

Latinxs in the Midwest: Kansas City's Placemaking



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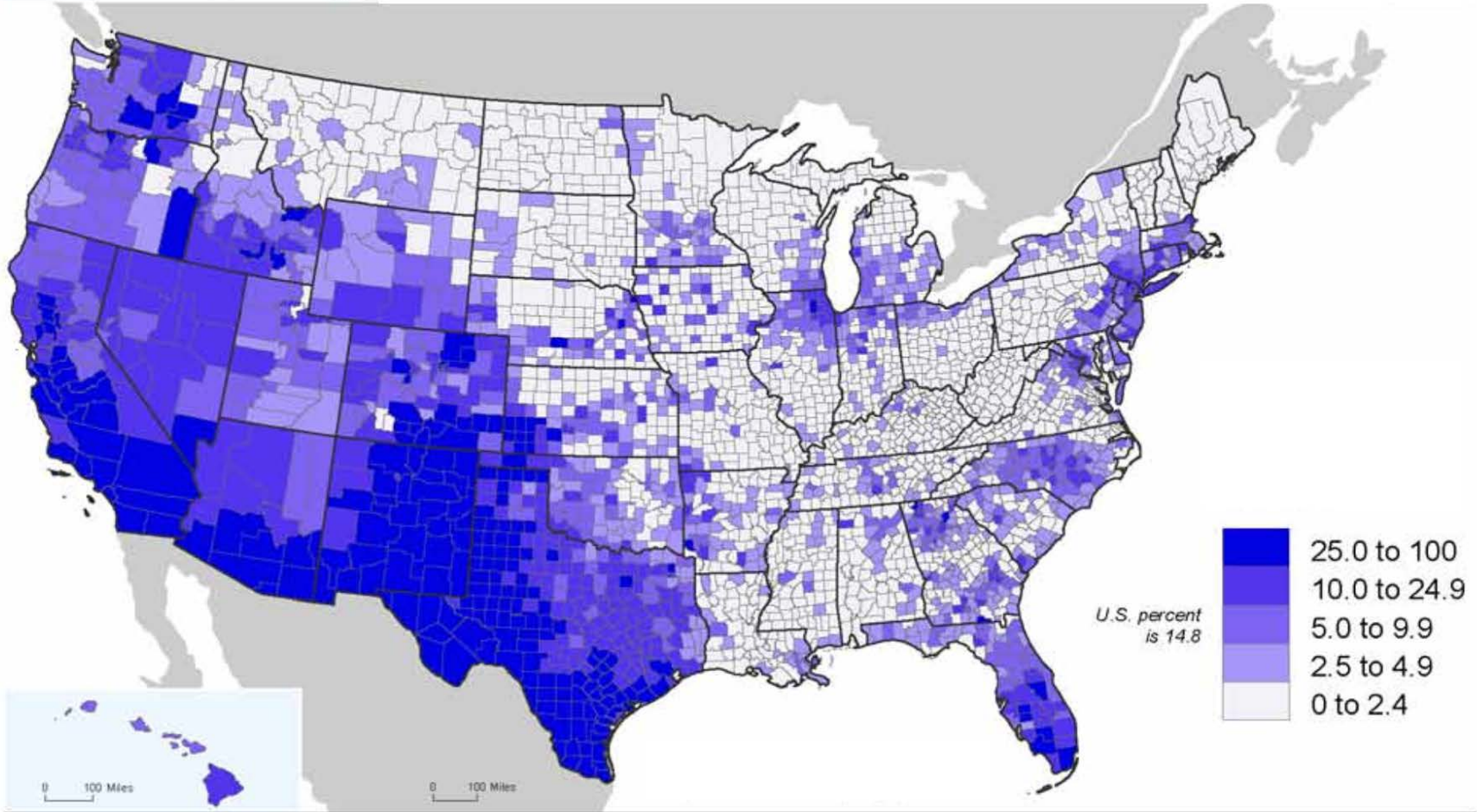
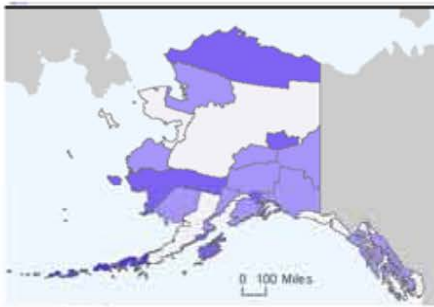
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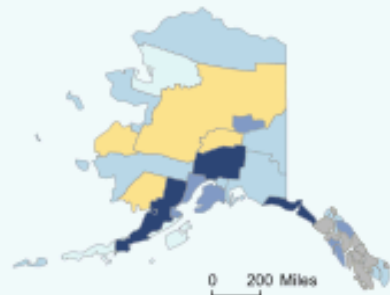
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HISPANIC DISTRIBUTION 2006

