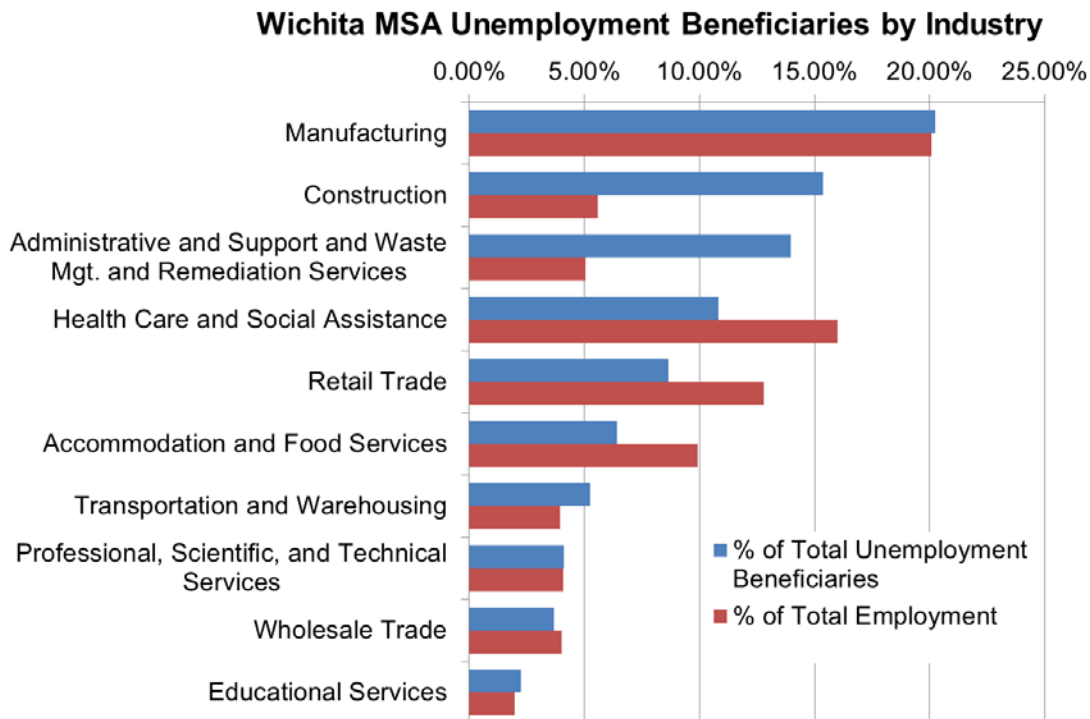


Industry and Geography Profile of Wichita Unemployment Insurance Beneficiaries Q2 2015

The Bureau of Labor Statistics defines an unemployed person as one 16 years and older having no employment and having made specific efforts to find employment in the past four weeks. By this definition, there was an average of 15,269 unemployed people in the Wichita metropolitan area in the second quarter of 2015, approximately 57 percent of whom collected unemployment insurance benefits.¹ In the second quarter of 2015 there were approximately 8,637 people, age 16 and over, who collected unemployment insurance benefits. That is an increase of approximately 13 percent from the first quarter of 2015. The Kansas Department of Labor has provided data on these unemployment insurance beneficiaries, including the industry from which they were separated.



Source: Kansas Department of Labor, U.S. Census Bureau, 2013 County Business Patterns

¹ The Kansas Department of Labor provided detailed unemployment beneficiary demographic and industry data for first quarter 2015 at the county level, which was aggregated to the Wichita MSA.

In the second quarter of 2015, three industries accounted for 49.6 percent of unemployment insurance beneficiaries in the Wichita area; manufacturing, construction, and administrative and support and waste management and remediation services. Three industries, construction, administrative and support and waste management and remediation services, and transportation and warehousing had a proportionately high level of unemployment insurance, when compared to area employment.

