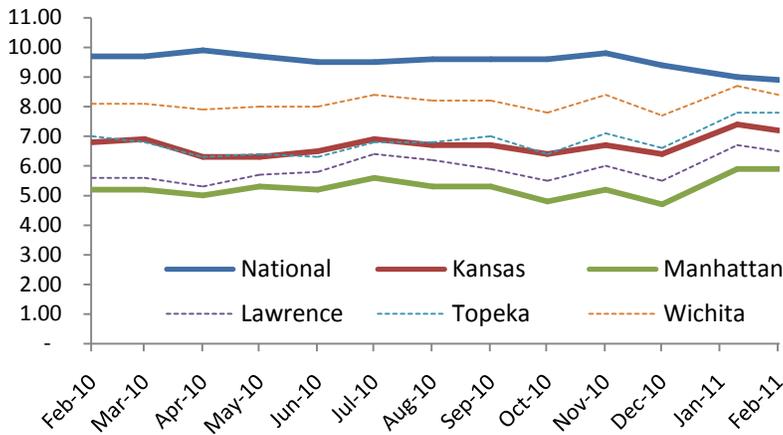


# City of Manhattan Economic Snapshot

## February 2011

### Community Position

#### Unemployment Rate



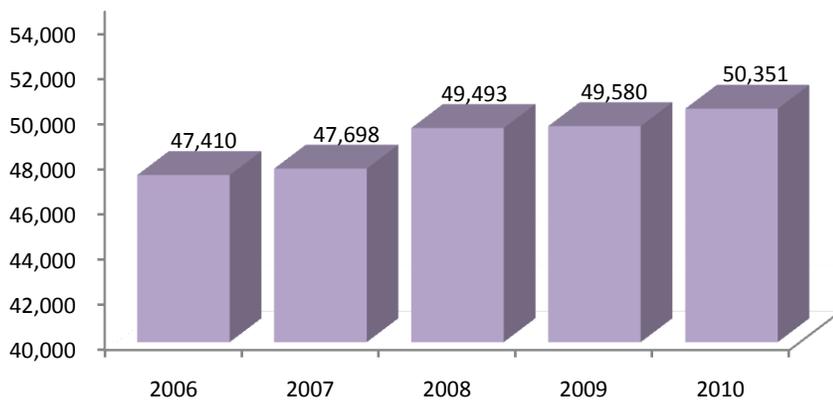
Unemployment rates listed for Manhattan, Lawrence, Topeka, and Wichita are a measure of the entire Metropolitan Statistical Area.

Source: United States Department of Labor: [www.bls.gov](http://www.bls.gov)  
 Kansas Department of Labor: [www.klic.dol.ks.gov](http://www.klic.dol.ks.gov)

Consumer Price Index (CPI), the most commonly used measure of inflation, is the average change over time in the prices paid by urban consumers for goods and services. For a detailed report of the Midwest Region, please view the link below.

<http://www.bls.gov/ro7/cpimdw.pdf>

#### Growth Indicators - Vehicle Registrations



It should be noted that non-Kansas military personnel have the option of registering in the county they reside in or in their home state of record.

Source: Riley County Treasurer's Office

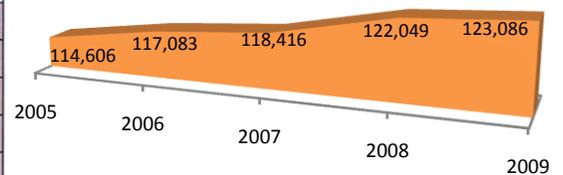
#### Military Population

Demographic Category	2005	2011 (Current)	2012 (Potential)	2015 (Potential)
Authorized Soldiers	9,500	18,200	17,900	17,800
Potential Families at Ft. Riley	6,000	11,800	11,650	11,550
Actual families at Ft. Riley	4,500	8,750	10,250	10,200
# of Families Living on Post	3,000	3,350	3,350	3,300
Civilians	5,800	8,400	8,400	8,400

