# Agriculture Update

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### Introduction

An outstanding farm economy through the end of 2021 with weakening into 2022

Net farm income and government program payments

- Examination of 475 KFMA farms with continuous data 2014 through 2020
  Probability of Default
  - Debt to Asset Ratio
  - Working Capital Position
  - Capital Debt Repayment Capacity
- Land Value changes
- Shifting crop mix and 2021 and 2022 farm income prospects





#### Net Farm Income – Kansas Farm Management and Aggregate U.S.



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#### KFMA Average Net Farm Income and Government Payments

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Net Farm Income	\$135,996	\$13,081	\$58,699	\$72,911	\$106,983	\$117,896	\$172,530
Government Payments	\$26,718	\$21,748	\$26,838	\$27,929	\$41,275	\$91,340	125,242
Government Payments as a Percent of Income	19.6%	166.3%	45.7%	38.3%	38.6%	77.5%	72.6%

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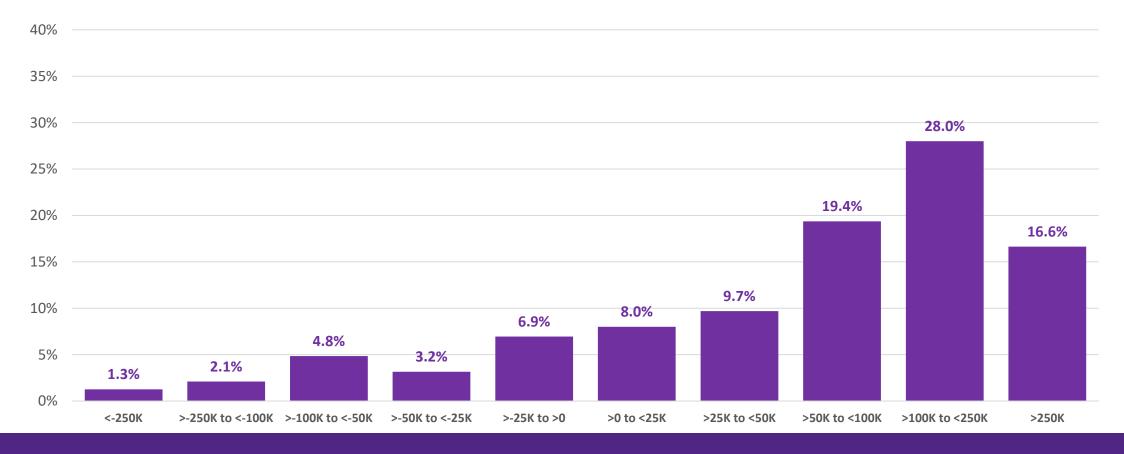
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Sample size is 475 farms with 2014 to 2020 continuous data

Government Payments are important as a percentage of income for farms



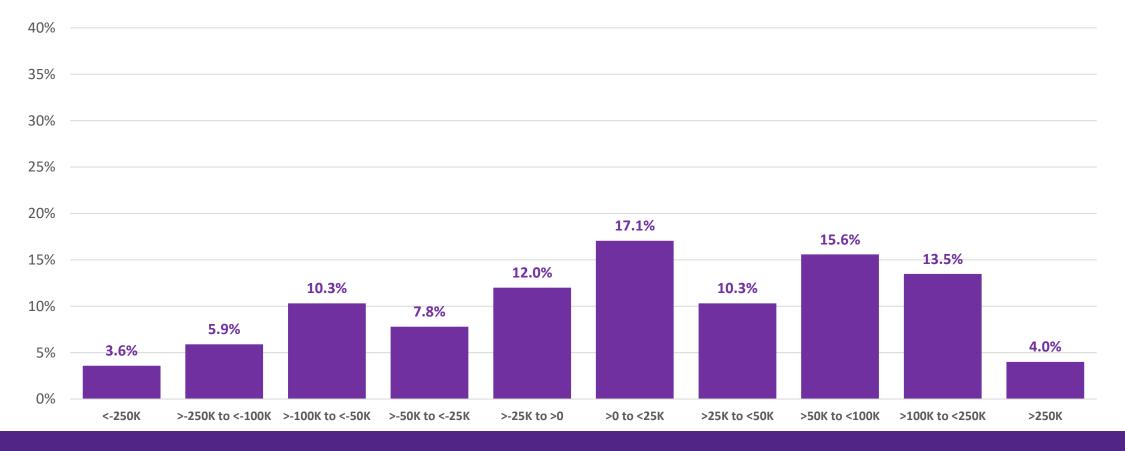
#### Distribution of 2014 Net Farm Income



