

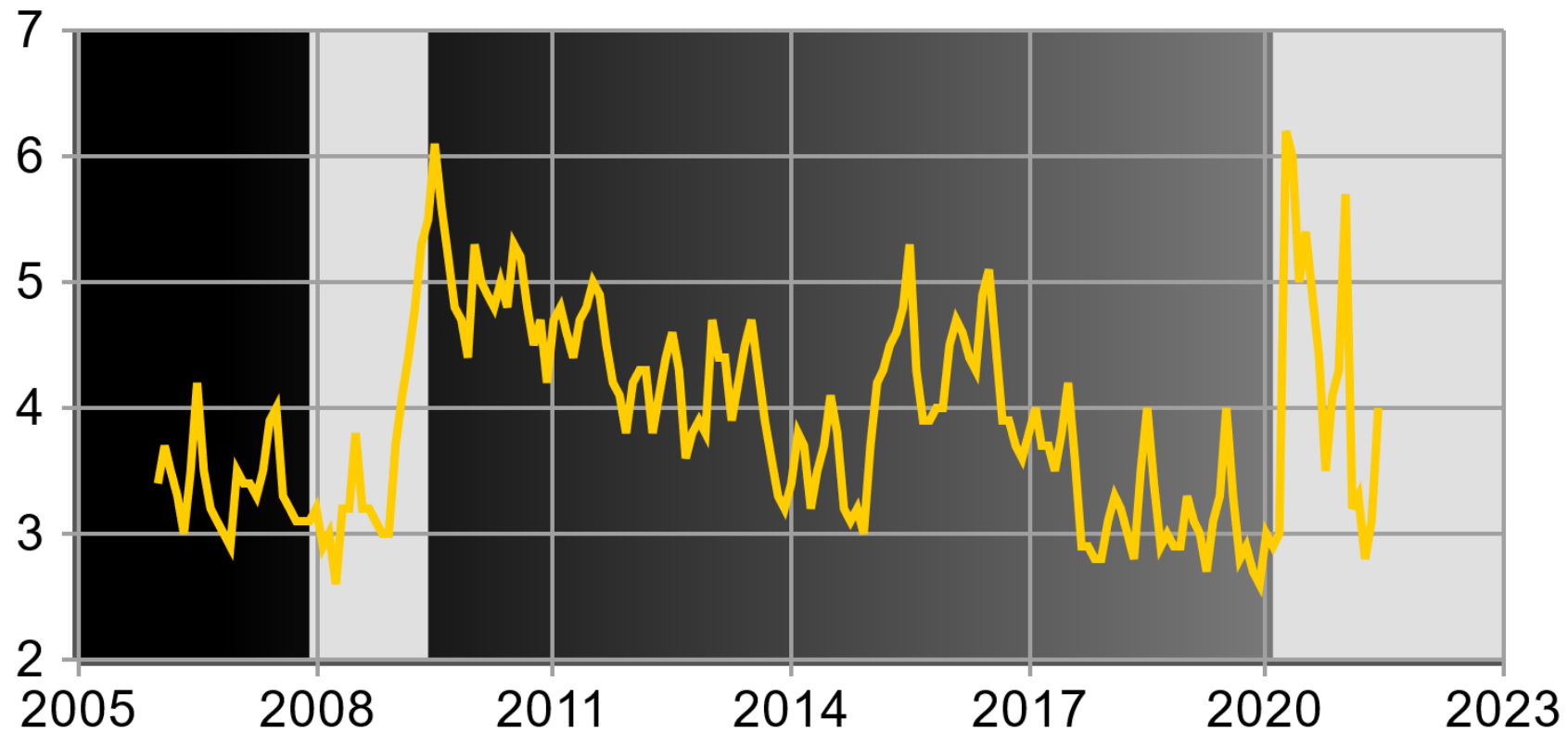


# Seward County Economy

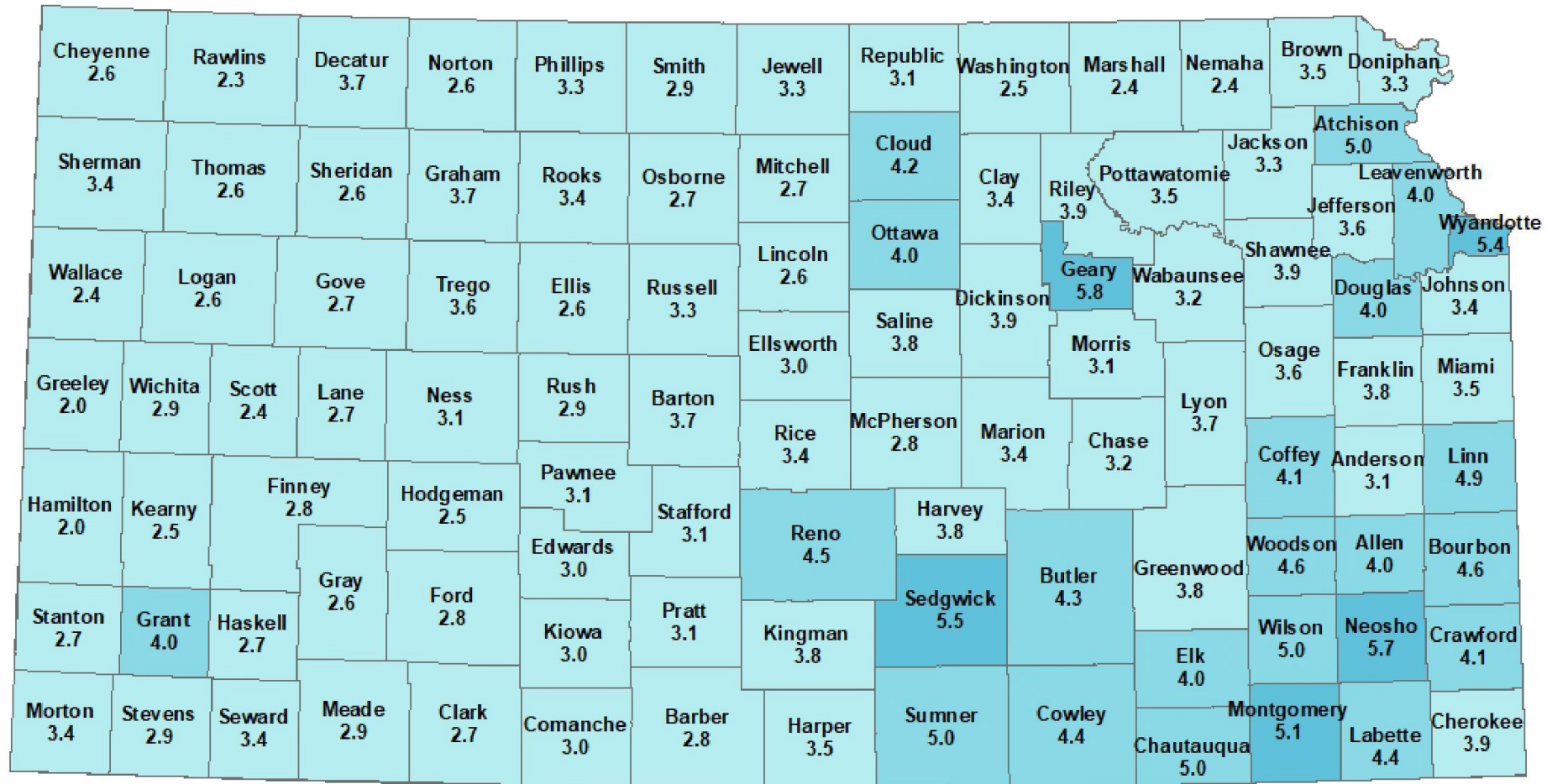
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# Unemployment Rate

Unemployment Rate - Seward County, KS - Civilian Labor Force (not seasonally adjusted)



