DOUGLAS COUNTY, KS

UNEMPLOYMENT RATE CHANGE
2015-2016
-0.7PPS

JOBS GROWTH RATE
1.4%

ECONOMIC OUTPUT GROWTH RATE
2.2%

MEDIAN HOME PRICES GROWTH RATE
3.9%

RECOVERED BY 2016
YES

SIZING UP 2016
POPULATION, 2016
118,053

UNEMPLOYMENT RATE, 2016
3.0%

REAL GDP, 2016, IN 2009 DOLLARS
$3.9 Billion

AVERAGE REAL WAGES, 2016, IN 2009 DOLLARS
$26.8 Thousand

Douglas County, KS has a county government.
Douglas County is a medium-sized county in the Lawrence, KS metropolitan area.

TOP FIVE SPECIALIZED INDUSTRIES, BY EMPLOYMENT, 2016
STATE & LOCAL GOVERNMENT - 15.5 THOUSAND JOBS - 23.0%
FOOD & HOSPITALITY - 6.7 THOUSAND JOBS - 10.0%
PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES - 5.4 THOUSAND JOBS - 8.0%
OTHER SERVICES - 5.3 THOUSAND JOBS - 7.9%
EDUCATIONAL SERVICES - 1.9 THOUSAND JOBS - 2.8%

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DEFINITION OF TERMS:
(Data Sources: Woods & Poole Economics, Inc., 2016 Data and U.S. Census Bureau)
Economic output (gross domestic product – GDP): Total value of goods and services produced by a county economy, also known as GDP. Jobs: Total wage and salary jobs, whether full or part-time, temporary or permanent in a county economy. This is a measure of the number of jobs, not employed people, for all employers in a county economy, not only for the county government. Median Home Sales Price: Median sales prices of existing single-family homes in a county economy. Unemployment Rate: The proportion of the civilian labor force that is employed.

For more on the methodology and indicators, see the Key Terms document available at www.NACo.org/CountyEconomies