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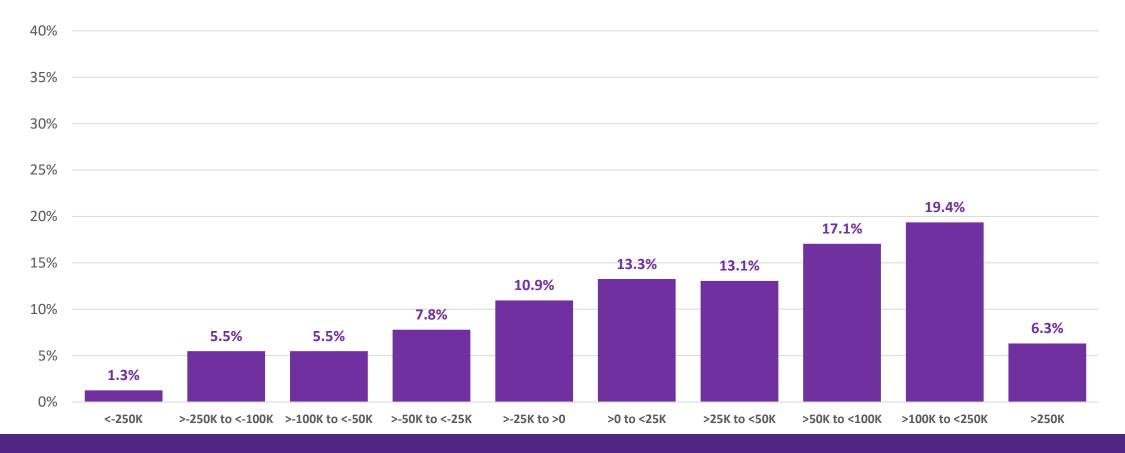
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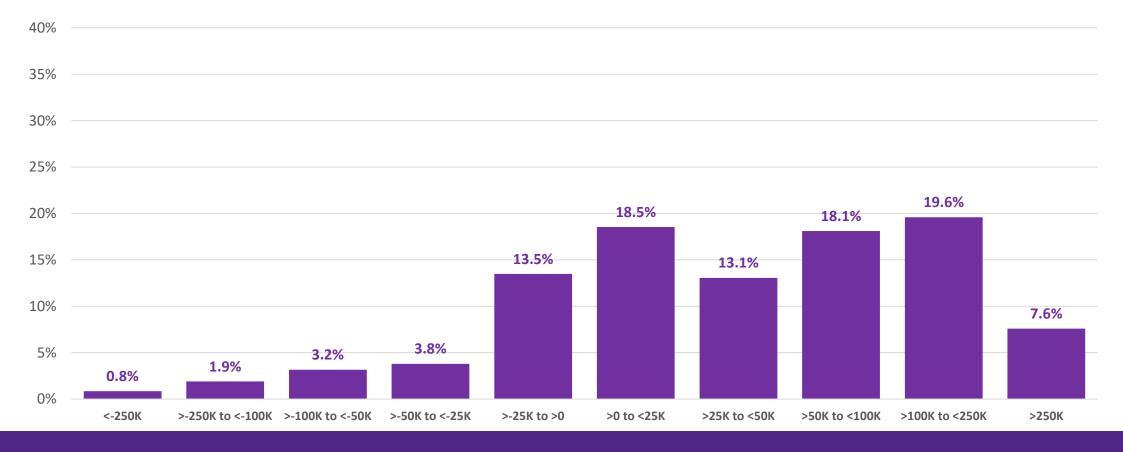
#### Distribution of 2016 Net Farm Income



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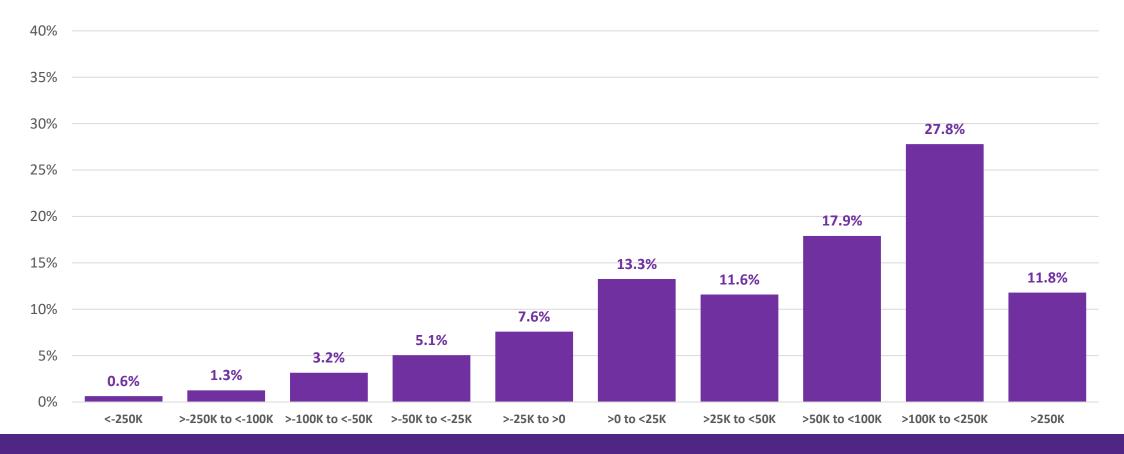
#### Distribution of 2017 Net Farm Income



