



Healthy People Build Strong Communities

College Degree | Adult

Definition | Percent of people with a bachelor's degree or higher.

Importance | The relationship between higher education and improved health outcomes is well known, with years of formal education correlating strongly with improved work and economic opportunities, reduced psychosocial stress, and healthier lifestyles.¹

Where are we | In 2010 in Douglas County, 49.9% had a bachelor's degree or higher. The Douglas County percentage was higher than the state of Kansas and U.S in all years from 2007 to 2010.

Health Disparities | Among adults in Douglas County, 2006 - 2010:

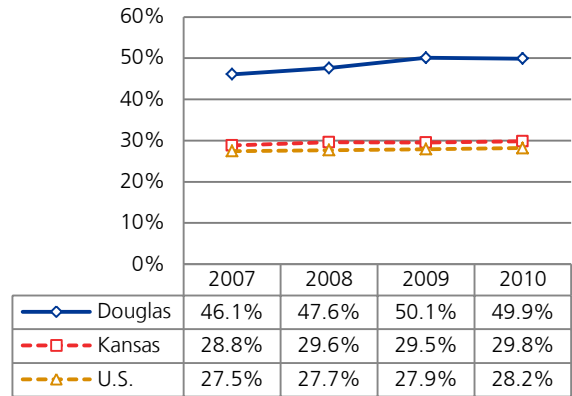
- Individuals in the age group 35 to 44 were more likely to have bachelor's degree or higher.
- Males were slightly more likely than females to have a bachelor's degree or higher.

Healthy People 2020 Goal | Not available

Additional Information | The college experience develops cognitive skills, and allows learning about a wide range of subjects, people, cultures, and communities. Having a degree also opens up career opportunities in a variety of fields.²

Trend Analysis

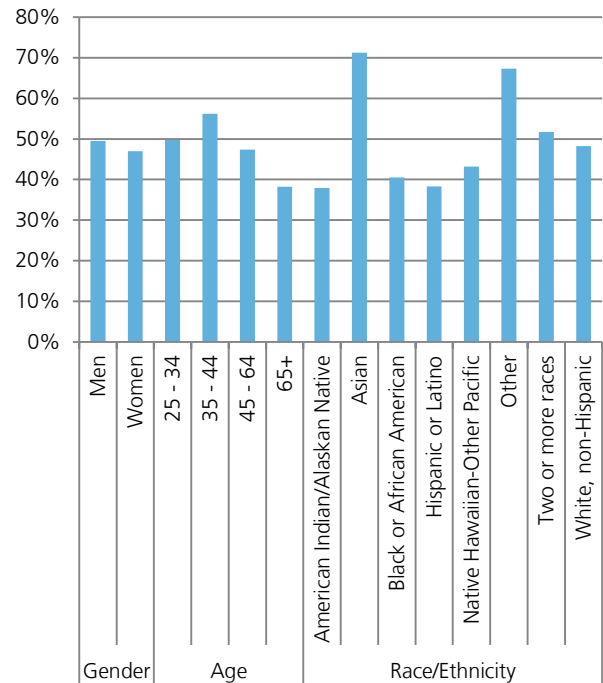
Percent of people with a bachelor's degree or higher³



Disparity Analysis

Percent of people with a bachelor's degree or higher¹

Douglas County, 2006 - 2010



¹Kansas Health Matters

²County Health Rankings

³American Community Survey