Farming in Kansas, 2007

- 65,531 farms, $14.4 billion total sales
- 315 farms = 50% of total Kansas farm sales
  3,268 farms = 75% of total Kansas farm sales
- $8.5 billion -- cattle
  $4.5 billion -- grains
  $376 million -- dairy
  $506 million -- hogs
- 27,565 cattle farms
  275 farms = 50% of total Kansas cattle sales
  2,141 farms = 75% of total Kansas cattle sales

(USDA Census of Agriculture)
Farming in Kansas

- Hog farms in Kansas
  1978: 13,329
  Today: 1,454 (319 hog farms = top 95% of hog sales in Kansas)

- Dairies in Kansas
  1978: 5,691
  Today: 420 (20 dairy farms = 65% of dairy cows in Kansas)

- Produce in Kansas
  1910: 140,000 Kansas acres in produce
  Today: 21,453 -- 77,000 acres are needed to feed Kansans

(USDA Census of Agriculture)
Farming in Kansas

- Farm payments, 1995-2009:
  85% of all Kansas farm payments went to 20% of Kansas farms
  1/3 of Kansas farms received no farm payments

- Kansas farmer age:
  7% of Kansas farmers are age 35 and younger
  32% are over age 65
  Average Kansas farmer age is 57

- Off-farm employment:
  24,419 Kansas operators farm full-time
  41,112 work off-farm some amount

(USDA Census of Agriculture)
Food in Kansas

✦ Of the 675 cities in Kansas, 51% have no supermarket
  (David Proctor, K-State Center for Engagement & Community Development)

✦ In Kansas communities under 2,500 population, 82 of 213 supermarkets have closed in the past 5 years (since 2007)

✦ 3,800 Wal-Marts in Kansas = 25% of total U.S. supermarket sales
  Of Wal-Mart’s $260 billion total U.S. sales, 1/2 is food

✦ Total 2010 Kansas food expenditures = $7.5 billion / $2,577 per person
  42% of that is outside the home
Food in Kansas

- Amount Kansans spend yearly on produce: $767 million
  Amount of that grown in Kansas: $32 million
  Sales at 102 Kansas farmers markets, via food stamps = $27,000

- Amount Kansas spend yearly on meats: $985 million
  No figures available for local meat sales
  Kansas meat plants: 48 custom, 42 state-inspected, 16 small/medium federal, 5 mega-plants

- Amount Kansans receive in food stamps = $450 million (303,000 recipients)
Food in Kansas

• 60% of Kansas adults and 1/3 of children are overweight or obese
  Annual cost of obesity disease in Kansas: $561 million
  (Kansas Health Institute, khi.org)

• Only 10% of Kansans eat at least 2 vegetables and 3 fruits daily
  (Centers for Disease Control)
Other models

“Farm to Fork”: Building North Carolina’s Food Economy
10% Campaign --

4,423 individuals and 414 businesses have spent $9.5 million locally since July 2010

http://www.ncsu.edu/project/nc10percent/index.php