

STATE PROFILE

Kansas

Direct Care Workforce State Index Ranking

Kansas

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Tier 3: 26-38

KEY STATE CHARACTERISTICS

48,120

Number of Direct Care
Workers, 2023

7,200

Direct Care Workforce
Growth, 2022 - 2032

83,600

Direct Care Workforce Total
Job Openings, 2022 - 2032

87%

Women, 2022

28%

People of Color, 2022

8%

Immigrants, 2022

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Direct Care Workforce Policies

State policies that improve direct care worker compensation, training, and access to employment (via matching service registries).

| | Score | Year |
|---|-------|------|
| Personal Care Aide Training Standards Key Provisions | 0/10 | 2024 |
| Home Health Aide Training Standards Exceed Federal Minimum | Yes | 2016 |
| Nursing Assistant Training Standards Exceed Federal Minimum | Yes | 2016 |
| Dollar-Amount Wage-Pass Through Policy (Current) | Yes | 2024 |
| Percentage Wage-Pass Through Policy (Current) | No | 2024 |
| State-Funded Matching Service Registry | Yes | 2024 |

Universal Labor Policies

State policies that support all workers ability to access health insurance, take paid time off, collectively bargain, achieve greater economic stability, and access/maintain employment without discrimination.

| | Score | Year |
|---|-------|------|
| Minimum Wage Exceed Federal Minimum Wage | No | 2024 |
| Medicaid Expansion | No | 2023 |
| Paid Sick Leave | No | 2024 |
| Paid Family and Medical Leave | No | 2024 |
| Union-Supportive Legal Environments | No | 2023 |
| Refundable State Earned Income Tax Credit | Yes | 2023 |
| Non-Refundable State Earned Income Tax Credit | No | 2023 |
| Protections for LGBTQ+ Workers | Yes | 2023 |

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| | Score | Year |
|--------------------------|----------|------|
| Median Wage | \$13.51 | 2022 |
| Wage Competitiveness | -\$3.71 | 2022 |
| Median Personal Earnings | \$22,147 | 2022 |
| Low-Income Household | 36% | 2022 |
| Housing Cost-Burdened | 28% | 2022 |
| Uninsured | 18% | 2022 |