# Statewide Unemployment Rates – August 2021



Note: County unemployment rates are only available not seasonally adjusted

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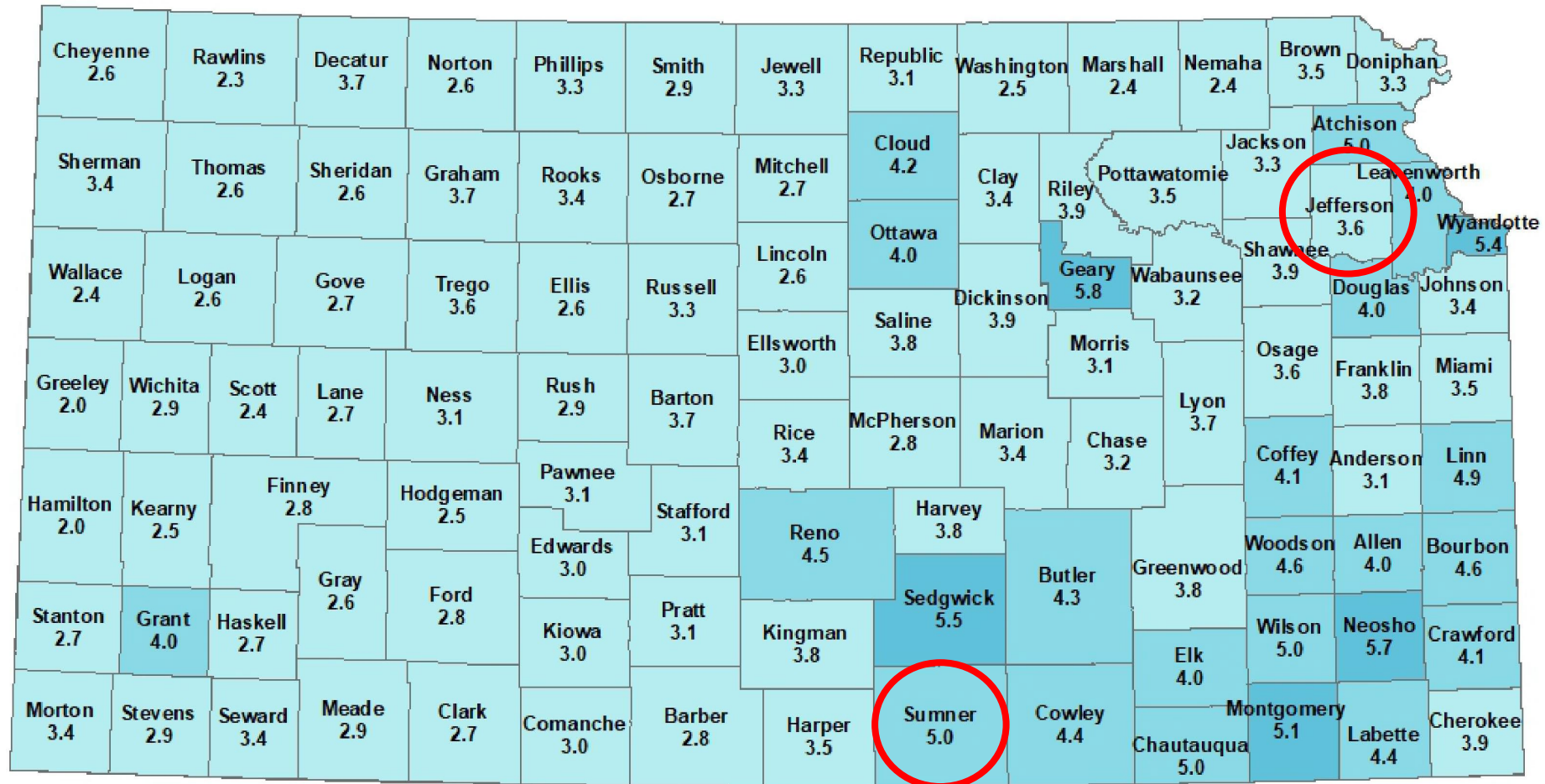
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# County Data Table – August 2021

County	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Unemployment Rate
Seward	10,371	10,016	355	3.4%
Finney	20,513	19,934	579	2.8%
Ford	18,556	18,028	528	2.8%
Sumner	10,945	10,397	548	5.0%
Jefferson	10,483	10,108	375	3.6%



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# Employment Growth

Industry	Kansas			Seward County		
	2019	2020	Growth	2019	2020	Growth
Natural resources and mining	19,353	18,593	-3.9%	471	415	-11.9%
Construction	63,735	63,153	-0.9%	*	*	
Manufacturing	167,196	158,708	-5.1%	*	*	
Trade, transportation, and utilities	262,383	255,582	-2.6%	2,067	1,985	-4.0%
Information	18,137	16,727	-7.8%	59	64	8.5%
Financial activities	74,336	73,321	-1.4%	252	261	3.6%
Professional and business services	179,211	168,833	-5.8%	436	371	-14.9%
Education and health services	197,874	194,592	-1.7%	517	697	34.8%
Leisure and hospitality	130,101	110,649	-15.0%	809	715	-11.6%
Other services	34,833	31,219	-10.4%	180	166	-7.8%
Federal Government	25,487	26,153	2.6%	88	85	-3.4%
Local Government	179,422	171,426	-4.5%	2,269	2,234	-1.5%
State Government	41,116	39,947	-2.8%	62	61	-1.6%
<b>Total, all industries</b>	<b>1,393,184</b>	<b>1,328,903</b>	<b>-4.6%</b>	<b>10,644</b>	<b>10,606</b>	<b>-0.4%</b>

Source: CEDBR, BLS - QCEW

# Annual Wages

Industry	Kansas			Seward County		
	2019	2020	Growth	2019	2020	Growth
Natural resources and mining	\$47,802	\$ 47,721	-0.2%	\$ 55,321	\$ 54,763	-1.0%
Construction	\$57,030	\$ 59,094	3.6%	*	*	
Manufacturing	\$59,652	\$ 62,947	5.5%	*	*	
Trade, transportation, and utilities	\$43,539	\$ 46,006	5.7%	\$ 42,826	\$ 45,032	5.2%
Information	\$66,433	\$ 73,751	11.0%	\$28,268	\$ 29,178	3.2%
Financial activities	\$68,950	\$ 75,887	10.1%	\$ 49,716	\$ 49,907	0.4%
Professional and business services	\$64,553	\$ 69,540	7.7%	\$ 37,999	\$ 41,116	8.2%
Education and health services	\$43,909	\$ 48,480	10.4%	\$ 33,937	\$ 37,956	11.8%
Leisure and hospitality	\$17,333	\$ 18,046	4.1%	\$ 15,766	\$ 16,215	2.8%
Other services	\$35,624	\$ 38,932	9.3%	\$30,445	\$ 30,984	1.8%
Federal Government	\$70,163	\$ 71,190	1.5%	\$ 58,088	\$ 59,764	2.9%
Local Government	\$37,494	\$ 40,128	7.0%	\$ 39,838	\$ 43,359	8.8%
State Government	\$58,381	\$ 52,822	-9.5%	\$ 37,466	\$ 37,594	0.3%
<b>Total, all industries</b>	<b>\$48,060</b>	<b>\$ 51,473</b>	<b>7.1%</b>	<b>\$ 42,842</b>	<b>\$ 49,120</b>	<b>14.7%</b>