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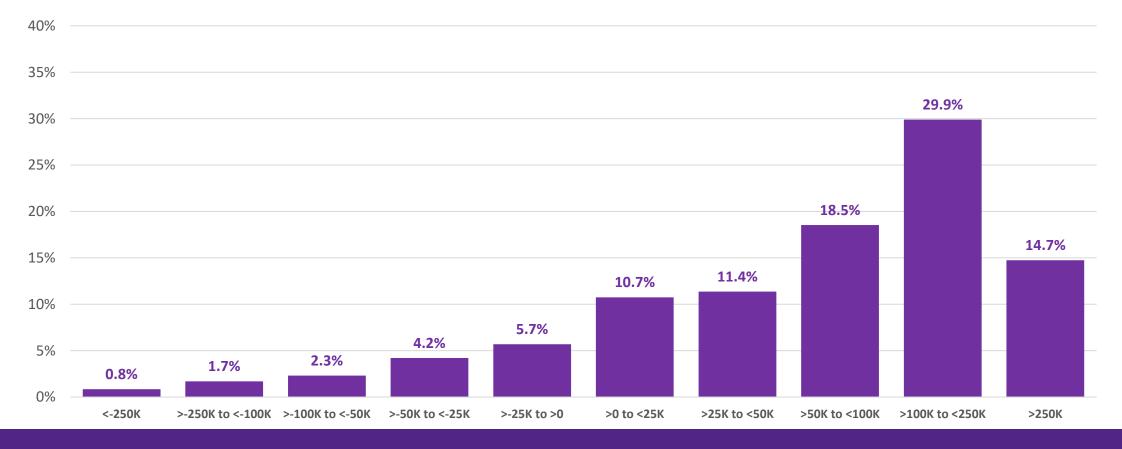
#### Distribution of 2018 Net Farm Income



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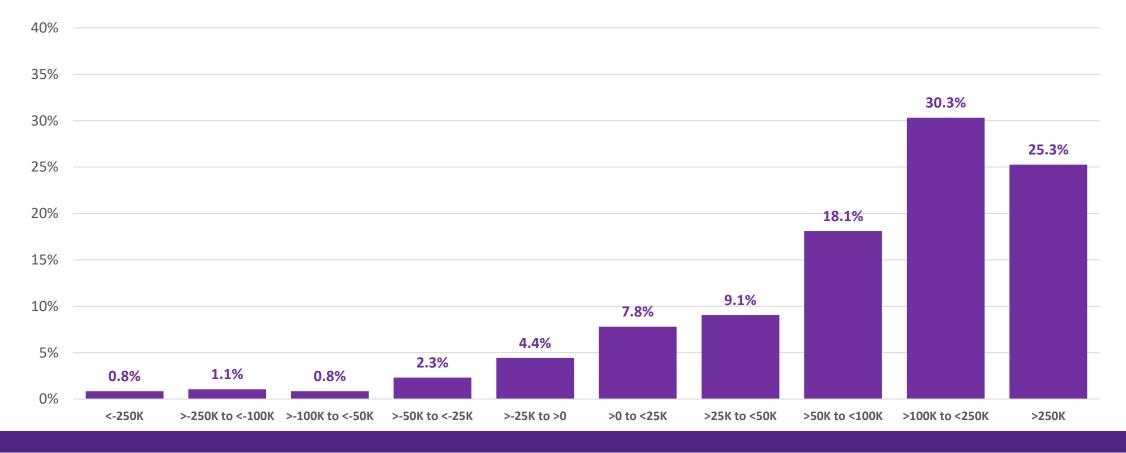
#### Distribution of 2019 Net Farm Income



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#### Distribution of 2020 Net Farm Income



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#### Distribution of KFMA Net Farm Income

Farms with	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Negative Net Farm Income	18.3%	39.6%	30.9%	23.2%	17.7%	14.7%	9.5%
Net Farm Income Less than \$50,000	36.0%	66.9%	57.3%	54.7%	42.5%	36.8%	26.3%

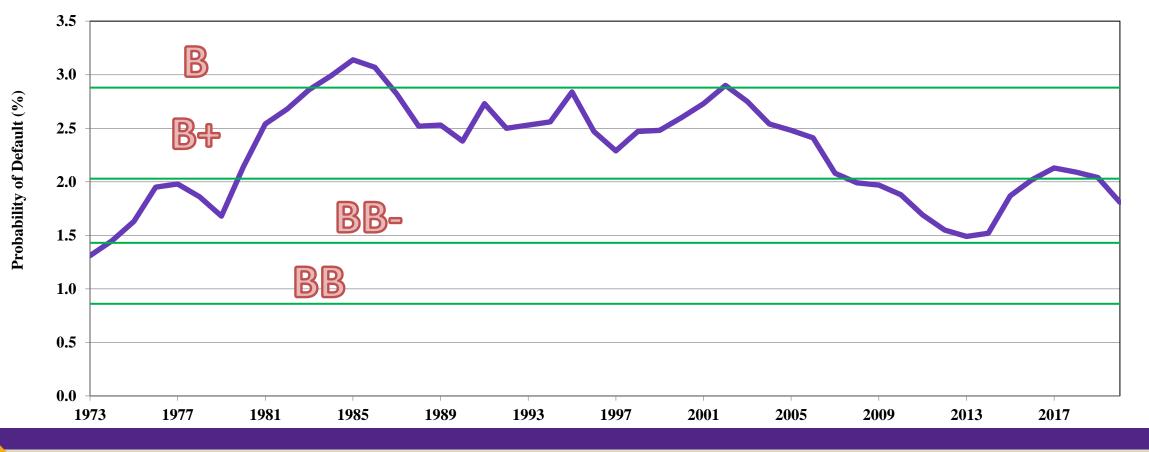
Farms with negative income each year from 2014 – 0.8%