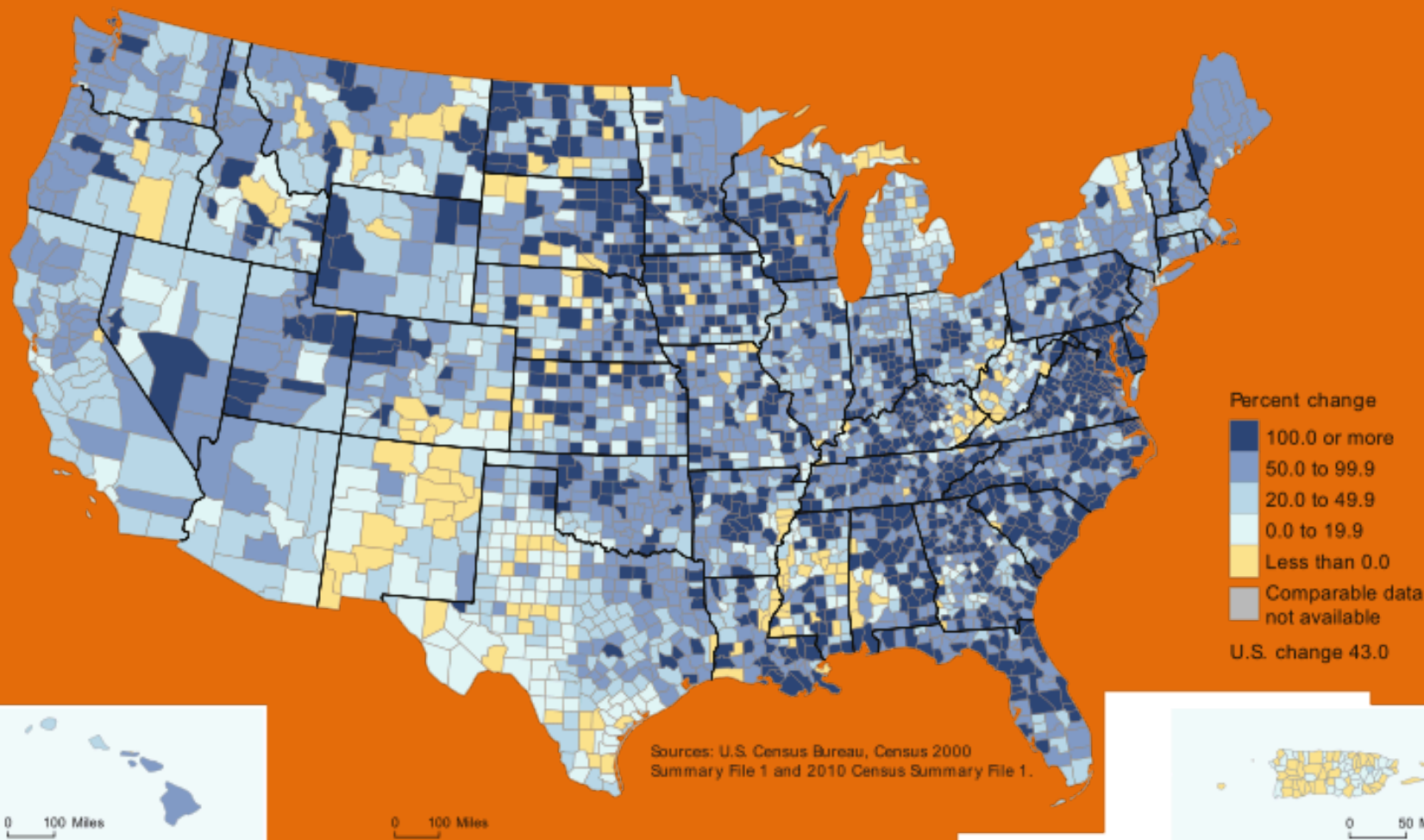
BY PERCENT OF COUNTY POPULATION



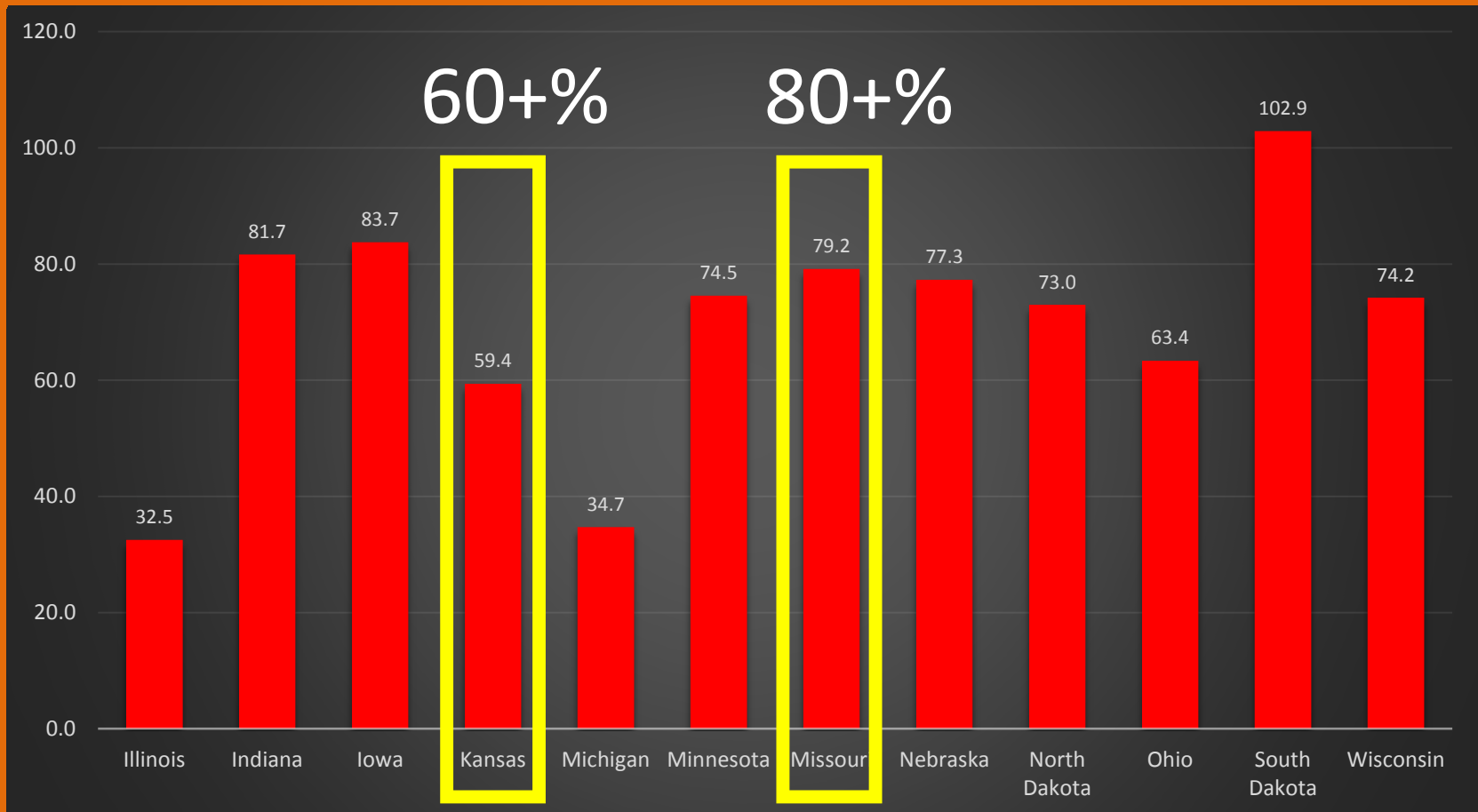


Percent Change in Hispanic or Latino Population by County: 2000 to 2010

(For information on confidentiality protection, nonsampling error, and definitions, see www.census.gov/prod/cen2010/doc/sf1.pdf)



