

## Climate Action for Kansas

Kansas is a great place to live, and I know we all want to keep it that way; but the reality is that things are changing. According to the Kansas Health Institutes 'recent [Policy Brief: Health and Climate Change in Kansas](#) "climate change is a substantial concern in Kansas" and "projected climate changes are likely to have negative impacts on human health." The KHI Brief highlights the health conditions most likely to be exacerbated by climate change in Kansas.

As a result of climate change, the major environmental effects expected in Kansas are increasing temperatures and more variable precipitation. Hotter, drier conditions affect the major areas of air quality concern: ozone (smog) and particulate matter (PM), increase rates of cardiovascular diseases, respiratory diseases and other chronic conditions. A longer period for pollen production is expanding the allergy season and worsening asthma symptoms. Warmer temperatures increase the length of the season for insect vectors, such as mosquitoes and ticks, of transmissible diseases.

The good news is that solutions exist in every sector and all levels to build resilience, make stronger, healthier communities, develop economic opportunities, and safeguard the future of our state. To protect Kansans health, we must take climate action.

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