

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2010-2014	2014-2018	2010-2014	2014-2018
Blue Springs , MO	52,683	52,777	53,003	53,174	53,489	54,016	54,397	54,852	55,104	1.5%	3.0%	806	1,615
De Soto, KS	5,724	5,785	5,863	5,915	6,026	6,072	6,092	6,106	6,443	5.3%	6.9%	302	417
Gardner , KS	19,216	20,014	20,373	20,626	20,789	21,052	21,394	21,588	21,871	8.2%	5.2%	1,573	1,082
Kansas City, MO	460,737	462,356	464,607	467,243	470,678	475,069	481,626	488,266	491,918	2.2%	4.5%	9,941	21,240
Kearney, MO	8,475	8,692	8,843	9,029	9,238	9,396	9,755	10,053	10,457	9.0%	13.2%	763	1,219
Lee's Summit, MO	91,525	91,911	92,371	92,969	93,731	94,858	96,012	97,123	98,461	2.4%	5.0%	2,206	4,730
Overland Park, KS	174,041	176,020	178,687	180,948	184,011	186,224	189,272	191,322	192,536	5.7%	4.6%	9,970	8,525
Raymore , MO	19,275	19,357	19,530	19,681	19,891	20,241	20,697	21,139	21,784	3.2%	9.5%	616	1,893
Smithville , MO	8,427	8,587	8,717	8,908	9,049	9,207	9,429	9,785	10,249	7.4%	13.3%	622	1,200
Olathe, KS	126,249	128,295	129,945	131,789	132,839	134,279	135,883	137,501	139,605	5.2%	5.1%	6,590	6,766
Parkville, MO	5,574	5,670	5,779	5,926	6,094	6,315	6,536	6,772	6,949	9.3%	14.0%	520	855

In this analysis, I selected a variety of cities in the metro area and compared their growth rates over 2 4-year periods (2010-14 and 2014-18). These periods seemed to align with William Frey's analysis in the article.

**In general, I would say the KC metro is exhibiting a bit more balanced population trend compared to some of the cities highlighted in the article.**

Yes, we too are seeing faster growth in some of the more outlying suburban cities like De Soto, Kearney, Raymore and Smithville, Kansas City, Missouri is also growing. In fact, in pure numbers, it is the fastest growing city over the 2014 to 2018 time frame. Kansas City is a bit different than a lot of other central cities in that it has a lot of undeveloped land within it that is seeing suburban style growth.