Farms with positive income each year from 2014 – 30.1%



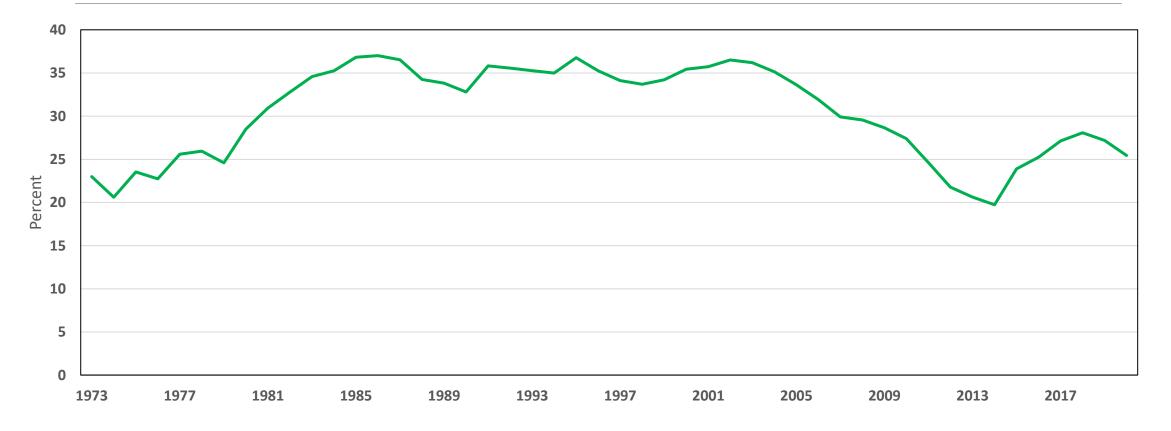


#### Default Risk for KFMA farms 1973 through 2020





#### KFMA Farms Debt to Asset Ratio



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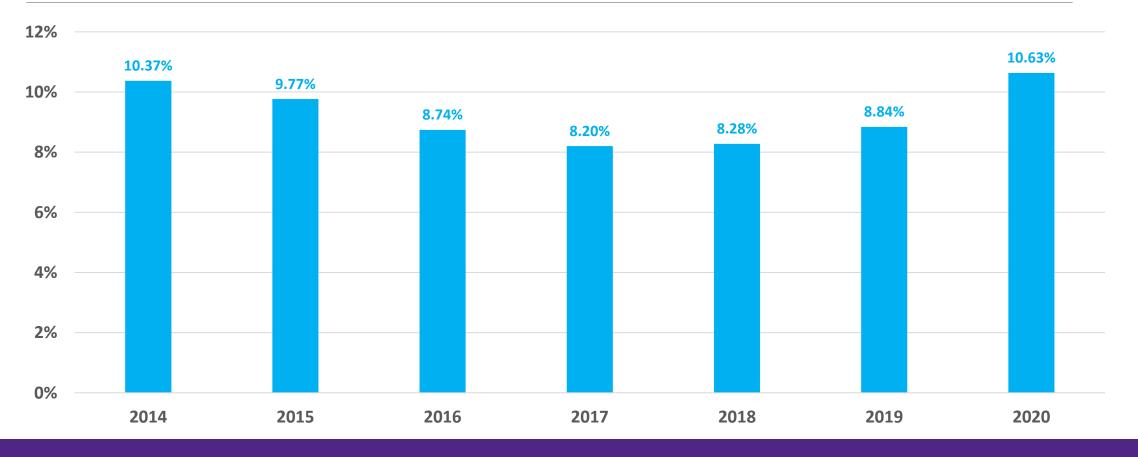
#### Lower Tail of the Debt to Asset Ratio

Farms with	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Debt > 40%	10.5%	16.6%	20.4%	21.5%	22.5%	21.1%	16.6%
Debt > 70%	1.9%	2.9%	4.0%	4.4%	4.6%	4.2%	2.9%





#### KFMA Farms Working Capital to Asset Ratio





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#### Tails of the Working Capital to Asset Ratio

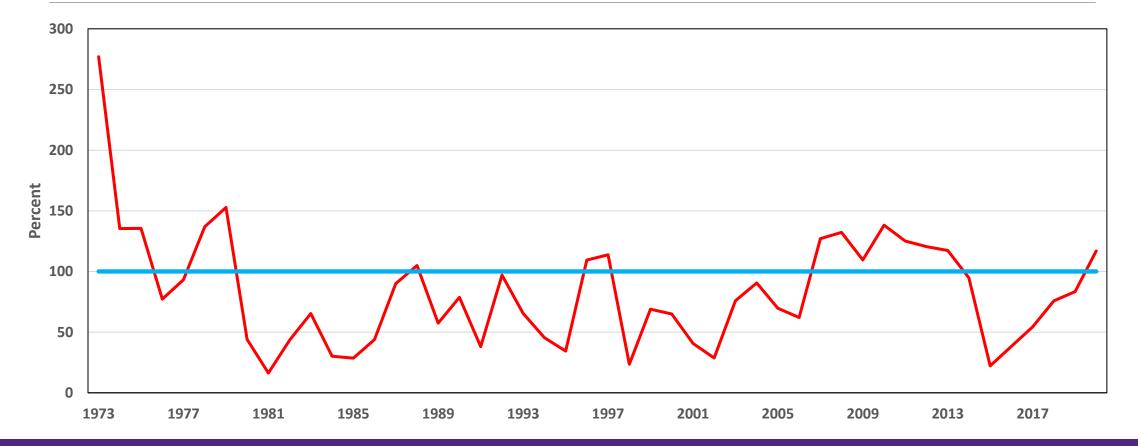
Farms with	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Ratio < 0	15.2%	19.6%	23.8%	26.5%	25.7%	24.2%	18.3%
Ratio > 20%	19.2%	21.9%	19.6%	19.6%	19.2%	19.2%	22.3%