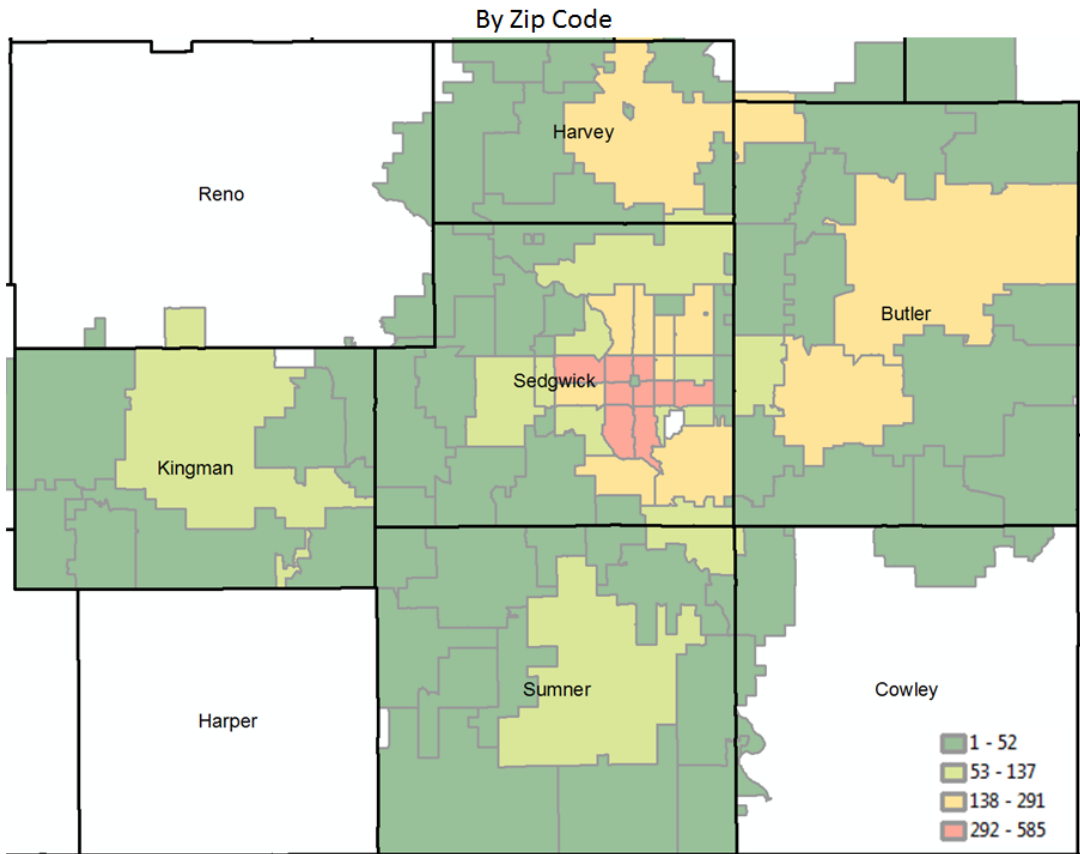
Wichita MSA	Unemp. Ins. Beneficiaries Q1 2015		Ind. as a % of Total Emp.	Change from Q4 2014
Construction	1,703	22.4%	5.6%	(155)
Manufacturing	1,328	17.4%	20.1%	(964)
Administrative and Support and Waste Mgt. and Remediation Services	1,167	15.3%	5.1%	(219)
Retail Trade	702	9.2%	12.8%	18
Health Care and Social Assistance	671	8.8%	16.0%	68
Accommodation and Food Services	381	5.0%	9.9%	(13)
Wholesale Trade	275	3.6%	4.0%	(1,130)
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	265	3.5%	4.1%	3
Transportation and Warehousing	259	3.4%	3.9%	(39)
Other or Not Reported	148	1.9%	0.0%	(9)
Other Services (except Public Administration)	146	1.9%	4.4%	(17)
Educational Services	110	1.4%	2.0%	(48)
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	98	1.3%	1.7%	14
Finance and Insurance	83	1.1%	4.2%	4
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	82	1.1%	0.6%	22
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	75	1.0%	1.7%	15
Information	67	0.9%	1.8%	(12)
Utilities	19	0.2%	0.4%	10
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	16	0.2%	0.0%	(1)
Management of Companies and Enterprises	16	0.2%	1.7%	2
Total	7,611	100.0%	100.0%	(1,480)