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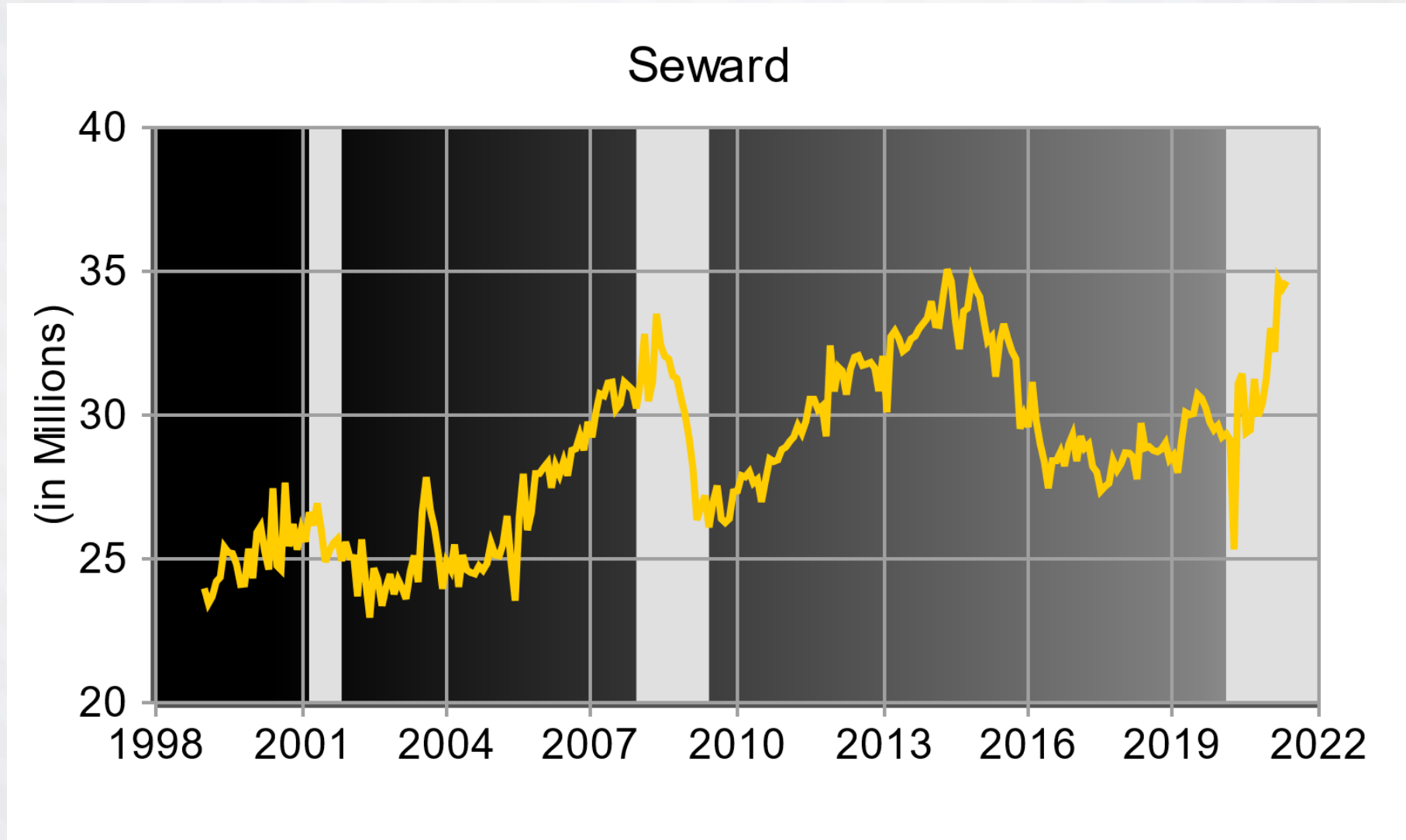
# Business Establishments

Industry	Kansas			Seward County		
	2019	2020	Growth	2019	2020	Growth
Natural resources and mining	2,612	2,624	0.5%	51	49	-3.9%
Construction	7,399	7,400	0.0%	35	33	-5.7%
Manufacturing	3,105	3,118	0.4%	12	13	8.3%
Trade, transportation, and utilities	19,844	19,606	-1.2%	172	166	-3.5%
Information	1,386	1,570	13.3%	6	6	0.0%
Financial activities	8,744	8,798	0.6%	58	54	-6.9%
Professional and business services	16,598	16,949	2.1%	58	53	-8.6%
Education and health services	10,085	10,383	3.0%	60	60	0.0%
Leisure and hospitality	6,871	6,834	-0.5%	56	55	-1.8%
Other services	5,938	5,903	-0.6%	45	39	-13.3%
Federal Government	1,222	1,217	-0.4%	7	7	0.0%
Local Government	999	951	-4.8%	16	15	-6.3%
State Government	2,714	2,724	0.4%	12	12	0.0%
<b>Total, all industries</b>	<b>87,517</b>	<b>88,077</b>	<b>0.6%</b>	<b>588</b>	<b>562</b>	<b>-4.4%</b>

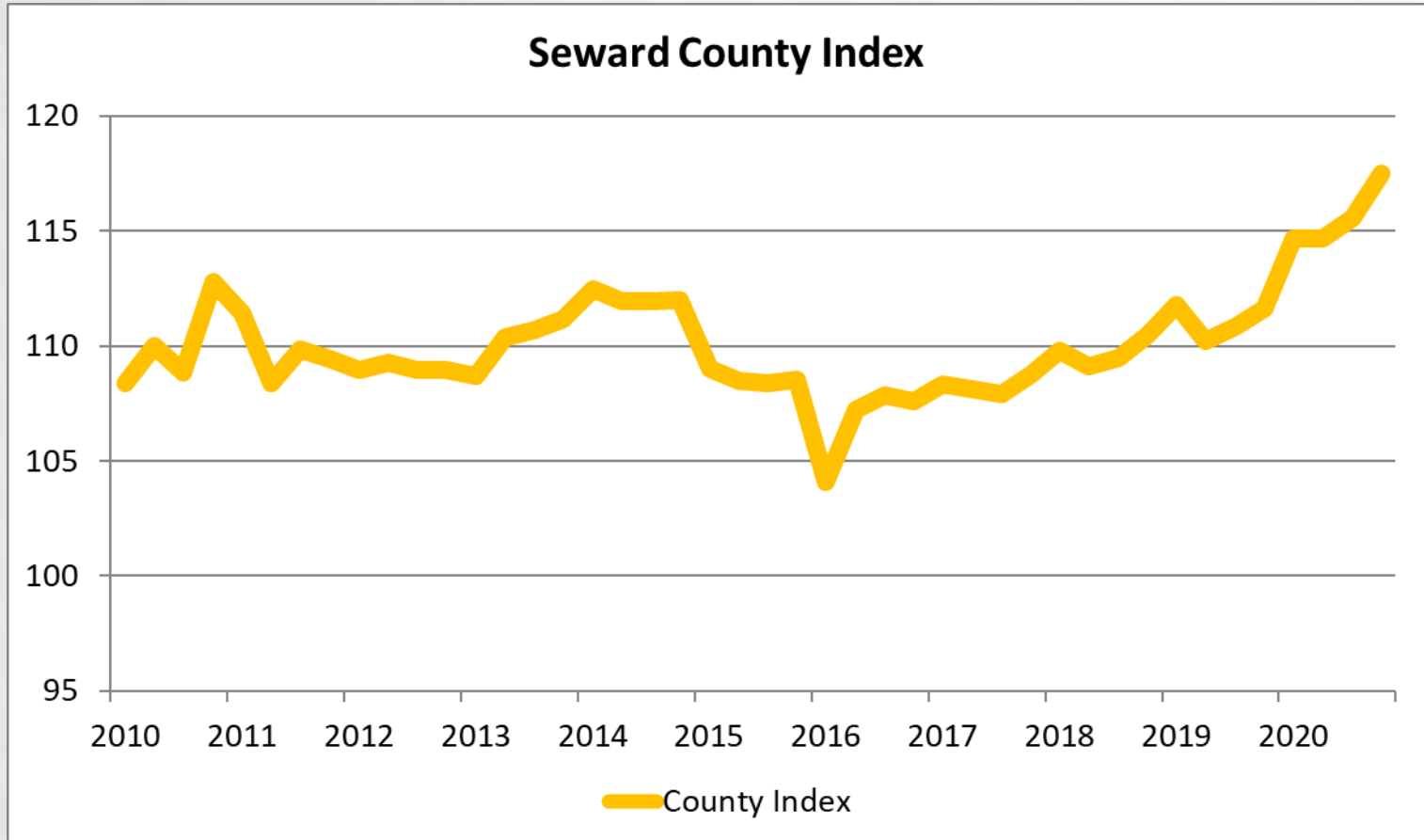
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# Seasonally Adjusted Retail Sales