Source: Community Partnership Conference, March 1, 2011

#### Metropolitan Statistical Area Population

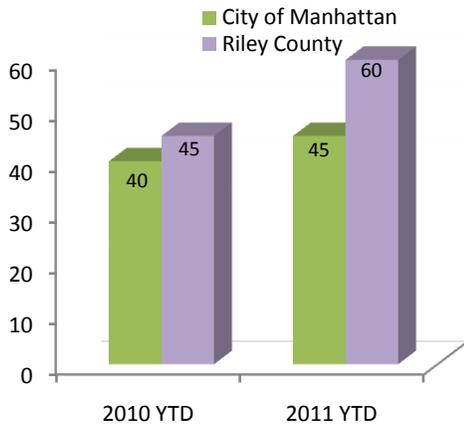
Comprised of Geary, Riley, and Pottawatomie Counties



Source: U.S. Census Bureau - Population Estimates by Statistical Area

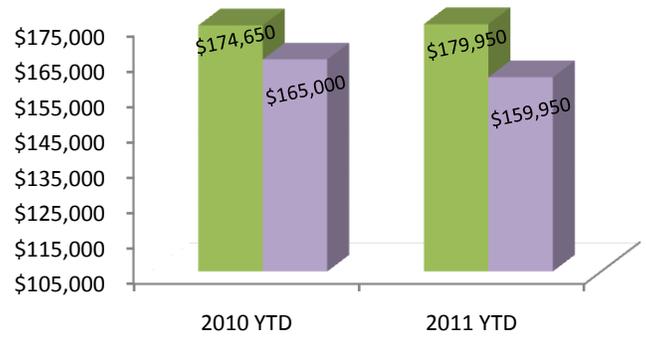
# Housing & Retail

## Sold Listings



Source: Riley County Appraiser's Office  
 This information is based upon the Multiple Listing Service and does not include homes that are listed and sold by owner.

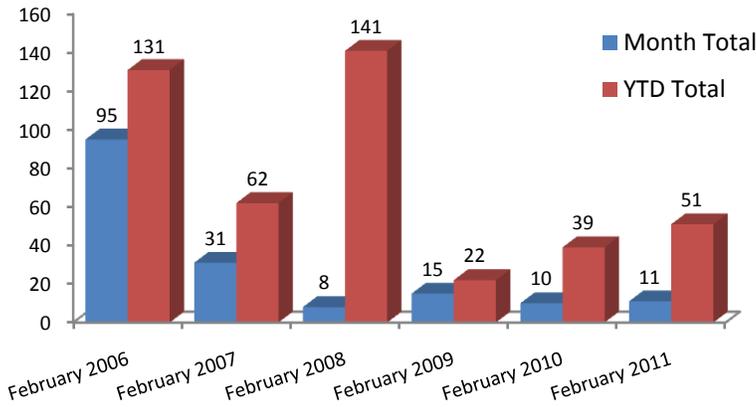
## Median Sales Price



National Median Sales Price, February 2011: \$156,100

Source: Riley County Appraiser's Office  
 National Association of Realtors  
<http://www.realtor.org/research/research/chsdata>

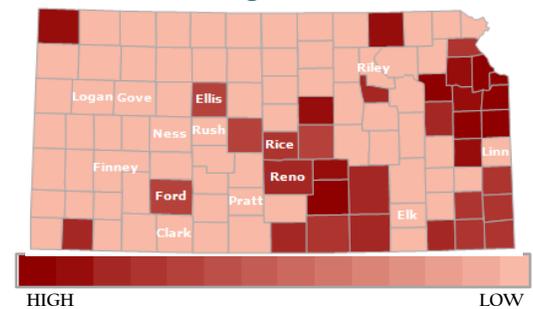
## Building Permits - Residential Housing Units



These are the total number of new Residential units which include single family, two family, and multi family homes.