Source: Kansas Department of Labor, U.S. Census Bureau 2013 County Business Patterns

Unemployment Beneficiaries by Zip Code

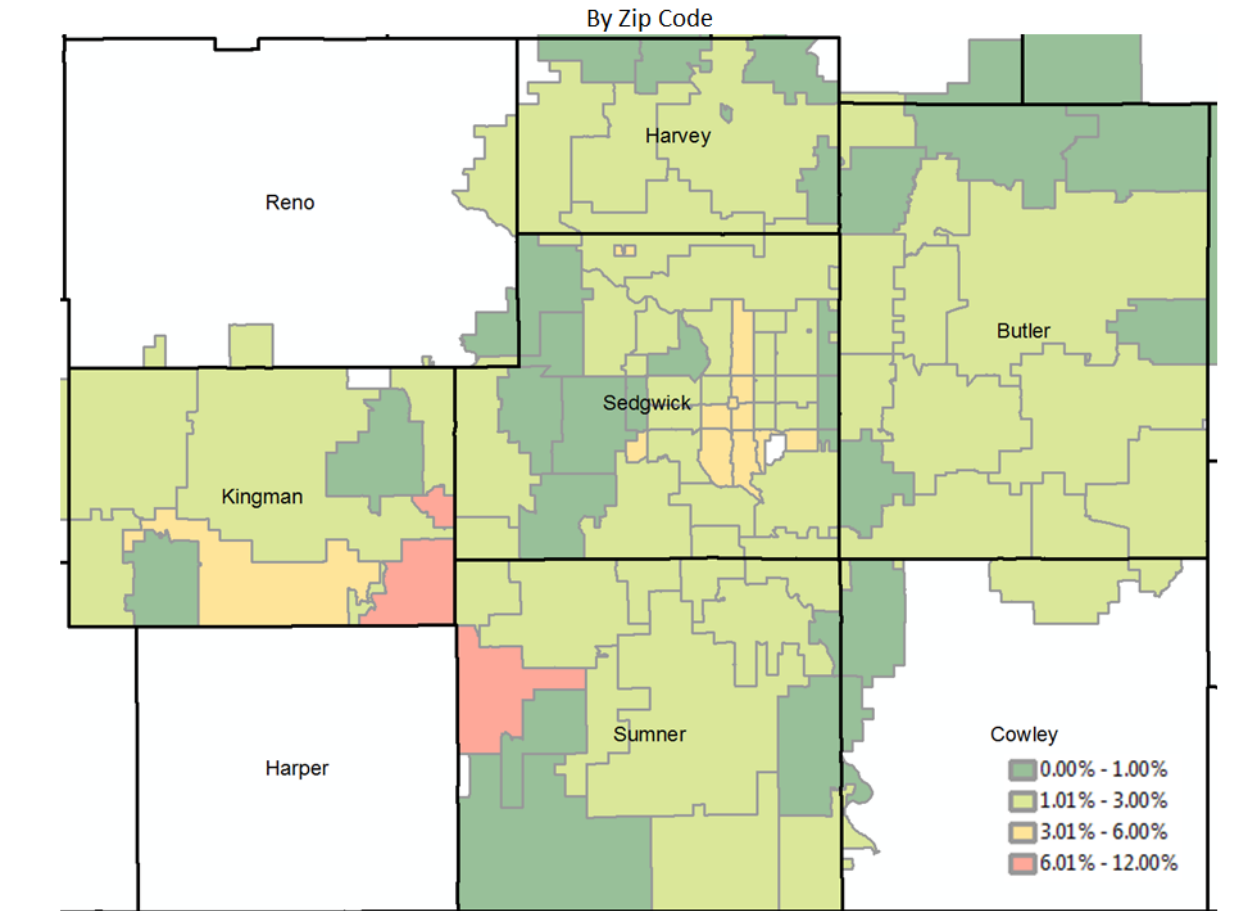
Across the metropolitan area the zip codes with the highest numbers of unemployment insurance beneficiaries in the second quarter were in downtown Wichita. The zip codes with the highest numbers of unemployment insurance beneficiaries are generally the zip codes with the highest number of workers.