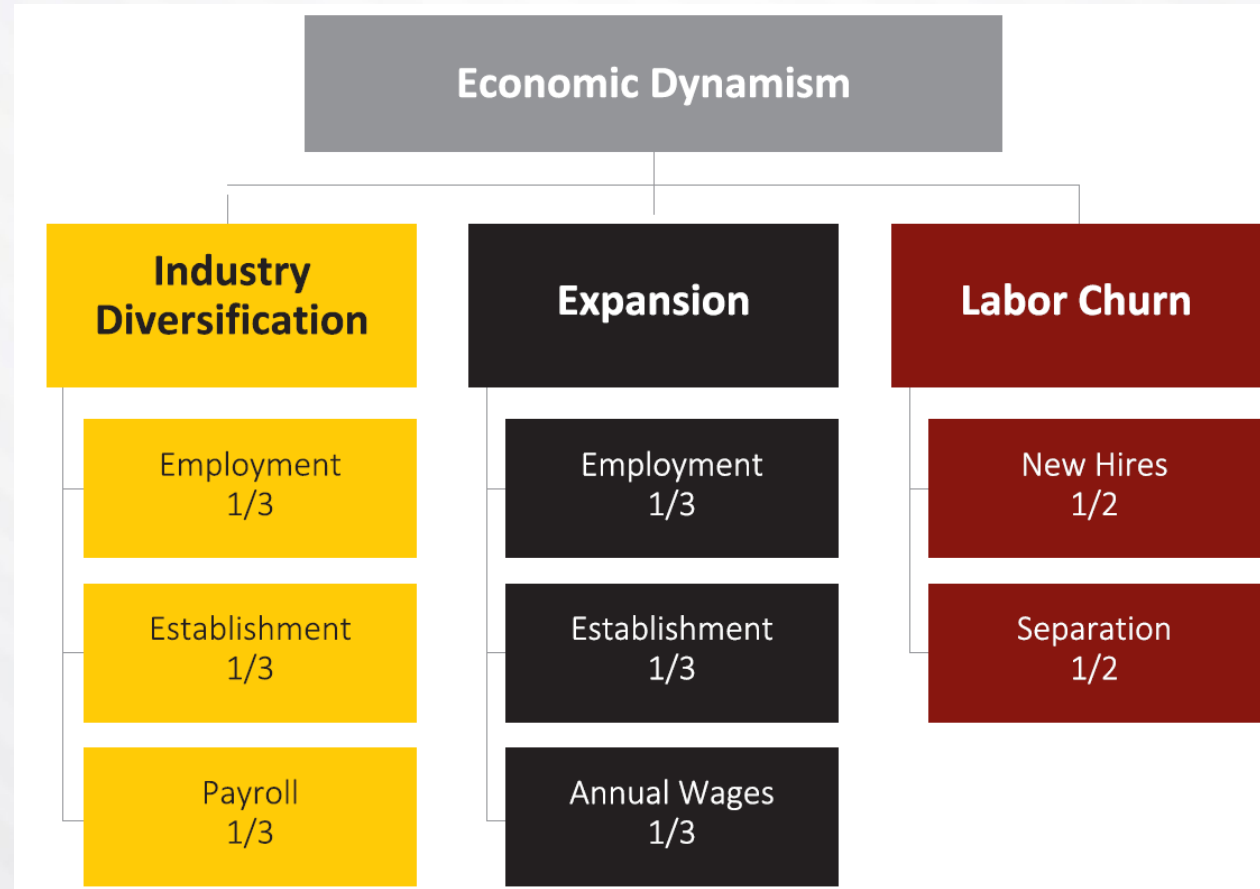
# County Index



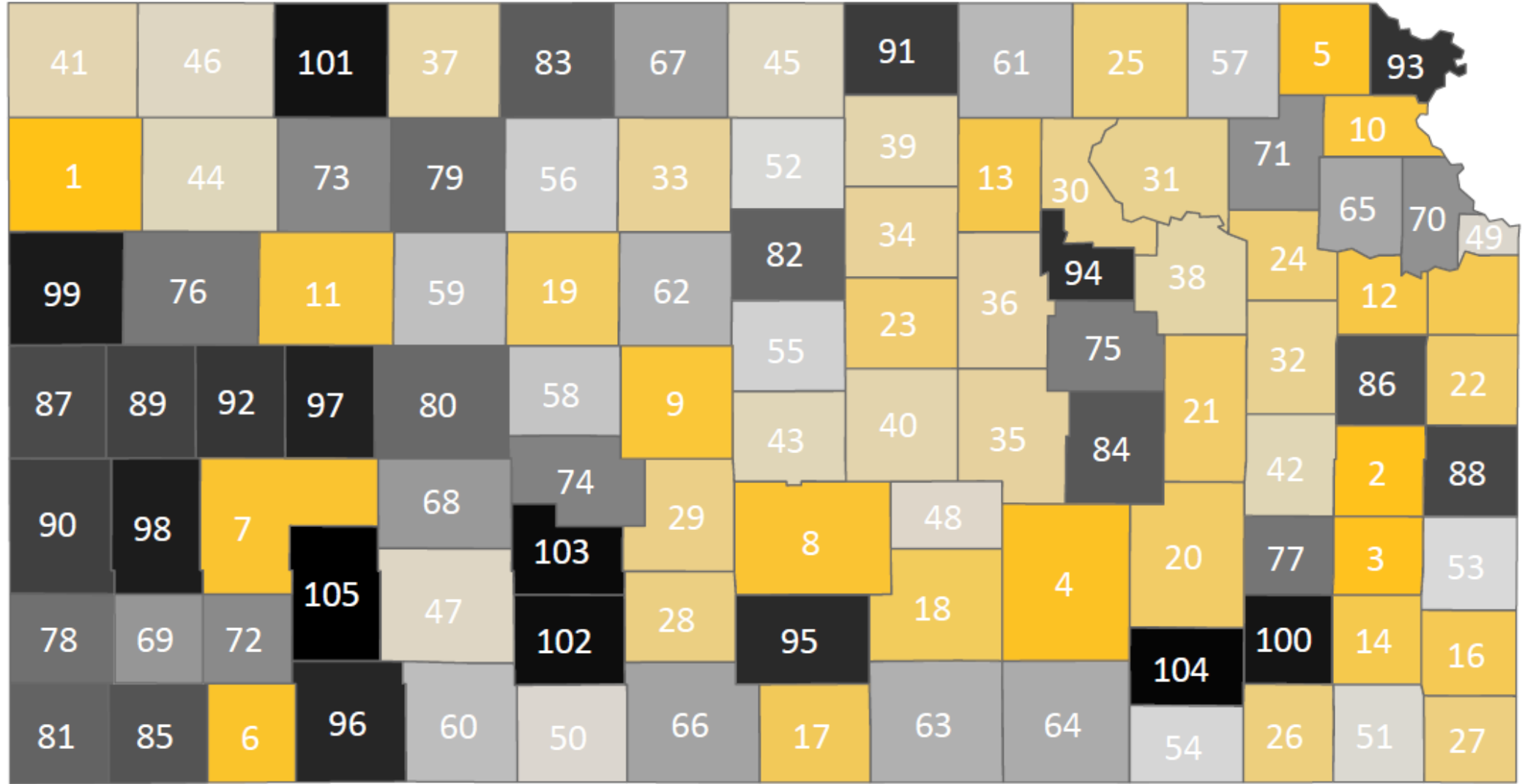
- The CEDBR County Economic Conditions Index is based on employment, retail sales, average wages, and the unemployment rate.

# Business Dynamism Index

- The index measures the dynamism of the business environment in three areas: industry diversification, business expansion, and labor churn.



