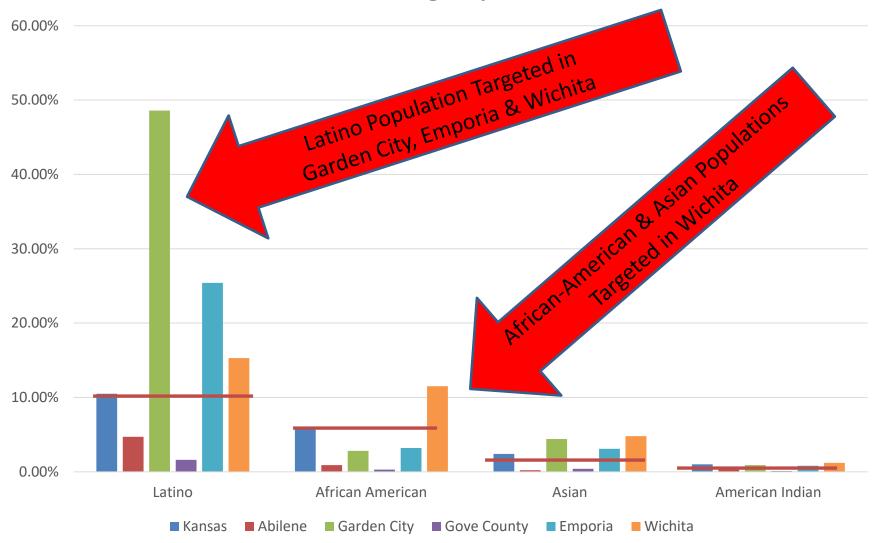


18 CBS Designated

#### Racial Demographics – Year 1 (Pilot)

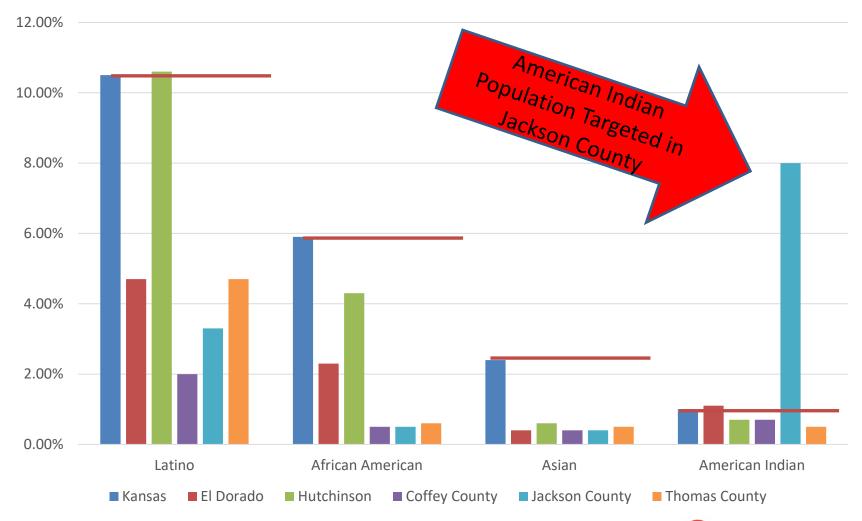


#### Racial Demographics – Year 2





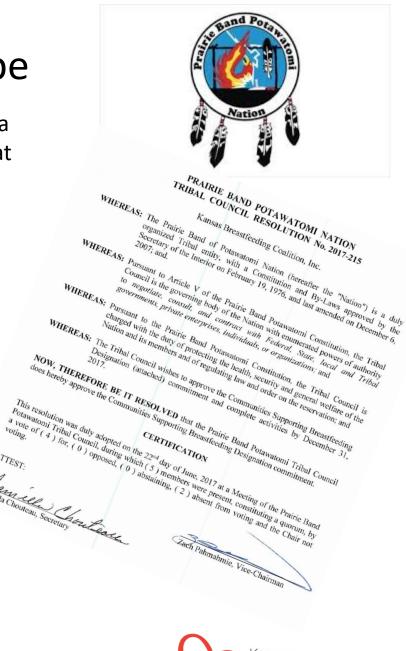
#### Racial Demographics – Year 3





#### Prairie Band Potawatomi Tribe

- Convene a breastfeeding committee comprised of a minimum of three (3) individuals from the Tribe that will meet at least once every three months for the purposes of supporting and promoting breastfeeding within the Tribe
- Display "Breastfeeding Welcome Here" window clings on all Tribal buildings. KBC will insert Potawatomi language if desired.
- Adopt a workplace lactation support policy for all Tribal employees
- Health Center staff that treats pregnant women, mothers and infants will complete 2-hr. on-site breastfeeding training provided by the Kansas Breastfeeding Coalition (KBC)
- Child Care Center staff will complete a 2-hr. on-site training on how to support breastfeeding families provided by the Kansas Breastfeeding Coalition (KBC)
- Will support a breastfeeding support group on the reservation with a trained peer counselor









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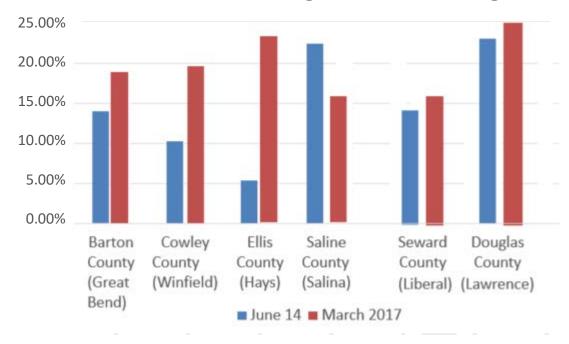


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## Impact of Community Supporting Breastfeeding: (WIC Data)

Exclusive Breastfeeding at 6 Months of Age









#### **Innovation Station**

**Sharing Best Practices in Maternal & Child Health** 

#### Communities Supporting Breastfeeding

Location: Kansas

Date Submitted: 5/2016

Category: Emerging Practice

#### BACKGROUND

The Kansas Breastfeeding Coalition (KBC) asked the question - What would a breastfeeding "utopia" look like? What would mothers and babies experience there? What would they see and hear? Would breastfeeding rates be higher in communities were multiple breastfeeding programs were in place, all working synergistically to weave a net of breastfeeding support for all families?

It turns out the Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE), Bureau of Family Health, responsible for Title V, WIC and child care provider licensing was interested in these questions as well and more importantly, the answers. The resulting conversations and meetings between KDHE and the KBC formed the basis for the Communities Supporting Breastfeeding (CSB) designation to

#### TITLE V/MCH BLOCK GRANT MEASURES ADDRESSED

#04: A) Percent of infants who are ever breastfed and B) Percent of infants breastfed exclusively through 6 months



"A Community Supporting Breastfeeding" Designation Criteria





## Successes and Lessons Learned



#### Successes -

Creating leaders (LCCs)

Builds/revitalizes local coalitions

Impact on government officials

(proclamation)





#### Lessons Learned -

- Not an individual's project
- Businesses were the toughest criteria





#### Going Forward...



- Any community can achieve the CSB designation (4 have already!)
- Looking into working with other Tribes in KS and African-American communities within KC and Wichita
- Continued support of the 6 components of the CSB criteria



#### Need more info?

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