Wichita MSA Unemployment Beneficiaries



When the number of unemployment beneficiaries is looked at relative to the size of the labor force in each zip code, the zip codes around downtown Wichita continue to show a high density of unemployment insurance beneficiaries. The high number of unemployment beneficiaries in most outlying zip codes is simply a reflection of the high density of workers in those areas. The exceptions would be a high density of unemployment insurance beneficiaries in Argonia and Norwich from the iron foundry in the area.

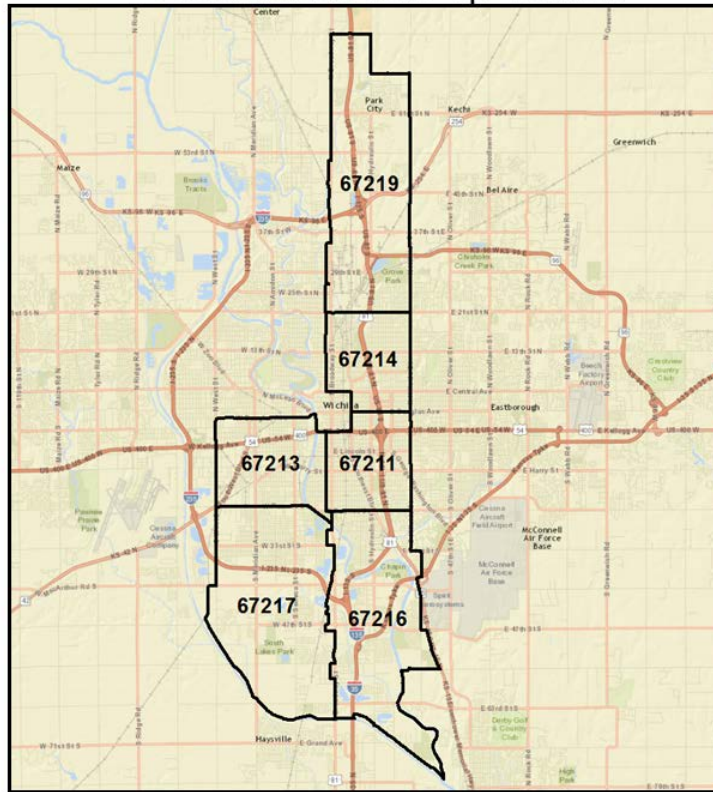
Wichita MSA Unemployment Beneficiaries as a Percent of the Average Labor Force



Unemployment Beneficiaries in High Density Zip Codes

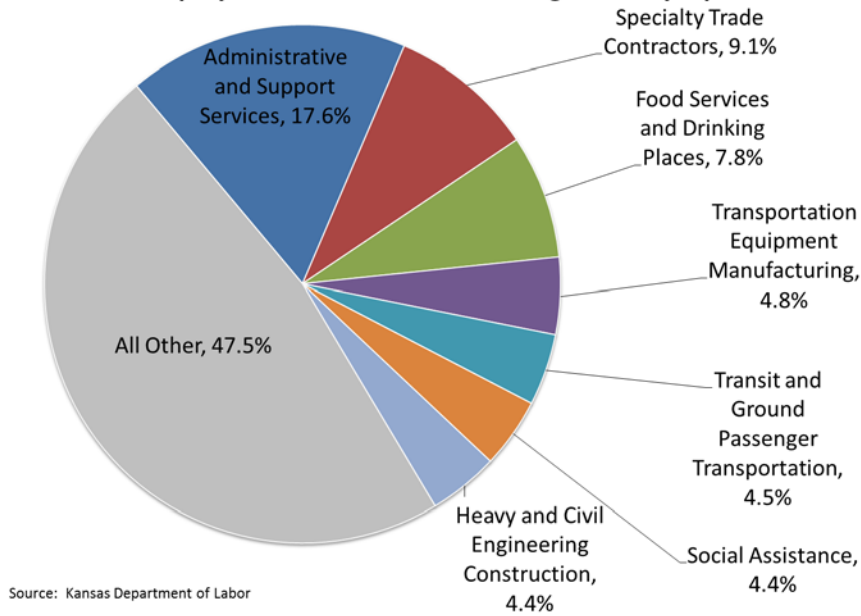
There are six zip codes in the downtown Wichita area that have a high level, and a high density, of unemployment insurance beneficiaries. In the second quarter of 2015, 22.7 percent of the unemployment beneficiaries in the Wichita metropolitan area were from these six zip codes.