Working Capital to Asset Ratio has improved but is has not reached 2014 levels regarding farms less than zero





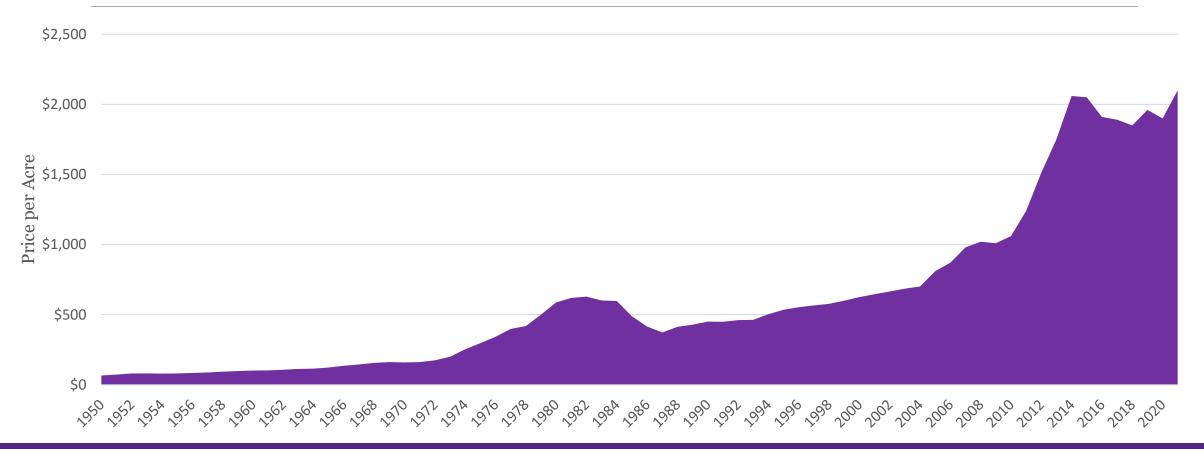
#### **KFMA Farms Repayment Capacity**







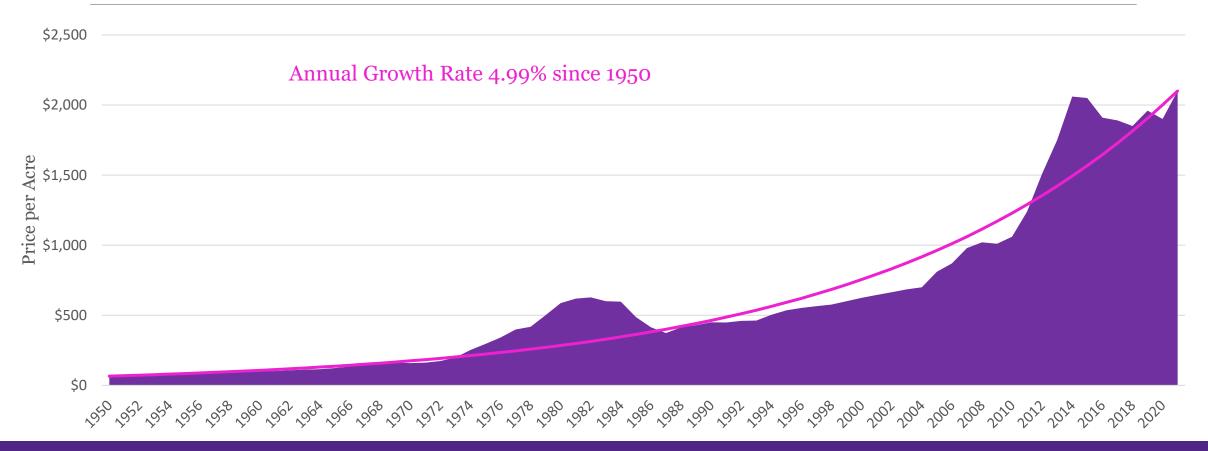
