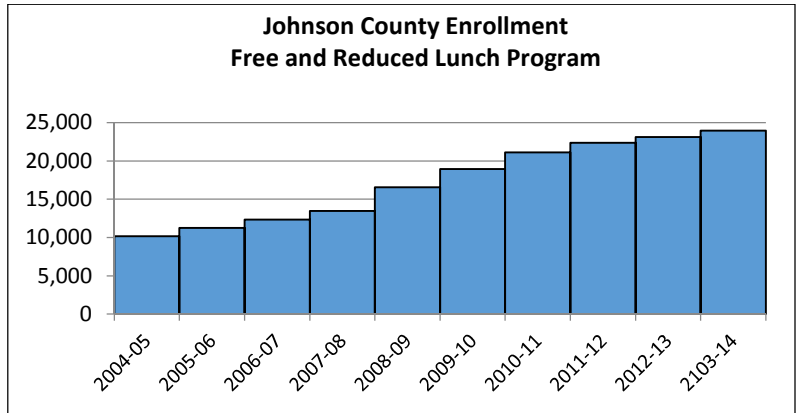




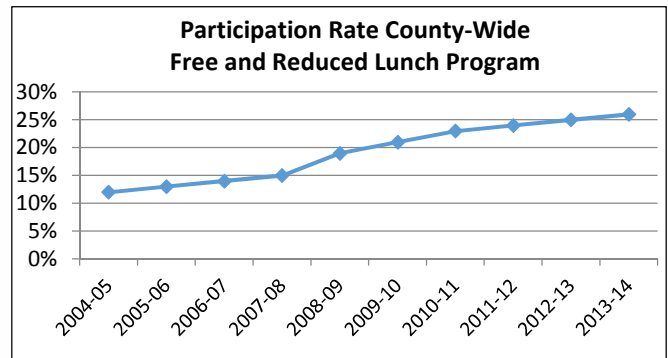
**Free and Reduced School Lunch Program
Enrollment Trends in Johnson County, Kansas**

Enrollment in the Free and Reduced School Lunch Program in Johnson County Public Schools is nearly 24,000 students, or 26%, based on 2013-14 school year data.

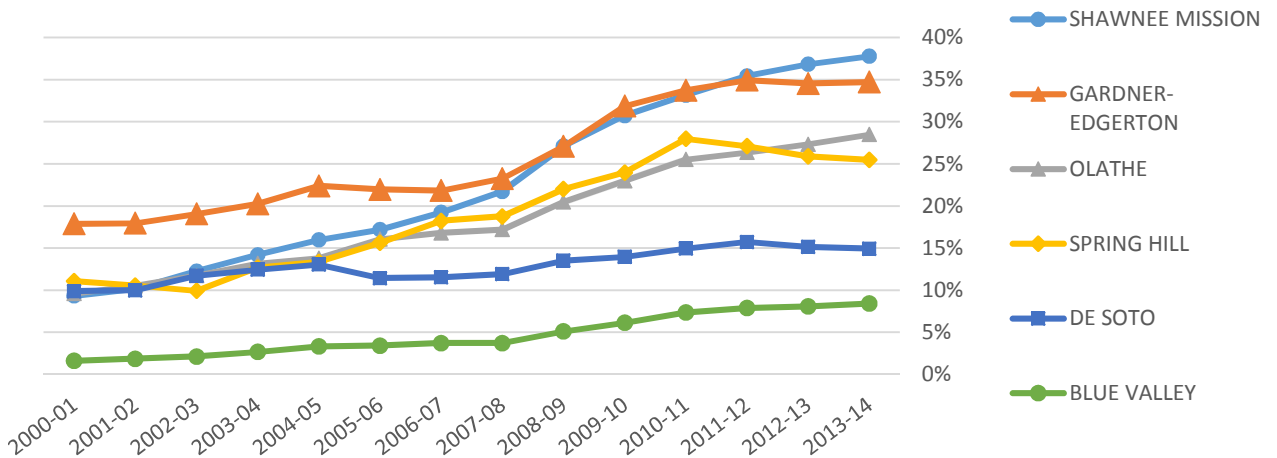
Program enrollment has been on an upward trend for more than a decade. From the 2000-01 to 2005-06 school year, Free and Reduced School Lunch Program enrollment doubled, and then doubled again by 2011-12. The increase since 2011-12, has been less dramatic, only 7%. However, the continued annual increase demonstrates that family economic need has not declined post-recession.



County-wide, 26% of all students are enrolled in the Free and Reduced School Lunch Program. That's up from 12% a decade ago. Every school district has seen its participation rate more than double in the past 10 years. In DeSoto, Gardner-Edgerton, and Spring Hill participation rates have doubled. Olathe participate rate tripled. Blue Valley and Shawnee Mission participation rates went up four-fold.



**Free and Reduced Lunch Program Participation Rates
By School District**



Source: KS Department of Education
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