# Kansas Business Dynamism Index, 2021

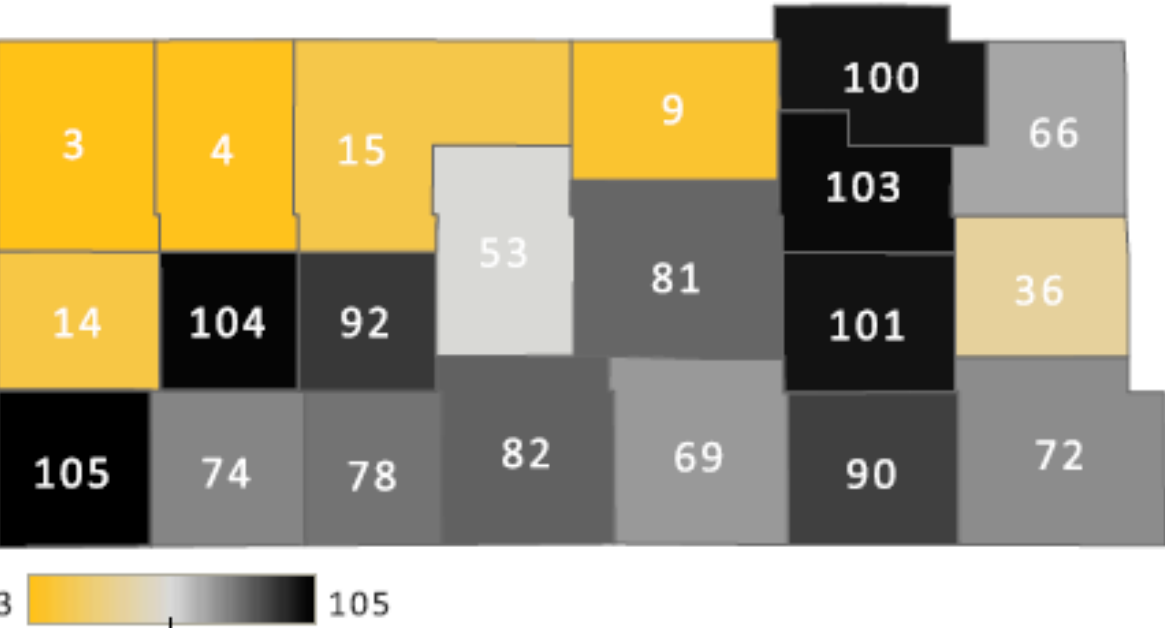


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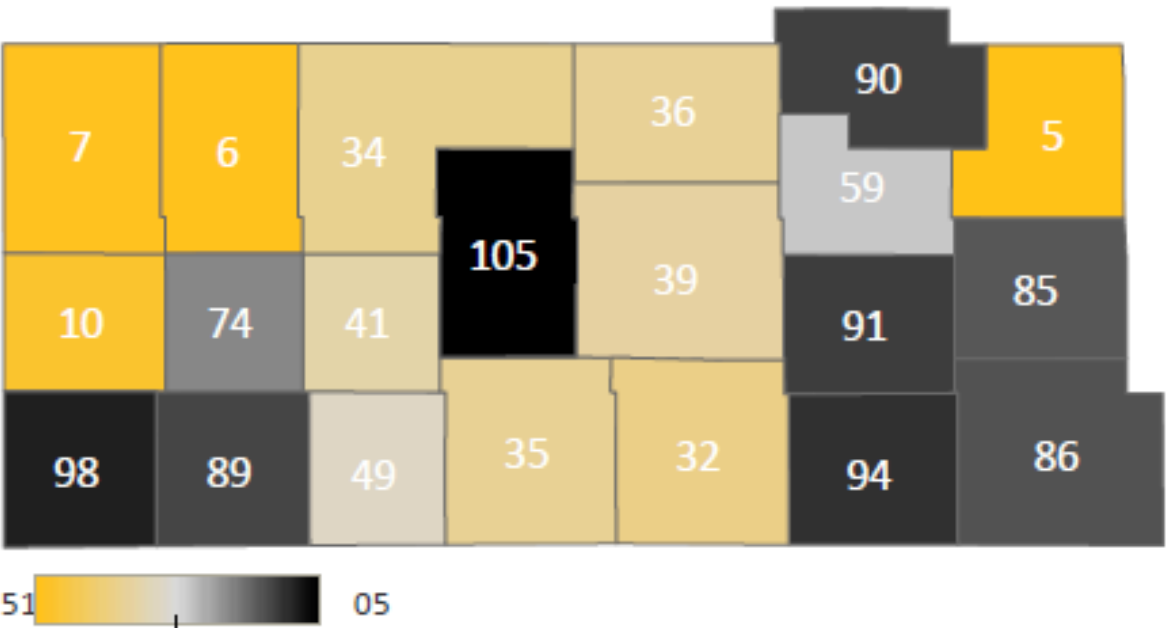
# Business Expansion

- Seward County ranked 40<sup>th</sup> highest overall in the state for business expansion.