% Change in Latinx Population in Midwest States, 2000-2010



Rogelio Sáenz. "Latinos and the Changing Demography of the Heartland: Implications for the Future of the Midwest"

Latinxs in Missouri

MISSOURI: PLACE OF BIRTH (HISPANIC) IN THE UNITED STATES ESTIMATES 2010-2015

2015

91,966

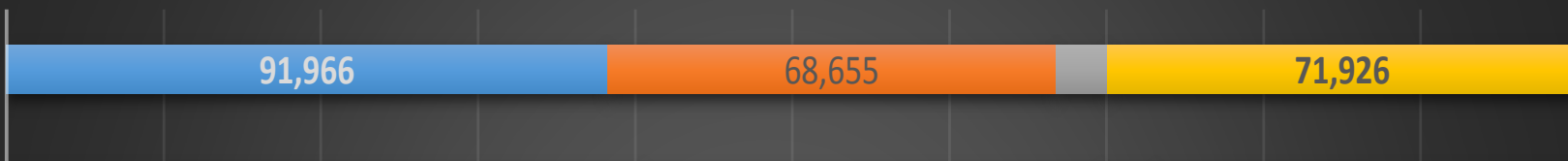
68,655

71,926

Born in MO

Born in other US states

Foreign born





Latinxs in Kansas City

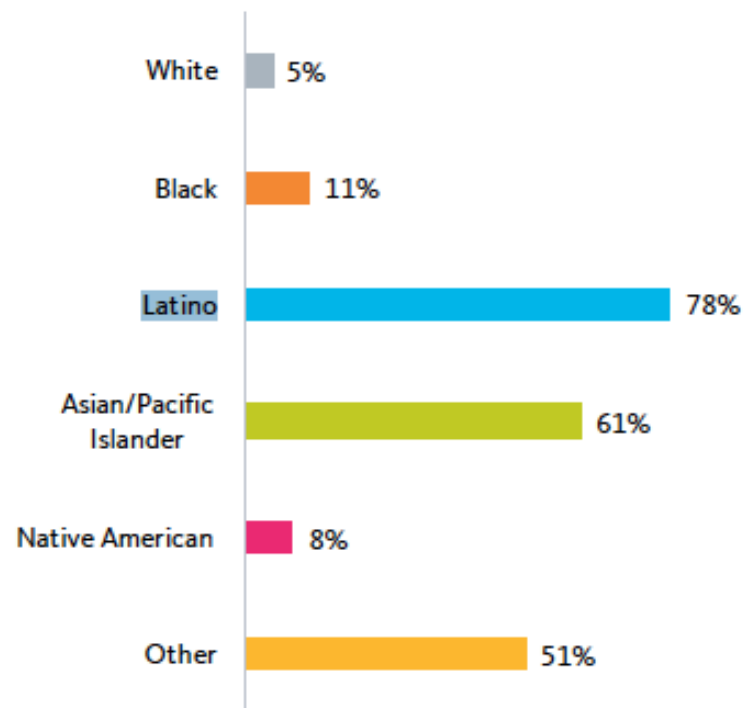
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Demographics

Latinos are leading the region's growth

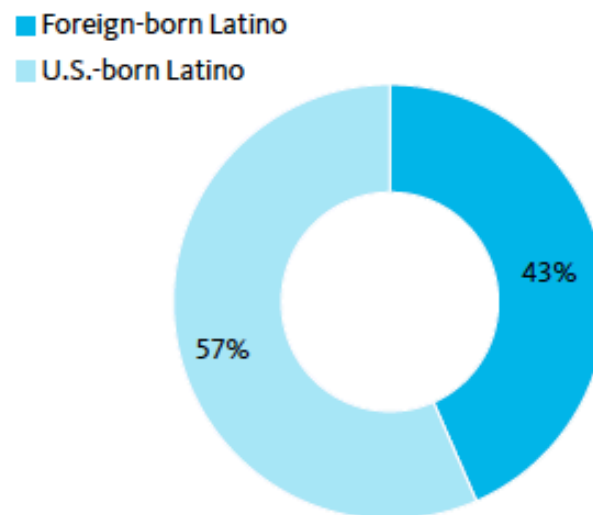
The Latino and Asian populations had the fastest growth in the past decade, while the white population had the slowest growth