Source: City of Manhattan Code Services Department

## Foreclosure Filings



### Riley County Foreclosures:

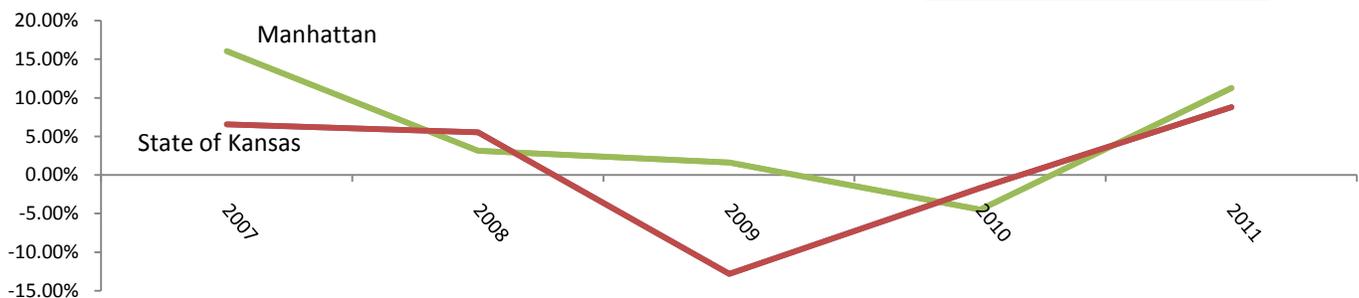
- 2007 Filings: 68
- 2008 Filings: 59
- 2009 Filings: 70
- 2010 Filings: 85

There are three basic levels to foreclosures:  
 Level 1 - resolved by the lender and borrower  
 Level 2 - property sold as a "short sale"  
 Level 3 - property set up for auction  
 The outcome of each of the filings in Riley County are unknown.

Source: Riley County Appraiser's Office  
 Realty Trac - [www.realtytrac.com](http://www.realtytrac.com)

## Sales Tax Increase (Decrease) over previous year to date

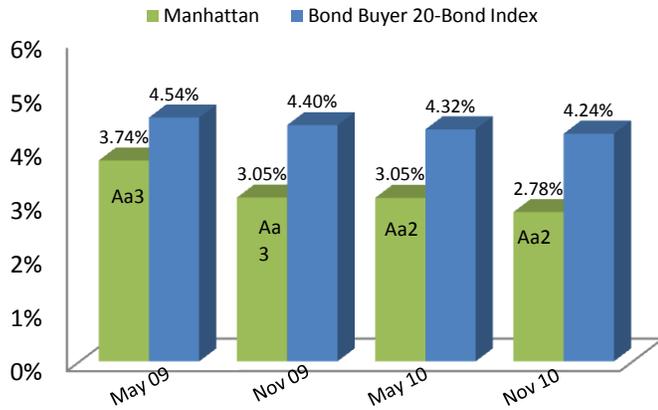
[Please visit our website for more detailed monthly sales tax information.](#)



Source: [www.ksrevenue.org](http://www.ksrevenue.org)

## Financial Outlook

### Municipal Bond Ratings & Rates



Source: City of Manhattan Bond Sale Records  
[www.munibondadvisor.com/rating.htm](http://www.munibondadvisor.com/rating.htm)

### Moody's Bond Rating

Ratings are assessed on the following factors: economy, debt structure, financial condition, demographics, and management practices of the governing body and administration.

"Aaa" - Best Quality

"Aa" - High Quality by all standards;

"A" - Upper medium grade

"Baa" - Medium grade obligations; they are neither highly protected nor poorly secured.

Bonds in the Aa, A, and Baa are also assigned a "1", "2", or "3" based on strength. "1" as the strongest and "3" as the weakest. Please visit the link below to view the City of Manhattan bond rating reports.

<http://www.ci.manhattan.ks.us/index.aspx?NID=1503>

## Manhattan in the news..

[Bloomberg Businessweek: The Money's in Manhattan. Manhattan, KS](#)

[Job Growth in U.S. Metros](#)

[Forbes List #3 Best Places for Business and Careers](#)

[Business Facilities #2 Economic Growth Potential](#)

## Other Sources of Additional Statistics:

<http://www.city-data.com/city/Manhattan-Kansas.html>



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