## Employment Rank



## Establishments Rank

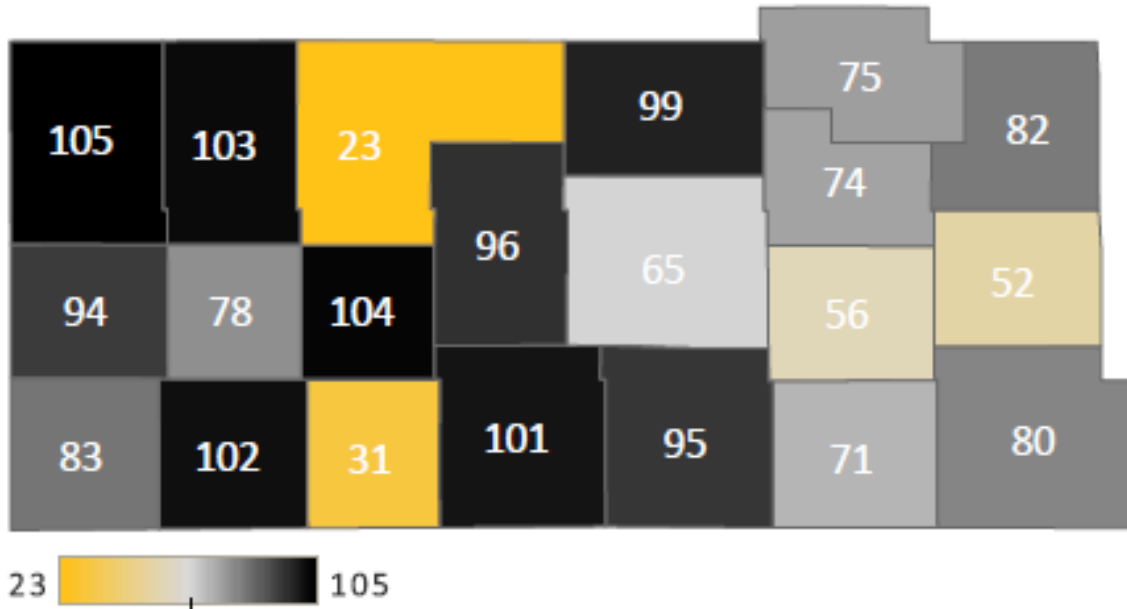




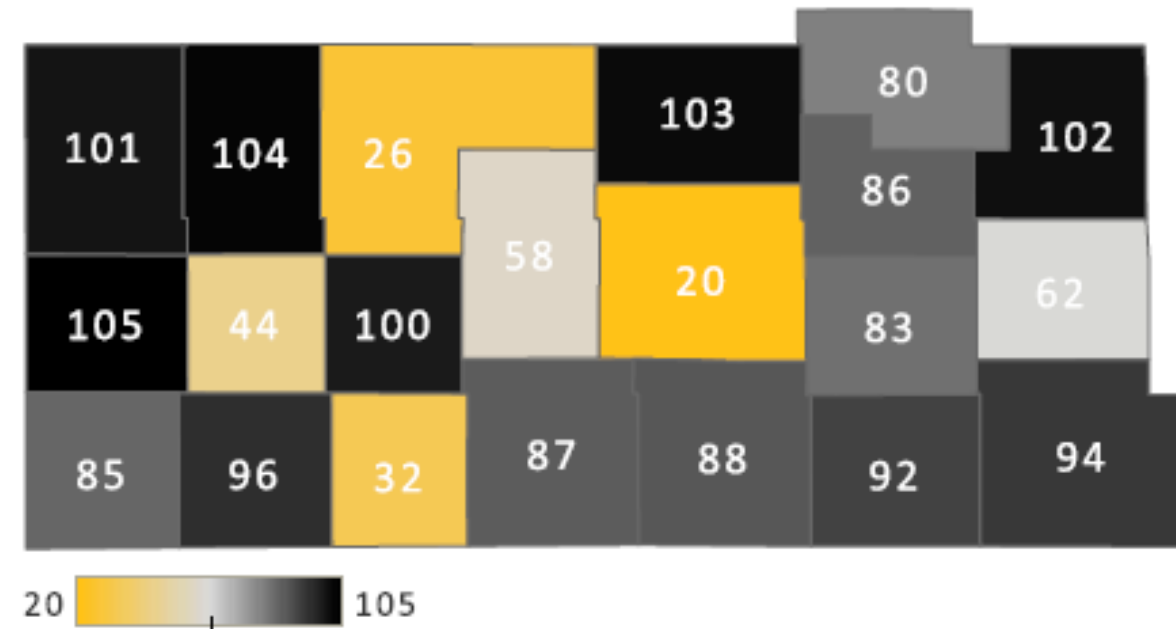
# Business Diversification

- Seward County ranked 38<sup>th</sup> highest overall in the state.

## Employment Rank



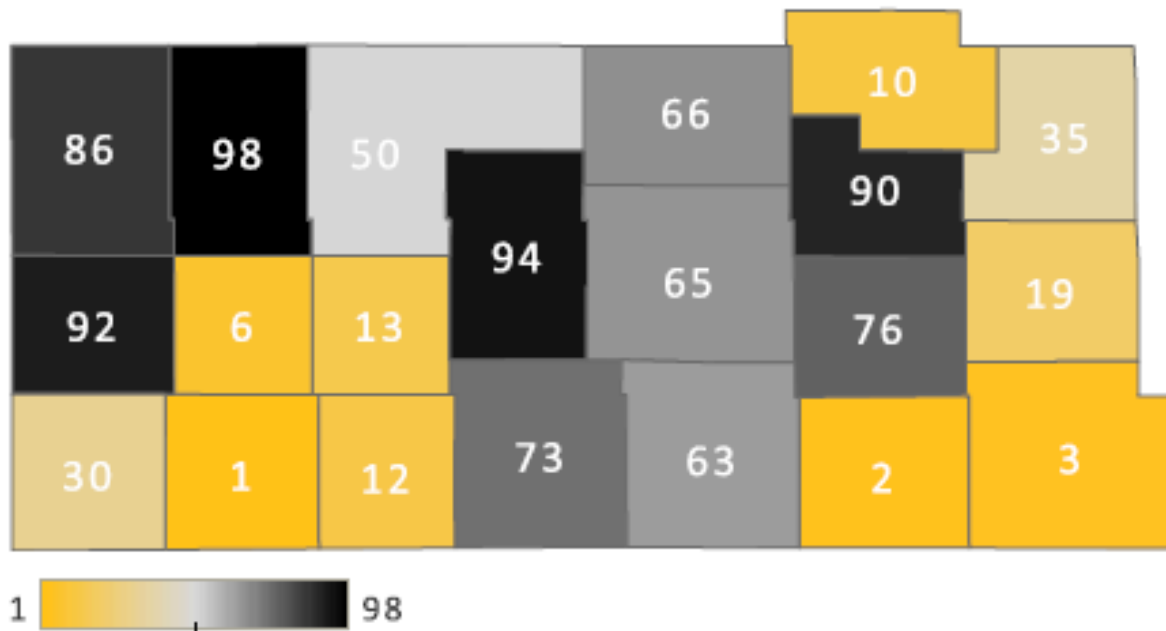
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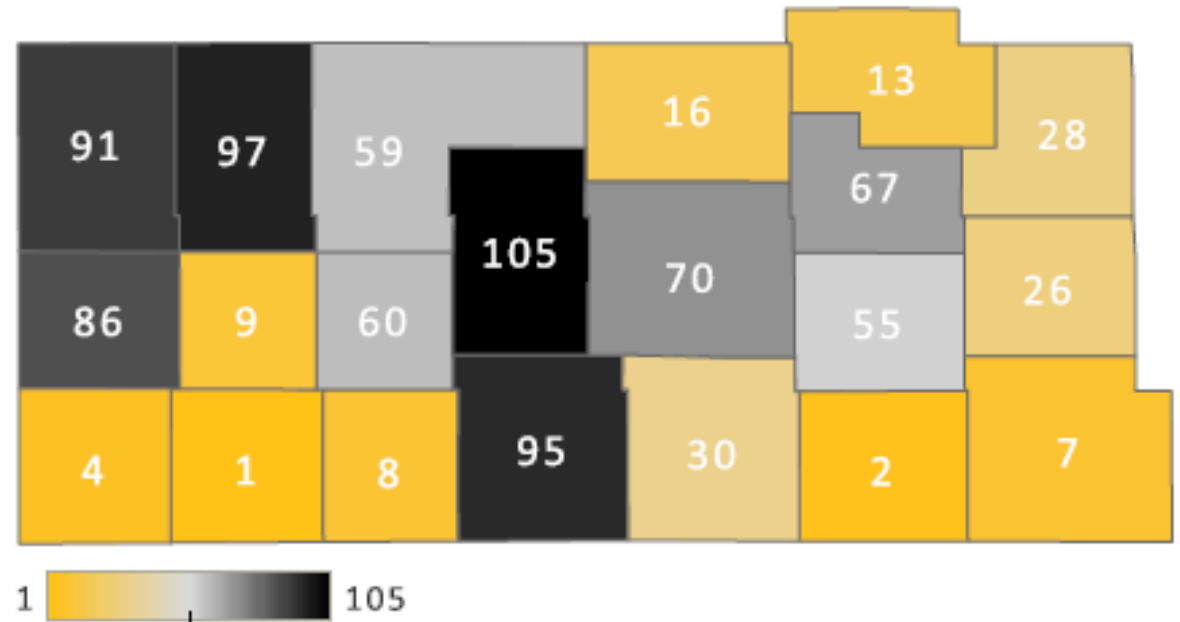
# Labor Churn

- Seward County ranked 7<sup>th</sup> highest overall in the state.