6. Growth Rates of Major Racial/Ethnic Groups, 2000 to 2010



Latino population growth was mainly due to births among U.S.-born Latinos, and vice versa for the Asian population

7. Share of Net Growth in Latino and Asian Population by Nativity, 2000 to 2006-2010



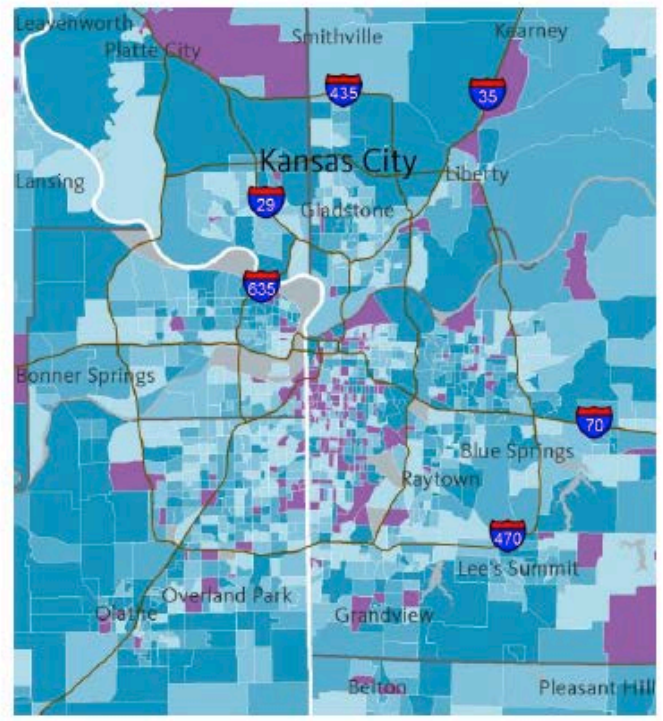
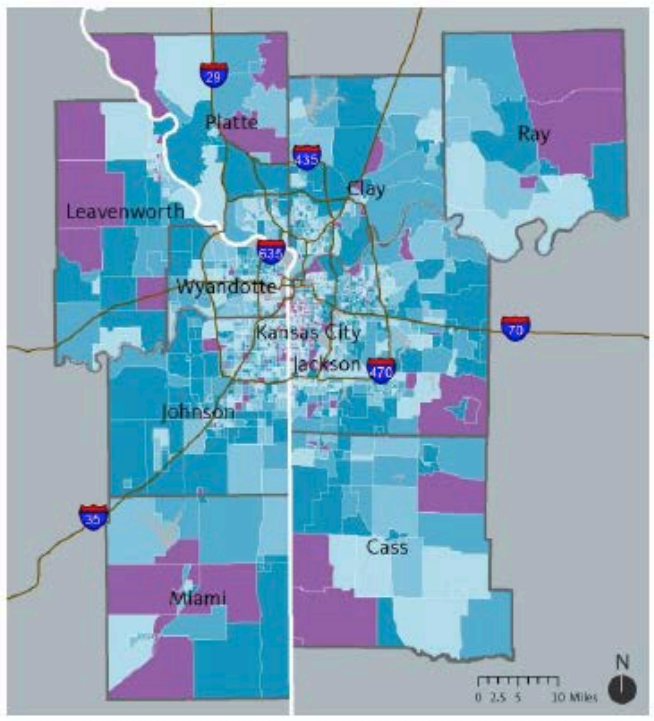
Demographics

People of color are driving growth throughout the region

Significant growth in the Latino population throughout the region

10. Percent Change in the Latino Population by Census Block Group, 2000 to 2010

- Decline
- Less than 54% increase
- 54% to 104% increase
- 105% to 200% increase
- 201% or more increase



Sources: U.S. Census Bureau; Geolytics.

Note: To more accurately visualize change, block groups with a small populations (50 or fewer people in either 2000 or 2010) were excluded from the analysis. Excluded block groups are shaded in white.

