State vs. Local Funding: Us vs. Them?

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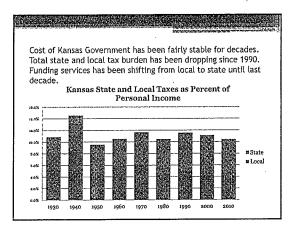
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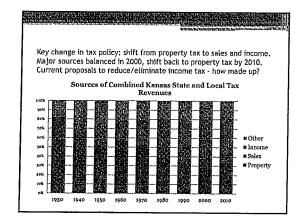
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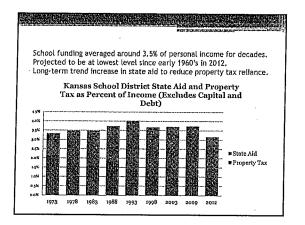
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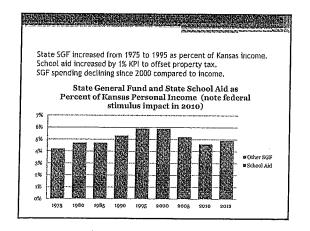
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State tax burden and education Funding

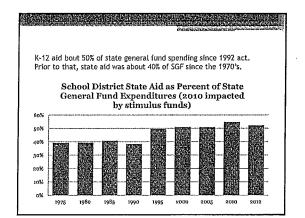


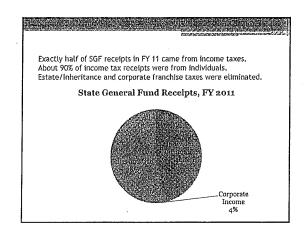






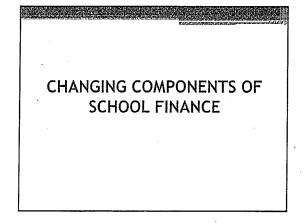
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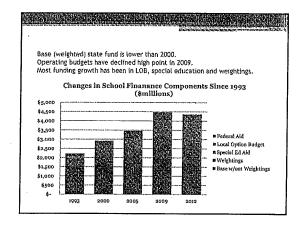


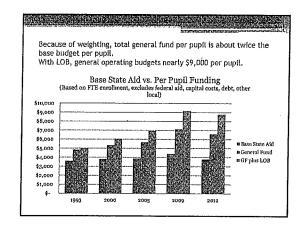


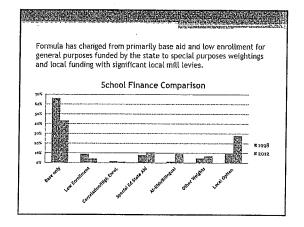
51% of total school revenues came from state aid, Almost all state aid from the state general fund. Federal aid will drop to under 10% after stimulus. School District Revenues, FY 20 (Including Stimulus) 13%	11

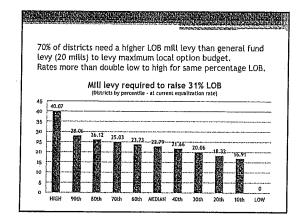
Assume 4%	om state budget director show \$1 billion deficit by 2016. revenues growth, sales tax expires, no other tax cuts, owth, mandatory caseloads, KPERS, other.
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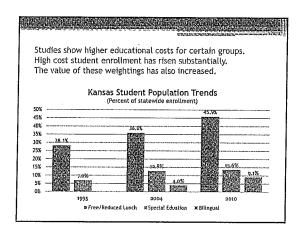








Changing Student Population



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What is Kansas getting for its education funding?

Index: Average rank on 11 indicators

Mastering the Basics before High School

Two Indicators: % all students scoring basic or above on 4th and 8th grade National Assessment of Education Progress (NAEP) reading and math tests, plus free/reduced lunch only.

High School Completion

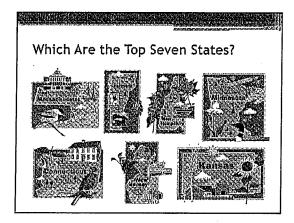
Three Indicators: two 4-year high school graduation rate estimates, plus % of population under 25 with high school diploma or equivalent.

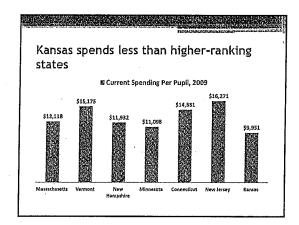
Preparation for College

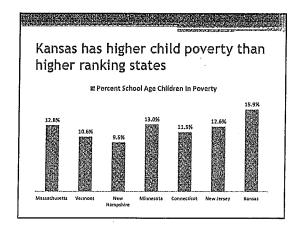
Three Indicators: State average scores on college entrance test (ACT or SAT) taken by most students in each state, percent taking majority test, plus number of high scoring students per 1,000 graduates.