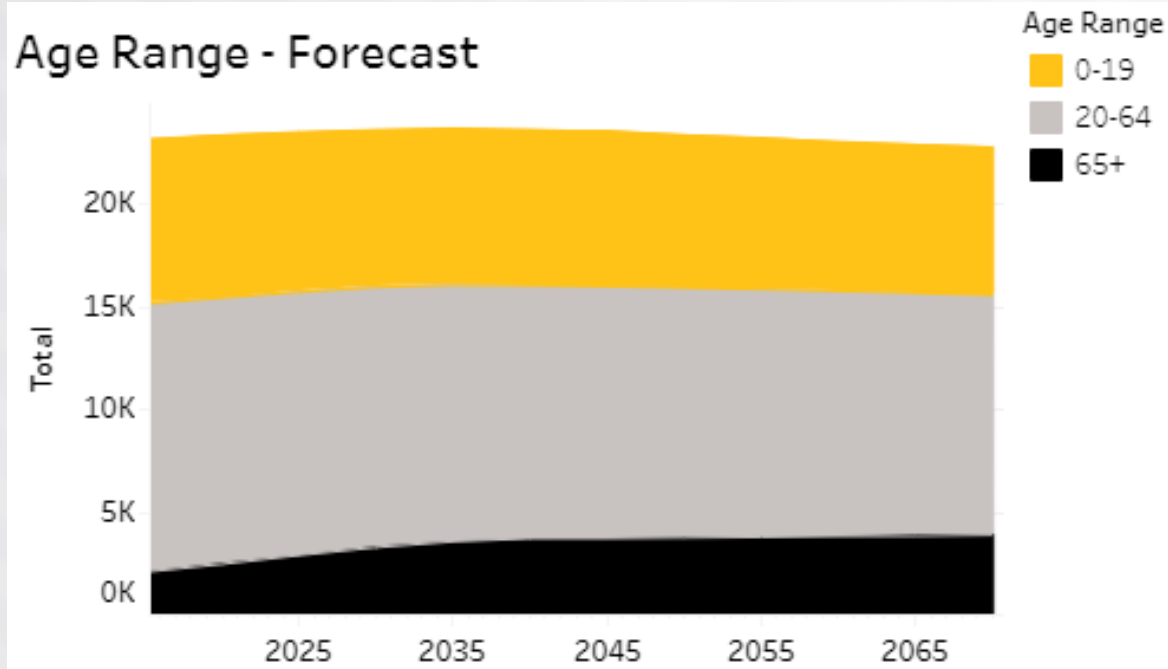
## New Employment



## Separations



# Population Forecast, 2020 to 2070



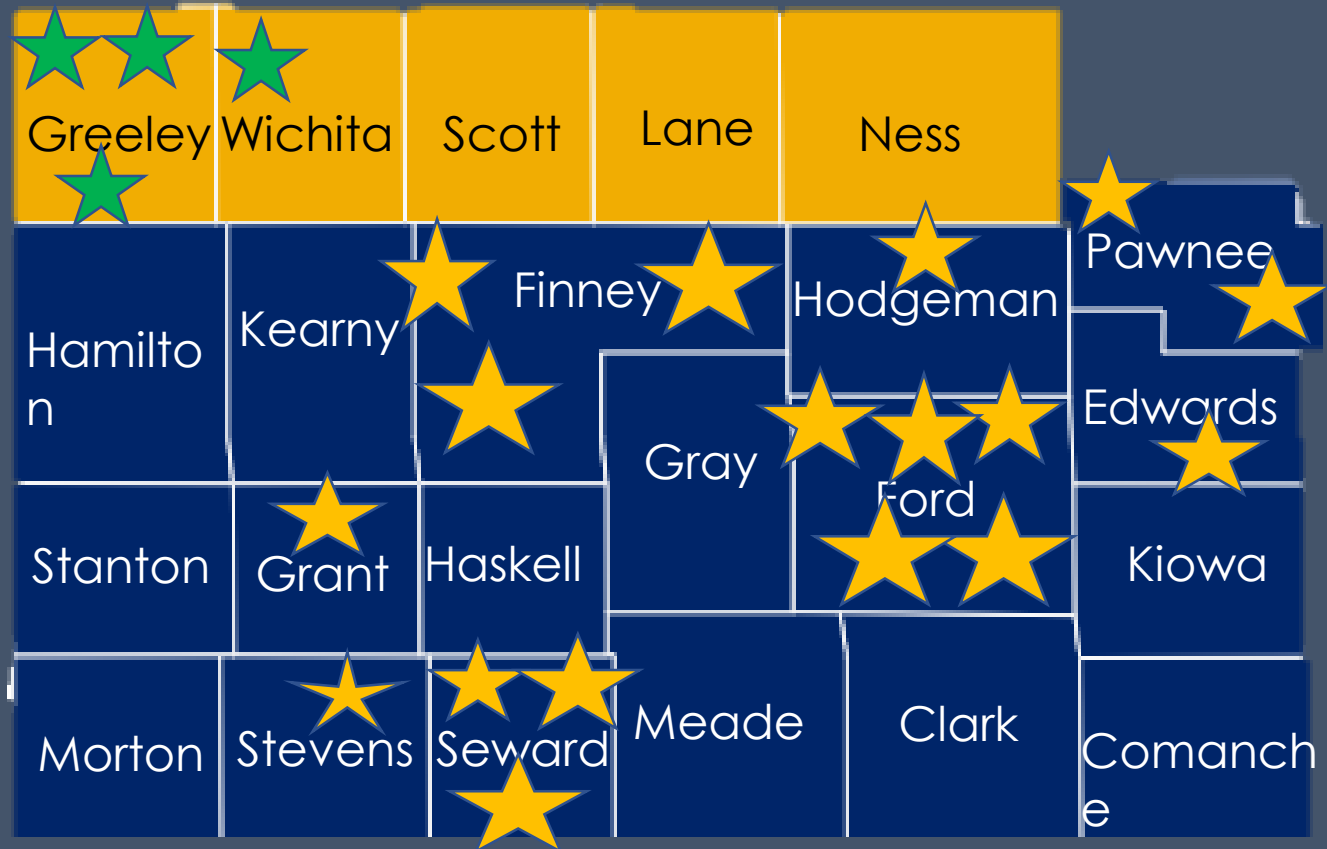
- Total population projected to decline 2.5 percent by 2070
- Population expected to begin to decline by 2040
- 65 and older population projected to increase by 85.6 percent by 2070

	2020	2025	2030	2035	2040	2045	2050	2055	2060	2065	2070
Total	23,345	23,499	23,609	23,649	23,621	23,515	23,354	23,191	23,032	22,886	22,750
% Diff Total	0.83%	0.66%	0.47%	0.17%	-0.12%	-0.45%	-0.69%	-0.69%	-0.69%	-0.63%	-0.59%