History and political economy matters

Monopolistic
SSA
(1870-1930s)

Keynesian
SSA
(1940s-1970s)

Neoliberal
SSA
(1980s-)

Global Capitalist Accumulation

INSTITUTIONAL
ARRANGEMENTS

Cultural

Political

Economic

Ideological

Growth

Instability

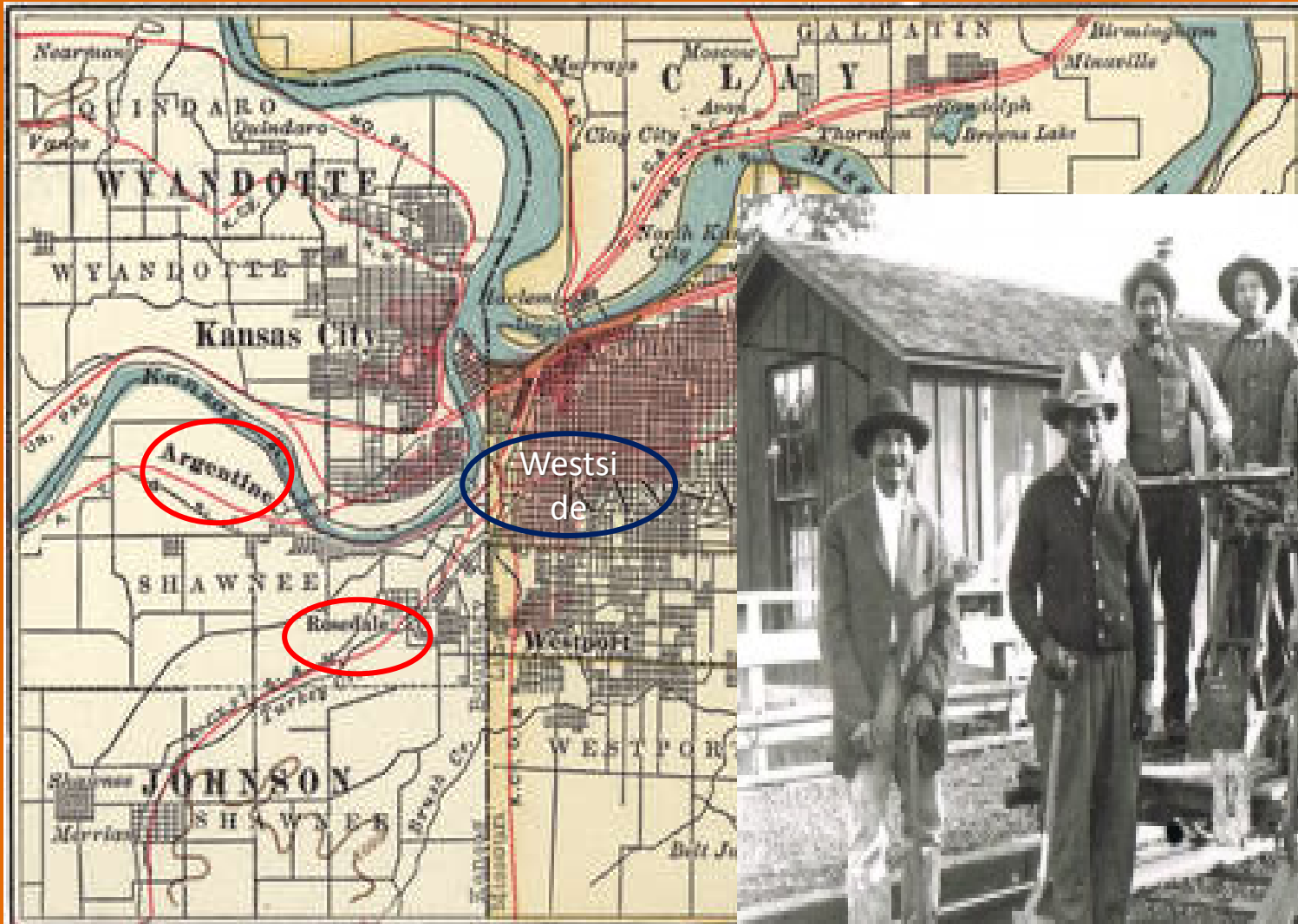
Stagnation

Crisis



The monopolistic social structure of accumulation 1900–1930s: Segregation

Map of Kansas City, KS, and Kansas City, MO - circa 1900



Track workers circa 1920s

Source: Kansas Humanities Council

Map of Kansas City, Kansas, circa 1900, from the 10th edition of Encyclopedia Britannica.
Source: <https://www.illustrationsource.com/stock/image/512631/map-of-kansas-city-kansas-circa-1900-from-the-10th-edition-of-encyclopaedia-britannica/>

