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Housing Voucher Data for Kansas

- Of Kansas' 11,977 authorized vouchers, only 92 percent were used by families last year.
- This was an improvement over 2005 and 2006, when the voucher program was underfunded and changes in funding policy undermined the effectiveness of the program. Nevertheless, a lower percentage of Kansas' vouchers were in use in 2007 than in 2004.
- This year, housing agencies in Kansas have sufficient funds, including reserves, to assist 925 additional families, thereby using up to 100 percent of their authorized vouchers. To encourage agencies to make efficient use of these resources, agencies must be reassured that voucher renewal funding policy will be both stable and take into account the additional vouchers used by these families. Congress should enact the Section 8 Voucher Reform Act (H.R. 1851 and S. 2684) to provide confidence that renewal funding needs will be met in future years, thereby encouraging agencies to put as many of their vouchers to use as possible.

		2004	2005	2006	20	07	2008				
		% of Auth- orized Vouchers	% of Auth- orized Vouchers	% of Auth- orized Vouchers	% of Auth- orized Vouchers	Number of Vouchers	Auth- orized Vouchers as of January	Auth- orized Vouchers Funded under Renewal	Additional Auth. Vouchers That Could be Funded Using Remaining	Vouchers Funded (Counting	
Agency Name	Code	in Use	in Use	in Use	in Use	in Use	2008	Formula	Reserves	Reserves)	
Kansas Total		96%	88%	87%	92%	11,000	11,977	11,171	754	100%	
Atchison	KS017	97%	88%	75%	75%	24	32	28	4	100%	
Brown Co.	KS168	90%	80%	87%	85%	150	177	147	30	100%	
Chanute	KS062	72%	64%	64%	80%	20	25	23	2	100%	
Dodge City	KS006	95%	93%	81%	74%	99	134	113	21	100%	
Eckan	KS159	82%	80%	72%	72%	359	499	382	97	96%	
Ellis Co.	KS170	87%	81%	69%	68%	122	187	118	37	83%	
Ford Co.	KS165	98%	100%	95%	96%	383	397	397	0	100%	
Great Bend	KS041	90%	75%	76%	78%	62	80	77	3	100%	
Hays	KS091	98%	95%	95%	92%	61	66	64	2	100%	
Hutchinson	KS163	97%	97%	96%	98%	218	222	222	0	100%	
Johnson Co.	KS162	99%	97%	99%	104%	1,423	1,367	1,367	0	100%	

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						Number of Vouchers	as of January	under Renewal	be Funded Using Remaining	Vouchers Funded (Counting	
Agency Name	Code	in Use	2008	Formula	Reserves	Reserves)					
Junction City	KS105	96%	89%	85%		57	71	65	6	100%	
Kansas City	KS001	95%	64%	72%		1,341	1,469	1,353	116	100%	
Lawrence/Douglas Co.*		101%	101%	105%		611	591	591	0	100%	
Leavenworth	KS068	95%	93%	73%		217	339		111	100%	
Manhattan	KS063	96%	97%	93%		179	197	187	10	100%	
Newton	KS073	95%	59%	83%	97%	70	72		0	100%	
Olathe	KS043	100%	99%	99%		351	409	368	41	100%	
Pittsburg	KS149	98%	91%	87%	82%	352	429	389	40	100%	
Riley Co.	KS167	89%	41%	77%	88%	291	330	284	46	100%	
Salina	KS038	99%	99%	99%	99%	307	311	311	0	100%	
Sedgwick Co.	KS169	94%	88%	92%	89%	304	342	329	13	100%	
SEK-CAP Inc.	KS161	101%	91%	83%	89%	297	332	314	18	100%	
So. Central Area Agency	KS166	98%	88%	81%	88%	331	377	377	0	100%	
Topeka	KS002	100%	95%	93%	99%	1,076	1,073	1,073	0	100%	
Wichita	KS004	96%	95%	85%	94%	2,295	2,449	2,292	157	100%	

Note: Authorized voucher figures for each agency are based on data from HUD's Resident Characteristics Report. The percentage of authorized vouchers in use in each year was determined by analysis of voucher leasing data reported by housing agencies to HUD's Voucher Management System (VMS). The number of vouchers funded in 2008 under the renewal formula was calculated using actual renewal funding awards and an estimate of the additional funds assumed to be available from excess reserves (the "offset" amount); these estimates do not take into account amounts received under the \$50 million in supplemental adjustment funds available under the law. The number of additional authorized vouchers that could be funded using remaining reserves is based on estimates of each agency's fund balance at the end of 2007, excluding the 2008 offset, and per-voucher costs for 2008. Agencies marked with an asterisk are funded according to their agreements with HUD under the Moving to Work demonstration. Such agencies are permitted to shift voucher funds to support public housing.