# Signs and Signals

Fall 2021

# ► 2021 Project Successes YTD





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Successful  
Projects

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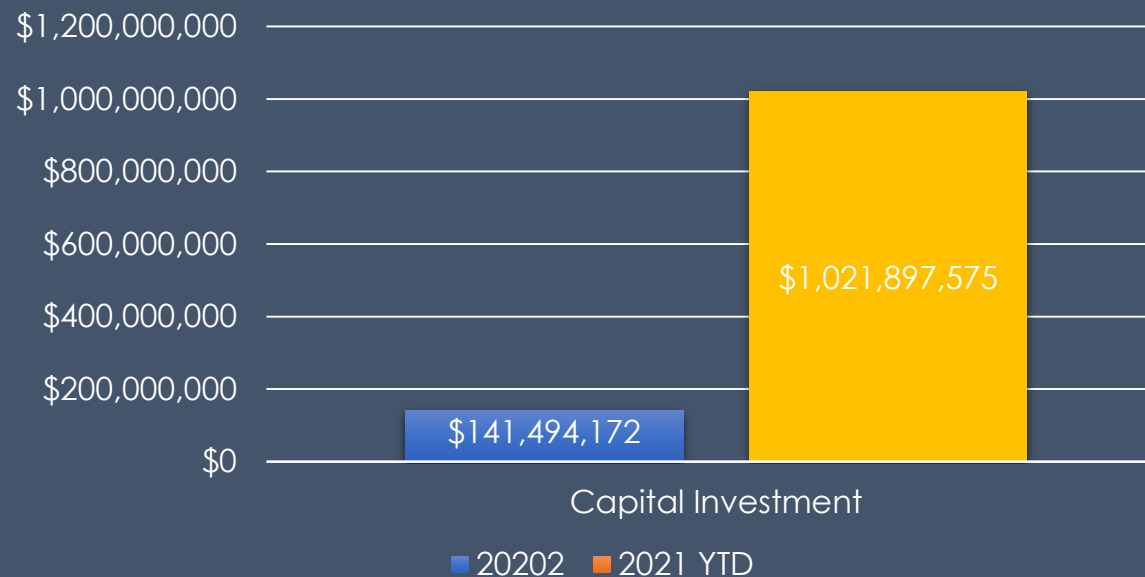
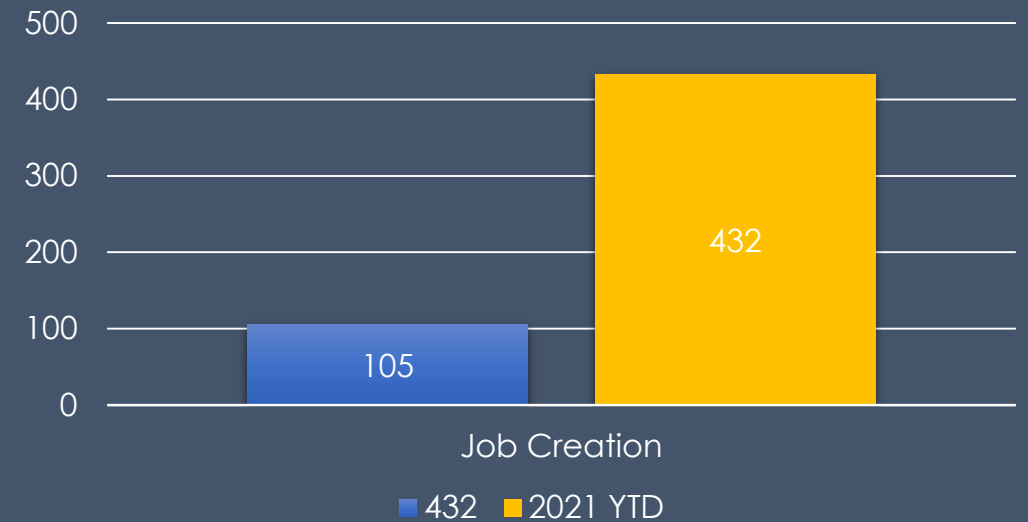
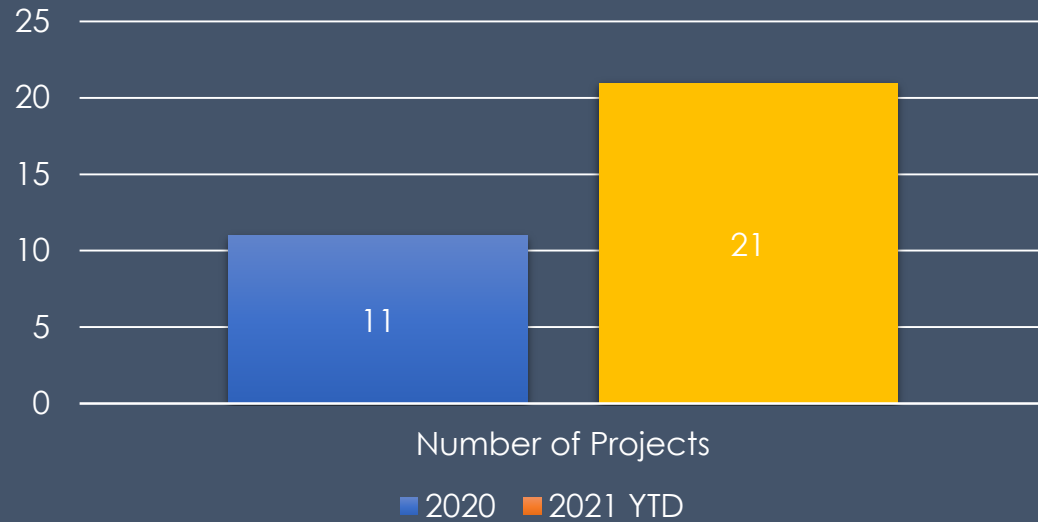
New Jobs  
Created

432

Capital Investment

\$1,021,897,575

# ► 2020 vs. 2021 YTD Project Successes



# DIVERSITY OF PROJECT SUCCESSES

- ▶ For 2021 YTD, the Kansas Department of Commerce and local EDO's have developed 261 successful projects that encompass 57 counties (54%).
- ▶ In 2020, we had successes in 43 counties (41%).
- ▶ In 2019 we had successes in 33 counties (31%).

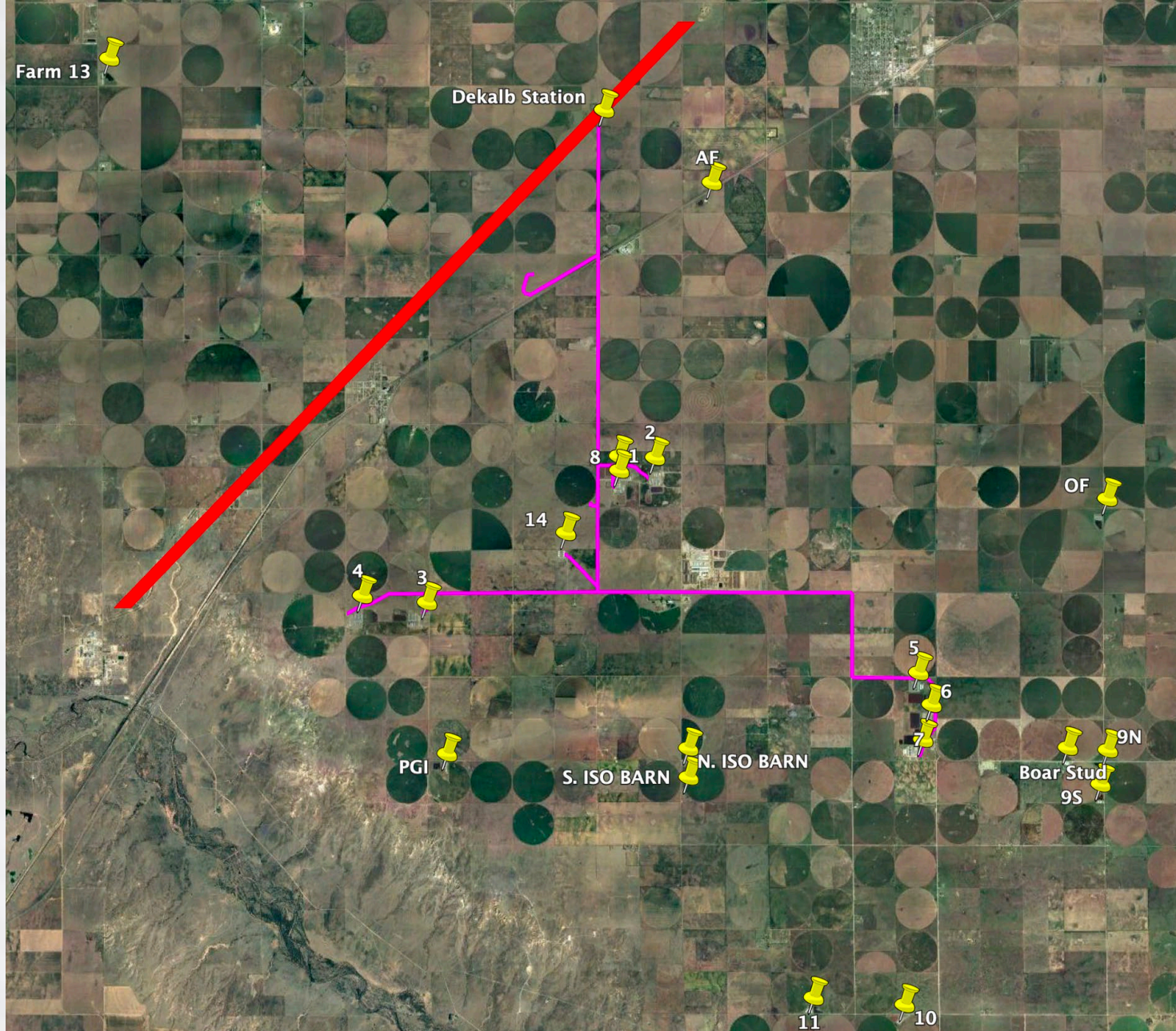
# Energy Production

- Oil
- Natural Gas
- Wind
- Solar
- Ethanol
- Renewable Natural Gas
- Biodiesel









SRF Existing Infrastructure





## Project Highlights

- One of the largest projects of its kind in the US
- Reduce Fresh Water consumption by **63,410,193 gallons** per year
- Improve Air Quality - reducing fugitive GHG emissions and odor
- Infrastructure Investment of approximately **\$40 MM**
- Utilizing local labor markets for year-long construction campaign
- Creation of **11 full-time skilled labor** local jobs - **\$1.2 million** payroll
- Provide enough energy to heat **2,400 homes** per year
- Avoids **702,585,000 lbs** eCO<sub>2</sub>