#### Kansas Land Values from 1950







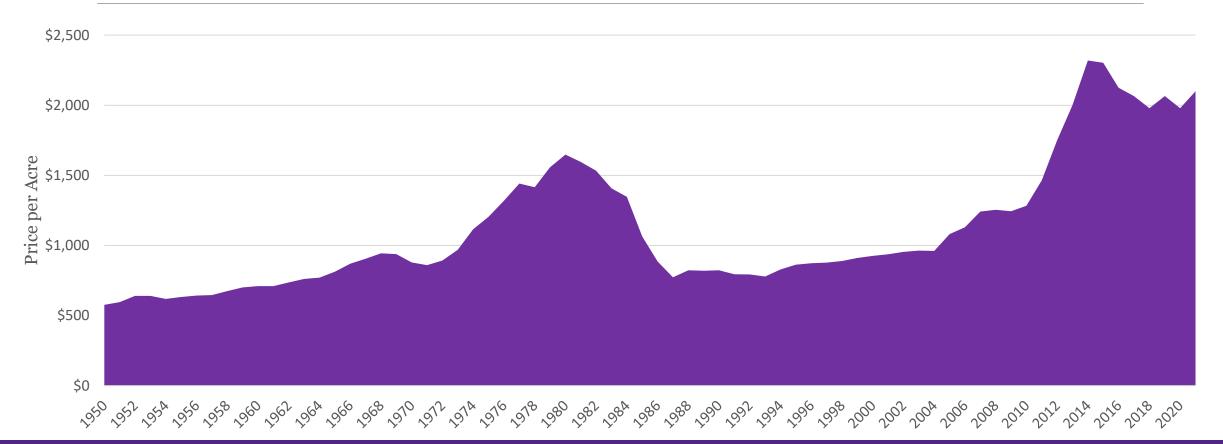
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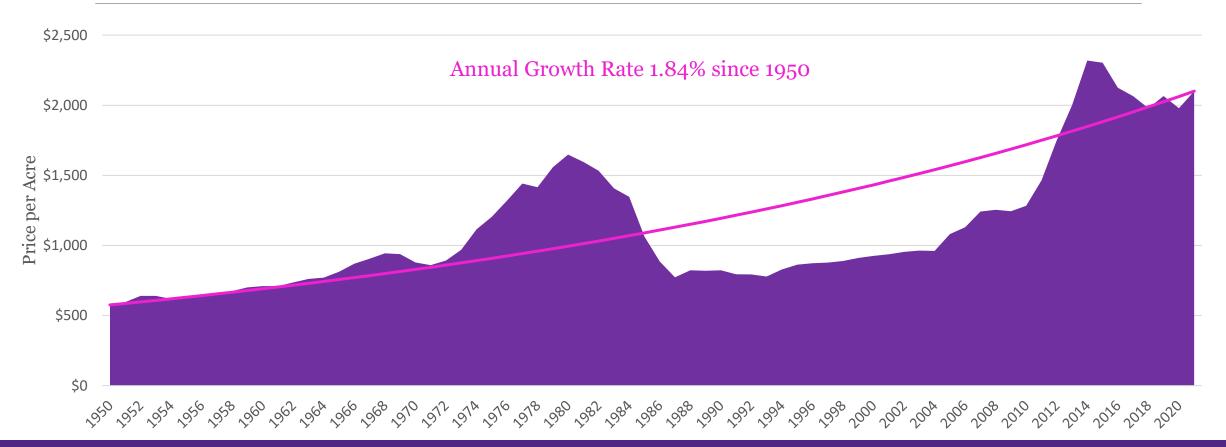
#### Inflation-Adjusted Kansas Land Values







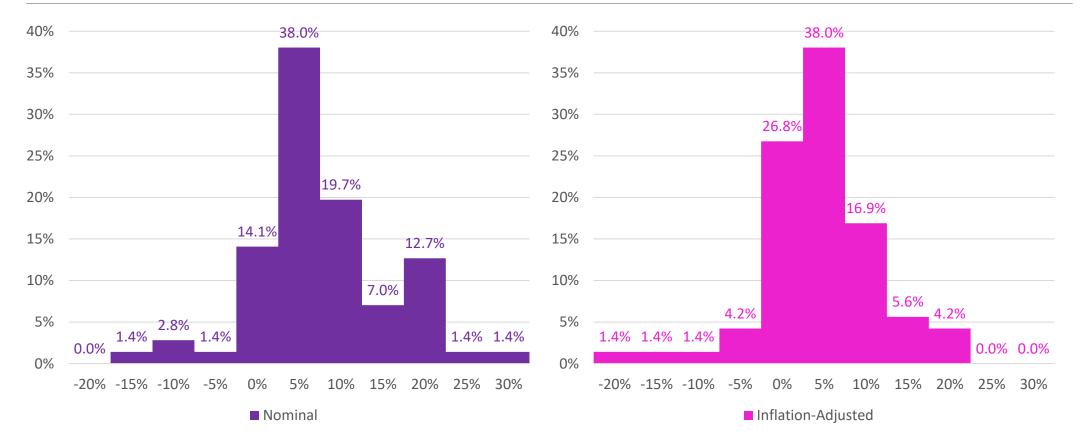
### Inflation-Adjusted Kansas Land Values