Wichita MSA High Unemployment Beneficiaries Zip Codes



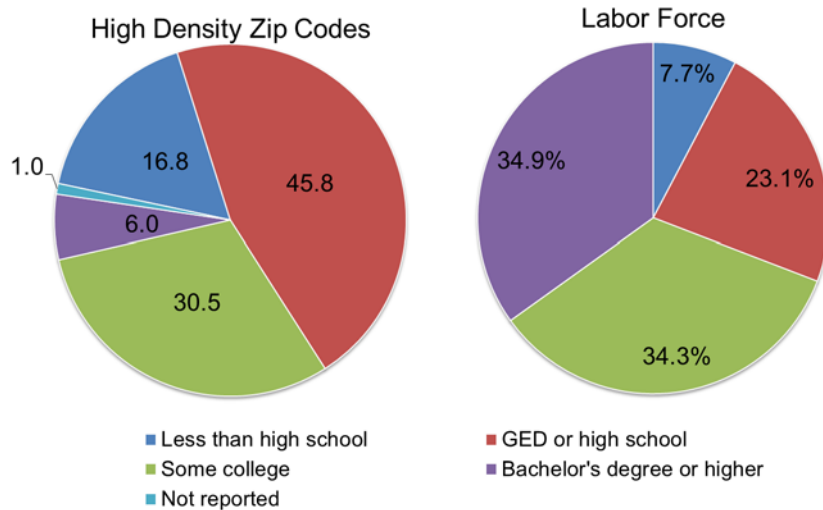
The unemployment insurance beneficiaries in these zip codes are more likely to come from service industries and construction industries. The highest percentage come from administrative and support services at 17.6 percent. The second highest is from the construction industry at 13.5 percent. There are 9.1 percent from specialty trade contractors and an additional 4.4 percent in heavy and civil engineering construction.

Unemployment Beneficiaries from High Density Zip Codes



Educational attainment is a leading indicator of unemployment. The higher the level of education, the less likely a person will be unemployed. In the Wichita area 30.8 percent of the labor force, age 25 to 64, have no more education than a high school diploma. Of those receiving unemployment benefits, 53 percent have no more education than a high school diploma. In the high density zip codes 62.6 percent have no more education than a high school diploma.

Educational Attainment Wichita MSA*



Unemployment beneficiaries in the high density zip codes tend to be younger than the general labor force. There are 64.5 percent of beneficiaries less than 45 years old compared to 57.9 percent in the labor force. Unemployment beneficiaries in the high density zip codes are also much more likely to be of a minority race than in the labor force in general.

High Density Zip Codes		
Wichita MSA	Labor Force	Unemployment Ins. Benef.
Age - 16 years and over		
16 to 24	15.7%	12.5%
25 to 44	42.2%	52.0%
45 to 64	38.1%	32.7%
65 and over	4.0%	2.9%
Race - 16 years and over		
White	85.8%	56.2%
Black or African American	7.0%	28.3%
Asian	3.6%	2.1%
American Ind. and Alas. Native	0.8%	1.7%
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Isl.	0.1%	1.3%
Other or not reported	2.6%	10.3%
Gender - 16 years and over		
Male	53.3%	54.1%
Female	46.7%	45.9%

Source: Kansas Department of Labor, U.S. Census Bureau

CEDBR has this unemployment insurance data available for all Kansas counties and zip codes.

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