The Keynesian SSA of the postwar period: 1940s–1980s

Placemaking: Racialized urban programs

- Racial and residential segregation
- Top-down planning
- Urban renewal
- Community resistance and social services

Southwest Trafficway Circa 1950s

Source:

<http://www.linecreekloudmouth.com/blog/2013/09/southwest-trafficway-circa-1950s.html%20>



Guadalupe Centers

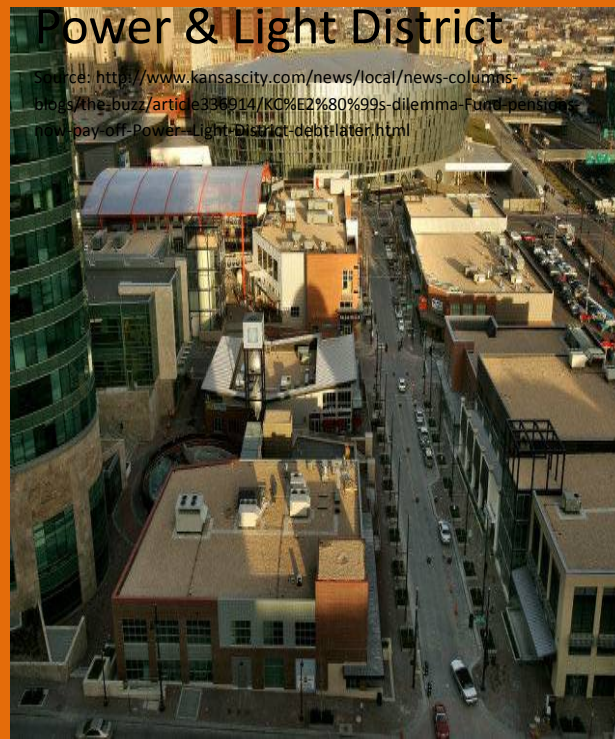
Source: <http://guadalupecenters.org/home/who-we-are/>

The Neoliberal SSA: 1980s–

Placemaking:

Accumulation by dispossession
and gentrification

- Neoliberal urbanism
- Community activism and planning



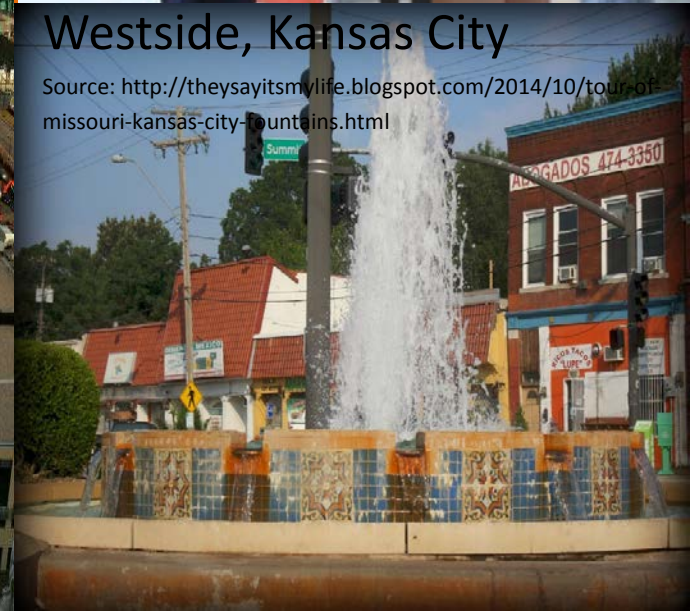
Westside Housing Organization

Source: WHO. 2013. "Reconnect Westside: Connectivity and Revitalization Plan." <http://www.westsidehousing.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/01/Reconnect-Westside-Plan.pdf>.



Westside, Kansas City

Source: <http://theysayitsmylife.blogspot.com/2014/10/tour-of-missouri-kansas-city-fountains.html>



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Thanks!