### **Distribution of Land Price Changes**



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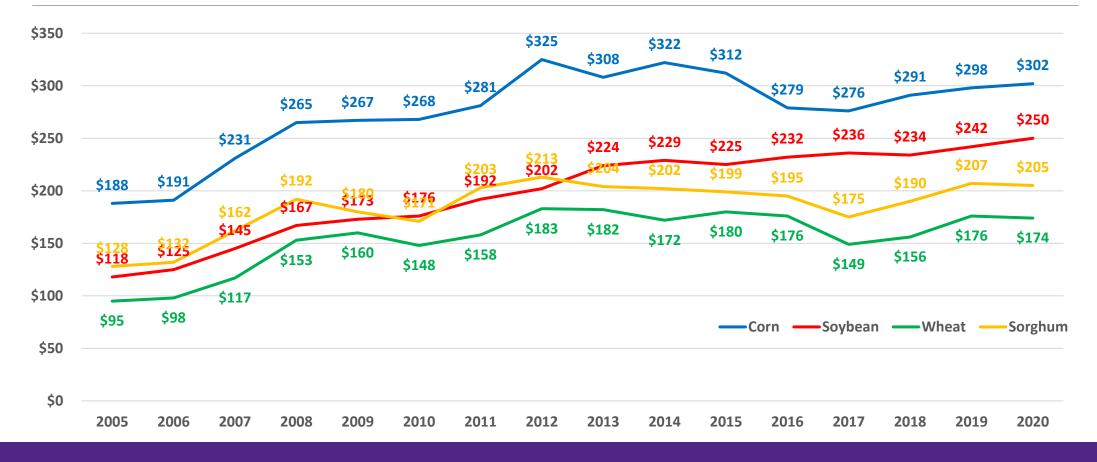
### Land Value Summary

- \*Kansas Agricultural Land Values increased by 10.5% in 2021 according to USDA (August)
- \*Kansas Inflation-Adjusted Agricultural Land Values increased by 6.1% in 2021 according to USDA
- The annual increase in Kansas Agricultural Land Values has been 4.99% since 1950
- The annual inflation-adjusted increase in Kansas Agricultural Land Values has been 1.84% since 1950
- Kansas Land Values have fallen 19.7% of the years since 1950
- \*Kansas Inflation-Adjusted Land Values have fallen 35.2% of the years since 1950
- ✤72% of the years Kansas Land Values have been between -5% and 10%
- \*82% of the years Inflation-Adjusted Kansas Land Values have been between -5% and 10%





#### KFMA Enterprise Non-Irrigated Variable Cost of Production per Acre



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#### 2020 Enterprise Information – Crop Mix Shift?

- Kansas Corn 2020 Yield 14% below the previous 5-year average (4.5% increase for 2021 over 2020)
  - Revenue \$397 per acre
  - Variable Cost \$302 per acre
  - Total Cost \$412 per acre
- Kansas Soybeans 2020 Yield 9% below previous 5-year average (2.4% increase for 2021 over 2020)
  - Revenue \$385 per acre
  - Variable Cost \$250 per acre
  - Total Cost \$366 per acre
- Kansas Wheat 2020 Yield 7% below the previous 5-year average (22.2% increase for 2021 over 2020)
  - Revenue \$208 per acre
  - Variable Cost \$174 per acre
  - Total Cost \$253 per acre
- Kansas Sorghum 2020 Yield 0% above the previous 5-year average (5.9% decrease for 2021 over 2020)
  - Revenue \$387 per acre
  - Variable Cost \$205 per acre
  - Total Cost \$297 per acre





## Shifting Crop Mix

Сгор	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	6-Year % Change
	Acres Harvested (Thousand)							
Corn	3,920	4,920	5,200	4,980	6,020	5,720	5,300	35%
Sorghum	3,200	2,950	2,360	2,650	2,450	2,800	3,350	5%
Soybean	3,860	4,010	5,110	4,690	4,490	4,750	4,800	24%
Wheat	8,700	8,200	6,950	7,300	6,500	6,250	6,900	-21%
Total	19,680	20,080	19,620	19,620	19,460	19,520	20,350	3.4%

Increase in soybean, sorghum, and wheat acres in 2021 and a decrease in corn acres





### 2022 Price Outlook

Commodity	Cash Bid (1/24)	Forward Bid (2022 Crop)	Difference
Wheat	\$7.98	\$7.77	\$0.21
Corn	\$6.31	\$5.36	\$0.95
Sorghum	\$6.56	\$5.41	\$1.15
Soybean	\$13.06	\$12.38	\$1.18

January 24, 2022 Bid at Salina Kansas





### **Crop Farm Income Estimates**

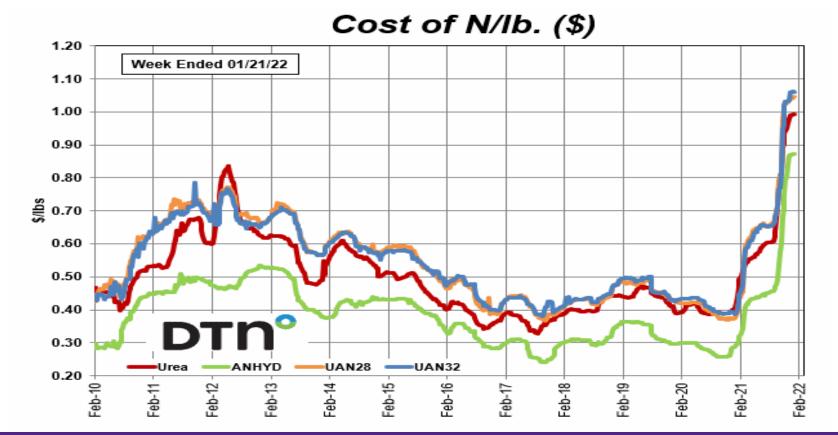
Year	Net Farm Income	Government Payments	% Government Payments
2019	\$133,012	\$95,763	72.0%
2020	\$187,209	\$80,404	42.9%
2021	\$260,881	\$54,960	21.1%
2022	\$90,472	\$0	0%