Adult Education Attainment

Three Indicators: % of population 25 and older with high school diploma or equivalent, bachelor's degree or an advanced degree.







Key	/ Fi	ndi	ngs

Unlike many, Kansas in Top 20 on all measures. Examples: Florida and Texas rank 17th and 24th for mastering basics before high school, but bottom 10 in graduation and bottom 5 for college preparation. Pennsylvania 11th in high school completion but 35th in preparation for college.

Kansas ranks highest on national tests.

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Mastering basies before high sechool: 9th for all students and 5th for low income; shows positive impact of at-risk programs.

College preparation: 5th highest among ACT states, sixth best for high ACT and SAT scores per 1,000 graduates.

Index recognizes states for percent of graduates taking either ACT or SAT; scores tend to decline the more students tested. (Six states tested all graduates on ACT.)

Key Findings

Kansas lowest in high school completion: 15th Most states ranking higher have less poverty, fewer minorities or spent more

Most states ranging many money.

Two measures of students who graduate in four years or less; third measure adds students who graduate or get GED by age 24. Kansas does better in completion by young adults; impact of "drop-out recovery" programs. Missouri does better in 4-year graduation, much lower in graduates by age 24.

High attainment high school through college.

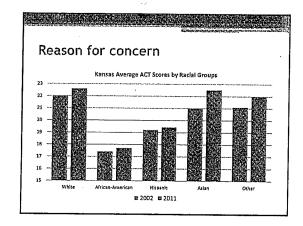
Kansas ranks 13^{th} in adult attainment (16^{th} for high school, 14^{th} for bachelor's degree, 16^{th} for advanced degree). In region, only Colorado and Minnesota are higher.

Most states either high in high school and low in college completion, or the reserve. Other regional states better in high school completion, but much worse in college degrees.

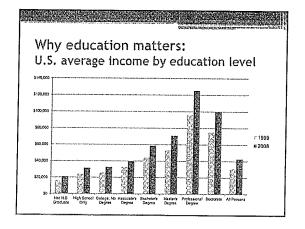
Kansas has less of a "brain drain," keeps or replaces college graduates.

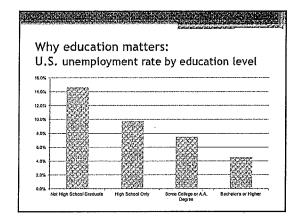
Reason for celebration Kansas and U.S. Average ACT Scores 1994-2011 21.0 20.2

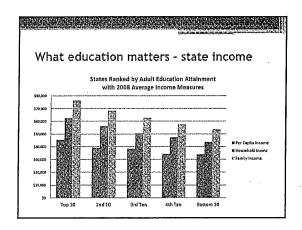
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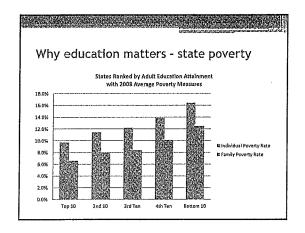


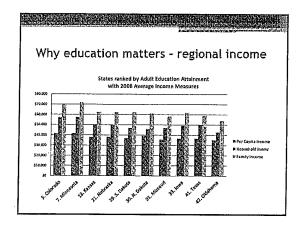
Why does education matter?

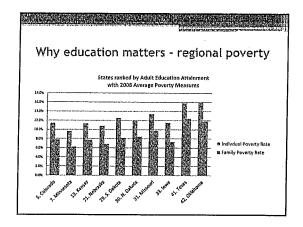


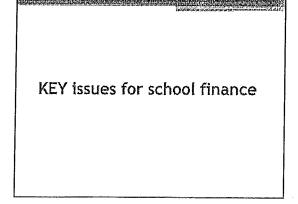












Key Choices at State Level

- Changing formula with no more money means "winner and losers."
- More local funding with less state aid means more disparity in local tax burden, programs and services.
- Cutting state revenues means cutting education, cutting other programs, or shifting to local revenue sources.
- · Should educational attainment be determined by wealth of location or special needs?

Options for Governor, Legislature

- Reduce low-enrollment weighting to encourage or force consolidation of districts or programs.
 Reduce at-risk funding to students currently "non-
- proficient" or other criteria than free lunch.
- · Reduce/eliminate bond and interest aid.
- Change weightings to block grants, sever link to
- · Raise or eliminate local option revenue limits, add local sales tax options.
- · Change special education distribution.
- Require districts to share in KPERS costs.

Questions?

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