January estimates from Gregg Ibendahl





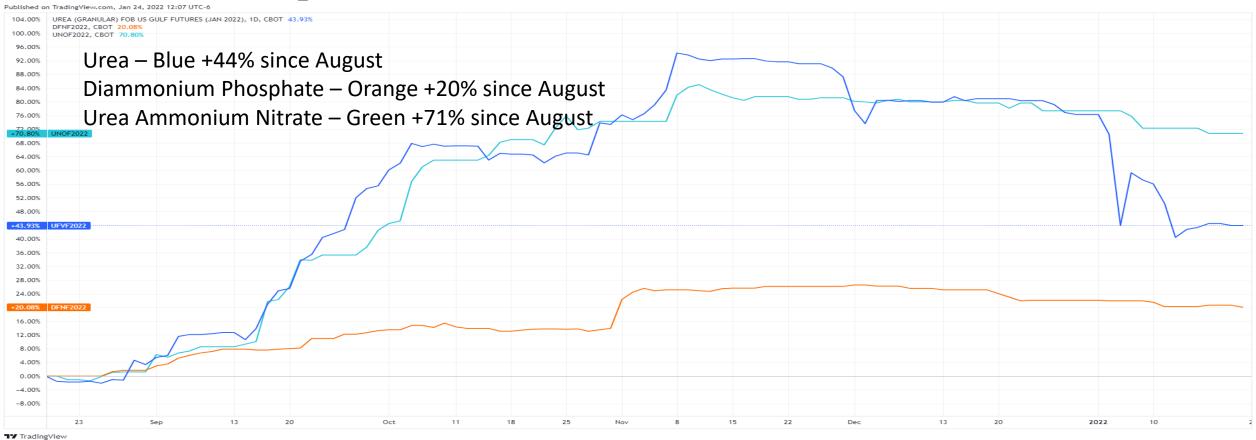
### Cost of Nitrogen per pound







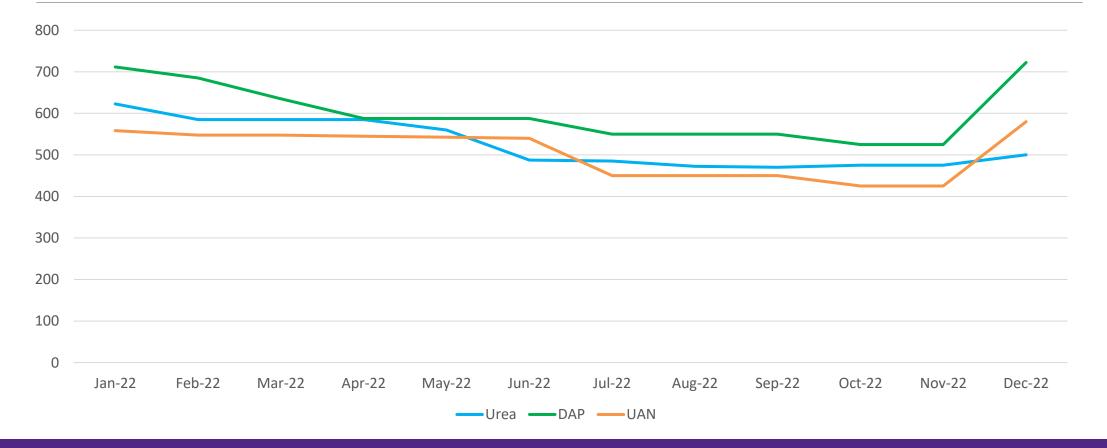
#### January 2022 Fertilizer Futures



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#### Fertilizer Futures Prices 1/24/2022







#### 2022 Non-Irrigated Crop Expense Estimates

	Per Acre						
Crop (5-yr yield)	Fertilizer/Chemical Increase	Total Expenses	Net Income				
Corn (110)	\$108	\$520	\$70				
Sorghum (90)	\$65	\$363	\$124				
Soybean (45)	\$65	\$431	\$126				
Wheat (50)	\$66	\$319	\$49				





### Summary

>At the end of 2020, Kansas has experienced 5 years of increasing net farm income on average

- > Farms with negative net income fell from 39.6% of farms in 2015 to 9.5% of farms in 2020
- > Much of that improvement was due to increasing government payments

▶2021 was the 6<sup>th</sup> year of increasing average net farm income

- ≻The probability of default improved in 2020
- >The debt to asset ratio improved in 2020
  - > 16.6% of KFMA farms had a debt to asset ratio of greater than 40%, down from 22.5% in 2018
  - 2.9% of KFMA farms had a debt to asset ratio of greater than 70%, down from 4.6% in 2018
- >The working capital to asset ratio increased for the 3rd year in a row in 2020
- ≻The capital debt repayment capacity increased for the 5<sup>th</sup> year in a row in 2020
- ≻Farmers continue to shift crop mix in Kansas
  - > Shift to Soybean, Wheat, and Sorghum in 2021 away from Corn





### Conclusions

≻Crop Farmers income will be up in 2021

≻Government Payments will be down in 2021

>2022 prospects are encouraging but will not be as high as 2020 and 2021

≻Crop expenses will be up

> Supply disruptions are concerning to the agricultural sector

≻Land values will be up in 2022



